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### **Areas of Specialization**

- Comparative and historical sociology
- International Migration
- Race and Ethnicity
- Qualitative Methods

### **Education**

**2003** Ph.D. Sociology. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI.

**1998** M.S. Sociology. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI.

**1994** B.A. Sociology. Yale University, Distinction in Sociology Major.  
Awarded the Mildred Priest Frank Prize in Sociology.

### **Academic Positions and Appointments**

**2018-present** Rev. Joseph H. Fichter, S.J. Distinguished Professor in Social Sciences,  
Loyola University-New Orleans

**2010-present** Associate Professor of Sociology, Loyola University-New  
Orleans, New Orleans, LA.

**2014-present** Director, Social Justice Scholars program

**2003-2010** Assistant Professor of Sociology, Loyola University-New  
Orleans, New Orleans, LA.

**2007-2012** Chair, African and African American Studies Program, Loyola  
University-New Orleans

## Publications

### Book

2017

Parham, Angel A. *American Routes: Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race*. New York: Oxford University Press.

- Co-winner Allan Sharlin Memorial Book Award, Social Science History Association, 2018
- Co-winner, Barrington Moore Prize in Comparative and Historical Sociology, American Sociological Association, 2018
- Honorable Mention, Thomas & Znaniecki Best Book Award, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association, 2018
- Focus of Author-Meets-Critic panel at the Social Science History Association, 2018, Phoenix, AZ

*American Routes* provides a comparative and historical analysis of the integration of white and free black refugees from nineteenth century St. Domingue to Louisiana and then examines the racial and cultural experiences of their descendants two hundred years later. The case goes counter to the usual practice of using the migration of Europeans (eg. Italians, Irish, Jews, etc) to the U.S. in the nineteenth century as the source of the primary historical case studies sociologists use as the baseline to theorize today's immigrant integration. There has not, until now, been a sociological examination of a large group of free black nineteenth century immigrants that could provide a more accurate baseline for considering the migration and integration of today's immigrants of color.

### Journal Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes

2018

Parham, Angel Adams. "Congo Square as a *Lieu de Souvenir* in New Orleans: Race, Place, and the Complexities of Blackness", for *Sweet Spots: Interstitial Spaces in New Orleans Architecture and Culture* eds. Teresa Toulouse and Barbara Ewell, University Press of Mississippi.

2015

Parham, Angel A. and Danielle Allen. "Achieving Rooted Cosmopolitanism in a Digital Age", pp.254-272 in *From Voice to Influence: Understanding Citizenship in a Digital Age*, Danielle Allen and Jennifer S. Light, eds. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

2012

Parham, Angel A. "Caribbean and Creole in New Orleans", pp.56-76 in *American Creoles: The Francophone Caribbean and the American South*, Martin Munro and Celia Britton, eds. Liverpool University Press.

2011

Parham, Angel A. "Language, Identity and Public Sphere in Haiti's Diaspora: The evolution of the Haitian Creolists' Internet Network", pp.247-264 in *Geographies of the Haitian Diaspora*, Regine Ostine Jackson, ed. Routledge.

- 2008** Parham, Angel A. "Race, Memory, and Family History" in *Social Identities*, 14 (1): 13-32.
- 2005** Parham, Angel A. "Internet, Place, and Public Sphere in Diaspora Communities" in *Diaspora*, 14[2/3]: 349-380.
- 2005** Parham, Angel A. "Comment on Zhou Yongming's 'Living on the Cyber Border' in *Current Anthropology*, 46 [5]: 797.
- 2004** Parham, Angel A. "Diaspora, Community and Communication: Internet Use in Transnational Haiti," in *Global Networks: A Journal of Transnational Affairs*, 4 (2): 199-217.

### **Journal Articles Under Review**

Parham, Angel Adams. "A Racial Re-Framing of *Modernity and the Jews*", submitted for special edition of *Journal of Classical Sociology*, Symposium on *Modernity and the Jews* by Chad A. Goldberg.

### **Journal Articles in Progress**

Parham, Angel Adams. "The *Lieu de Souvenir* as Historical Lens" invited contribution for *History of the Present*. Estimated submission date, Spring 2019.

Parham, Angel Adams. "The Lost Case of St. Domingue Refugees in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Louisiana...and Why Sociologists Need to Recover It." To Be submitted to *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. Estimated Submission Date, Spring 2019.

### **Book Reviews**

- 2018** Parham, Angel A. Review of *Fault Lines: Views Across Haiti's Divide* by Beverly Bell, *The Black Scholar*, 48 (3):68-70.
- 2018** Parham, Angel A. Review of *Slavery and Silence: Latin America and the U.S. Slave Debate* by Paul D. Naish, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 59 (3): 258-260.

### **Book Projects in Progress**

#### **A Place to Remember: Uncovering Another America**

With this study I aim to present an alternative reading of U.S. history and national identity by examining and comparing lieux de souvenir — sites whose histories allow us to peel away the layers of seemingly settled places and identities in order to recover the mixture and hybridity that have become submerged beneath dominant narratives of who we are as U.S. Americans.

