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### ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

**Ph.D. in Agricultural and Extension Education**, May 2009, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania

**Emphasis Areas:** Educational Processes, Leadership and Research

**Dissertation:** "Barriers to Enrollment in Colleges of Agriculture: Perspectives of Currently Enrolled Students at 1862 Land-Grant Institutions." Advisor: Dr. Connie Baggett

**M.Ed. in Agricultural Education**, August 2004, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas  
Emphasis Area: Educational Administration

**B.S. in Agricultural Leadership, Education & Communications**, May 2002, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Prairie View A&M University – Prairie View, TX  
**Program Manager (College of Engineering)** November 2010 to Present

University of Texas Health Science Center – Houston, TX  
**Research Assistant II (Office of Cultural and Institutional Diversity)** December 2009 to May 2010

The Pennsylvania State University – University Park, PA  
**Instructor (Leadership Education – Agricultural and Extension Education)** December 2008 to May 2009

The Pennsylvania State University – University Park, PA  
**Graduate Research Assistant (Agricultural and Extension Education)** August 2006 to May 2009

Texas A&M University – College Station, TX  
**Outreach Program Coordinator (Department of Student Financial Aid)** May 2004 to August 2006

Texas A&M University – College Station, TX  
**Regional Outreach Counselor (Department of Student Financial Aid)** January 2004 to May 2004

Texas A&M University – College Station, TX  
**Academic Scholarships Recruiter (Honors Programs & Academic Scholarships)** May 2002 to January 2004

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Association for Agricultural Education (AAAE), 2006 – present
- Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE), 2007 – present
- Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANRRS), 2004- present
- Texas Association of College Admissions Counselors (TACAC), 2004 – 2006
- Gamma Sigma Delta, 2001 – present

## SERVICE MEMBERSHIPS

- AEE Graduate Student Association (Penn State University), Vice-President, Member, 2006 - 2009
- Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA) The Pennsylvania State University, 2006 - 2009
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., President, Vice President, Member 2000 - present

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

AEE 465: Leadership Practices: Power, Influence and Impact, Spring 2009

### ***Instructor***

INTAG 497D: Ag Development in Russia, Spring 2009

### ***Student Assignment Evaluator***

- International Student Papers

AEE 520: Scientific Method in the Study of Agricultural and Extension Education, Fall 2008

### ***Guest Lecturer***

- Sampling Procedures and Techniques

AEE 311: Developing Youth Leadership through Organization and Program Structure, 2007-2008

### ***Guest Lecturer***

- Recruitment of Underrepresented Youth

## REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATION

Ingram, P.D., **Smith-Hollins, C.**, & Radhakrishna, R. (2009). Impact of yearlong 4-H Japanese internship experience on United States participants. *Journal of International Agricultural and Extension Education*, 16(1), 15-30.

## REFEREED PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Smith-Hollins, C.M. & Baggett, C.D. (2007). *Perceptions of underserved populations about agriculture*. Paper presentation at the Faculty Diversity and Environmental Justice Research Symposium, Ann Arbor, MI.

## REFEREED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Smith-Hollins, C., Baggett, C.D., Ingram, P.D. (2009, January). Perceptions of currently enrolled students about agriculture. *Poster presentation at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, HI.*

Hollins, C.M., Elbert, C.D., Larke, A. (2006). An assessment of females in agriculture science: An FFA perspective. *Poster presented at the 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, Orlando, FL.*

## PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

National MANRRS Professional Development Conference, Indianapolis, IN/Presenter	2009
Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, HI/Presenter	2009
Spring Statewide In-Service Program (Pennsylvania)	2008
National MANRRS Professional Development Conference, Birmingham, AL	2007
Spring Statewide In-Service Program (Pennsylvania)/Presenter – Character Education	2007
Southern Agricultural Education Research Meeting, Orlando, FL/Presenter	2006
MANRRS Region IV Workshop	2005
National Conference on People of Color in Higher Education	2005
National Conference on Student Recruitment and Retention (Noel-Levitz)	2002-2003
Retention Excellence Award for Century Scholars Program (Noel-Levitz)/Presenter	2003

## HONORS AND AWARDS

▪ Bunton-Waller Graduate Assistantship	2006-2009
▪ Andrew V. Kozak Memorial Fellowship – Phi Delta Kappa (Penn State)	2008
▪ Distinguished Student Certificate (Texas A&M University – College of Agricultural and Life Sciences)	2002
▪ Certificate of Appreciation – A. Maceo Smith High School Career Day	2002
▪ Certificate of Appreciation – Century Scholar’s Ambassador Training	2002
▪ Graduate cum laude, Texas A&M University	2002
▪ University Honors Nomination (Texas A&M University)	2001