

# Autumn Raynor

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## Education

In-Process	<b>Rice University, Houston, TX</b>	Doctoral Student in Sociology
2020-2022	<b>University of Houston, Houston, TX</b>	Graduate Certificate in Africana Studies
2003- 2007	<b>University of Houston, Houston, TX</b>	Master of Arts in Speech Communication
1998-2002	<b>University of Houston, Houston TX</b>	Bachelor of Arts in Corporate and Organizational Communication

## Research Interests

- Classroom Racism
- Hegemonic Whiteness
- Qualitative Methods
- Textual Analysis
- Visual Sociology
- White Womanhood

## Research Publications

- Nostra Aetate, Inshallah: Muhammad Ali in Community Dialogue with Catholic Communicators. Chapter in *Muhammad Ali in Africana Cultural Memory*. Eds. J. Conyers, C. Temple. Anthem Press 2022
- Anti-Black Ontological Violence in Undergraduate Textbooks.” Chapter in *African Americans in Higher Education*. Eds. J. Conyers, K. Thompson, C. Edwards. Myers Education Press 2020
- The Black Spaces Project: Africana Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Responses to the Presence of White Bodies in African American-Oriented Social Spaces. Imhotep Journal of Africology PA: Temple University 2019

## Research Experiences

- Rice University Racism and Racial Experiences (RARE) Workgroup Graduate Research Coordinator 2022-2023

## Research Presentations

- “Dr. Shelby Faye Lewis: Genealogies of Knowledge and Inter-relational Knowledge Production. Founder profile presented at African Heritage Studies Association Conference October 2020
- Cultural Appropriation and Exploitation in Educational Environments: Hip Hop Material Culture and Identity in K-12 Institutions” Roundtable Chair and paper presenter, National Council of Black Studies conference. Atlanta, GA March 2020 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rT4clwP6Kx4&t=3408s>
- “A Thousand Words: Africana Perceptions of Image-Driven Sequelae” Research paper presented at National Council of Black Studies conference. Atlanta, GA March 2020
- “Intrapersonal Narration Reliability Among African American English Communicators” Research paper presented at National Council of Black Studies conference. Atlanta, GA March 2020

- “Interfaith Africana Funerary Traditions in the Public Memorialization of Hip Hop Personalities” Quantitative research paper presented at National Council of Black Studies conference. Atlanta, GA March 2020
- “A Qualitative Study of Africana Alumni Perceptions of Community and Ownership in Houston’s Third Ward Universities” paper presentation, University of Houston-Downtown Reflecting Black Symposium Houston, TX October 2019. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YTQErPS5nYU&t=711s>
- “Vertically Integrated: The Impact of African American Studies Courses on Ontological Manipulation in Educational Settings.” Roundtable Discussion of mixed methods research paper at National Council of Black Studies conference. New Orleans, LA March 2019
- “Black Spaces Project” Poster presentation of mixed methods research paper. Princeton University. Princeton, NJ October 2018
- “An investigation of the impact of language variation on African American English-speaking organizational newcomers.” Interpolation of Master’s Thesis Presented at Houston Africana Studies Psychology Symposium, March 2008, Houston, TX.

## **Teaching Experience**

### **2022-2023 Rice University Teaching Assistant**

- Supported RISE first-year experience program for URM students
- Supported Intro to African and African American Studies AAAS 200

### **2011- 2022 Houston Community College Northwest Professor of Speech Communication**

- Faculty Academy Facilitator
- Taught Intro to Speech Communication SPCH 1311
- Taught Public Speaking SPCH 1315
- Taught Interpersonal Speech SPCH 1318
- Taught Business & Professional Speech Communication SPCH 1321

### **2003-2022 University of Houston Lecturer, African American Studies and Communication**

- Taught Slavery and Race Relations AAS 3350
- Taught Twentieth Century Black Leaders AAS 4373
- Taught African American Sociolinguistics AAS 3340
- Taught Intro to Public Speaking COMM 1305
- Taught African American Communication and Identities AAS 3394

### **2008-2011 Lone Star College Adjunct Professor of Speech Communication**

- Taught Intro to Speech Communication SPCH 1311
- Taught Public Speaking SPCH 1315
- Taught Interpersonal Speech SPCH 1318
- Taught Business Speech SPCH 1321

## **Awards**

- 2022 STaRT@Rice Statistical Training and Research Techniques Scholarship Recipient
- 2020 Recipient National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Alpha Pi Teaching Excellence Award
- 2020 Houston Community College Social Justice and Beyond Faculty Advisory Group
- Elizabeth Hale Calderon Memorial Scholarship
- University of Houston School of Communication Professional Promise Award

## **Associations**

- Association of Black Sociologists
- Texas Community College Teachers Association
- National Council of Black Studies
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated

## **Community Engagement**

- TEDx ED Tomball Talk: Recipe for a Right Mind: Hip Hop, Du Bois' Duality & German Philosophy  
[https://youtu.be/33jTw\\_gHgOE](https://youtu.be/33jTw_gHgOE)
- Workshop Facilitator: Inclusive Excellence: Diversity Communication Training January 2019 Houston, TX
- Workshop Facilitator Rhetoric of the Republic. Houston Center for Civic Engagement April 2018
- Host and Discussion Moderator for The Reel Film Series, Houston Community College: Won't You Be My Neighbor 2018, John Lewis, Get in the Way 2017, The Children's March 2016, Muhammad Ali 2015, Fruitvale Station 2014
- Moderator, Lone Star College CyFair panel discussion for *The Quadroon Ball* September, 2010
- Facilitator, Lone Star College System Symposium on Classroom Research, Assessment, Teaching, and Engagement Strategies. October 2010