**Mirrored Lives: Toward a New Conversation on Race, Class  
and Inequality**

With this work, I use the capabilities approach elaborated by Amartya Sen and Martha Nussbaum to compare and contrast the impacts of race and inequality in the wealthiest and poorest countries in the Western hemisphere: the U.S. and Haiti. The comparison involves examining the histories of race and disadvantage in each area and documenting the lives and life chances of children and families in low-income African-American households in New Orleans compared to those of persons with a comparable standard of living in Haiti. The “Mirrored Lives” study responds to research which shows the surprising and disturbing resonances between the diminished life chances of low income African Americans and those of disadvantaged persons living in developing countries. Fieldwork and data collection began with families in Haiti and New Orleans in July 2017 and will extend through December 2020. (See the following for research by Shaefer et. al. that illustrates these similarities:

[http://npc.umich.edu/publications/working\\_papers/?publication\\_id=269&](http://npc.umich.edu/publications/working_papers/?publication_id=269&)

**Occasional Paper Published in Online Series**

- 2012 Parham, Angel A. “Who Are We? What Louisiana Can Teach Us About Being American”, Occasional Paper #44, School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study. Available at: <http://www.sss.ias.edu/publications/occasional>

**Academic Awards, Honors and Fellowships**

- 2018 Co-winner, Allan Sharlin Memorial Book Award, Social Science History Association, for *American Routes: Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race*, (Oxford, 2017)
- 2018 Co-winner, Barrington Moore Prize in Comparative and Historical Sociology, American Sociological Association for *American Routes: Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race*, (Oxford, 2017)
- 2018 Honorable mention Thomas & Znaniecki Best Book Award, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association for *American Routes: Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race*, (Oxford, 2017)
- 2018 Community Service Award from the College of Arts and Sciences for excellence in community-based teaching and research.
- 2018 Dr. Jon Altschul Faculty Senate Award for Community Engagement for connecting research and teaching to the New Orleans community.

- 2017** LA Creole Recognition Award for “extraordinary contributions to the enduring good of our community as teacher, author, historian, and promoter of social justice in our community and beyond” for my book *American Routes: Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race*.
- 2017** Marquette faculty research fellowship, Loyola University
- 2011** Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ, Member of the School of Social Science, 2011-2012 academic year.
- 2006-2007** “Legacies of Haiti in Louisiana”. Loyola Faculty Development Grant.
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- 1998** Global Studies Travel Grant, UW-Madison, research in Haiti
- 1998** Institute for the Study of World Politics Travel Grant, summer research in Haiti
- 1997** Global Studies Scholarship, UW-Madison
- 1995-1997** Consortium on Institutional Cooperation, Fellowship
- 1994-1995** Fulbright Grant, IIE-Tanzania

**Conference Papers and Presentations (Last 10 Years Only)**

- 2018** Critic for Author Meets Critic Session for *Modernity and the Jews in Western Social Thought* by Chad Goldberg, Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD.
- 2017** “Enduring Ties: Haiti’s Lasting Influence on the U.S.”, presented at the 2017 meeting of the Haitian Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- 2017** “Region, Race and History: Racial Palimpsests in the U.S. and Beyond”, presented at the 2017 meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada.
- 2016** “St. Domingue Refugees in Cuba and New Orleans”, presented at the 2016 meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2015** “Race, Integration and Hospitality”, presented at the 2015 meeting of the Public Philosophy Network, San Francisco, CA.

- 2015** “Congo Square as a Lieux de Souvenir in New Orleans: Race, Place, and the Complexity of Blackness”, presented at the 2015 meeting of the Southern American Studies Association, Atlanta, GA.
- 2014** “Spaces Between: Racial and Ethnic (Mis)Conceptions and Transformations”, presented at the 2014 meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2013** “Toward a New Conversation on Immigration, Race and Cultural Difference”, presented at the 2013 meeting of the Public Philosophy Network, Atlanta, GA.
- 2013** “Creoles, Americans and Dissident Racial Spaces”, presented at the 2013 meeting of the American Sociological Association in New York, NY.
- 2012** “From Old to New Assimilation”, presented at the 2012 meeting of the American Sociological Association in Denver, CO.
- 2011** “Reconsidering Race and Nation: Regional Racial Histories in the U.S.”, presented at the 2011 meeting of the American Sociological Association in Las Vegas, NV.
- 2010** “Caribbean and Creole in New Orleans”, presented at the Francophone Caribbean and North America Conference in Tallahassee, FL.
- 2009** “Memories in Black and White: Dealing with Slavery in Family Histories”, presented at the 2009 meeting of the American Sociological association in San Francisco, CA.
- 2009** “Region, Race, and Memory: Racial Formations in Louisiana”, presented at the 2009 meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2008** “Genealogy, Race, and Ethnicity: Coming to Terms with Unequal Pasts”, presented at the 2008 meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Richmond, Virginia.
- 2007** “Race, Memory and Family History” presented at the 2007 meeting of the American Sociological Association in New York, New York.
- 2007** “Ancestors and Social Memory: Discovering St. Domingue/Haiti in

the Family” presented at Black Diaspora in the South and the Caribbean, 4<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Program in Louisiana and Caribbean Studies of the Louisiana State University, March 2007, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

**Invited Presentations for Scholarly Events**

- 2018** “Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race”, Colloquium Series, James Weldon Johnson Institute for the Study of Race and Difference, Emory University.
- 2018** “Racial Palimpsests and the Transformation of Race”, Sociology Department Colloquium, New School for Social Research.
- 2018** Panelist for opening luncheon at the American Council for Québec Studies on the topic “The Meaning of New Orleans History at 300”. New Orleans, LA.
- 2018** “The Lost Case of St. Domingue Refugees in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Louisiana...and Why Sociologists Need to Recover It”, Sociology Department Colloquium, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2016** “The Racial Palimpsest: New Analytical Lenses for Studying Race and Migration”, University of Wisconsin-Madison, co-sponsored by the Sociology Department and the Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies (LACIS) program.
- 2015** Panel member on the topic “What is Creole?” for the 2015 meeting of the Caribbean Studies Association, New Orleans, LA.
- 2012** “Prospective Cosmopolitans: Imagining and Enacting Solidarity Before and After Cyberspace”, invited speaker for graduate student conference at the Center for Humanities at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2007** “Unequal Memories: Race and family history in Louisiana”, invited paper presented at the Drew University Sociology speakers series for recent PhDs., Madison, New Jersey, March 2007.
- 2005** “Beyond the Borders of the Nation-State: Intersections of Internet and Place in the Construction of Diaspora Identities and Publics”, Invited paper for the Routing Diasporas Conference, Center for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Invited Scholarly Activity for Media and Public Events**

- 2018** Invited to participate in the joint National Parks Service (NPS) and Organization of American Historians (OAH) scholars roundtable for the Jean-Lafitte National Historic Park and Preserve and the Jazz National Historic Park in Louisiana as part of the NPS process of setting its five year vision for interpretation, education and strategic planning.
- 2018** Invited by the Southern History Project to do a workshop for high school teachers who will be teaching their students the historical connections between Haiti and Louisiana.
- 2018** “Creoles Born to Europeans, Africans in Louisiana”, for the *Clarion Herald*, March 22, 2018.  
<https://clarionherald.org/2018/03/22/tricentennial-thursday-creoles-born-to-europeans-africans-in-louisiana/>
- 2017** Interviewed for WWNOs history feature, Tripod, New Orleans at 300, “Haiti and New Orleans: Is the Feeling Mutual?”  
<http://wwno.org/post/haiti-new-orleans-feeling-mutual> . I am featured from 28:15-29:55 in the piece.
- 2017** “Caribbean Influence on Race in New Orleans”, panel talk for Louisiana Creole Research Association conference.
- 2017** “The Caribbean Influence on Louisiana’s Past and Present”, talk delivered for the USDA’s Southern Regional Research Center in celebration of Caribbean American Heritage Month.
- 2017** “Race, Justice and Welcoming the Other as Christ”, talk for the Department of Theology, University of the Holy Cross, New Orleans, March 21, 2017.
- 2017** Led workshop on “Seeing and Understanding Systemic Injustice” for the Southeast District Conference of the EFCA. March 2, 2017.
- 2017** Co-led workshop “Promoting Justice and Reconciliation” with Ruth Evans for the Southeast District Conference of the EFCA. March 2, 2017.
- 2014** Radio interview by Monica Pierre for the WWL-AM Community Matters show. Interviewed with Phyllis Landrieu concerning the work of the Childhood and Family Learning Foundation. Aired April 27, 2014.
- 2013** Television interview by Norman Robinson for “The Hot Seat” on WDSU. Interviewed with Phyllis Landrieu concerning the work of the



Childhood and Family Learning Foundation. Aired October 1, 2013.  
Available at: <http://www.wdsu.com/news/local-news/new-orleans/Hot-Seat-Helping-children-succeed/22217992>

- 2013** Radio interview by Kali-Ahset Amen Strayhorn for “Moving the Center” on Radio Free Georgia. Interview focused on research concerning Creoles and race in Louisiana. Aired September 20, 2013.
- 2011** “Beautifully Woven: Caribbean Strands in Louisiana’s Cultural Tapestry”, talk delivered for the USDA’s Southern Regional Research Center in celebration of Caribbean American Heritage Month.
- 2010** Television appearance on the evening news for WWL, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Interviewed for a piece on the situation in Haiti following the earthquake.
- 2009** “Toussaint L’Ouverture and the Revolution in St. Domingue” presented at opening of painting exhibit by artist Mary Anne de Boisblanc, entitled: “The Art of Family” in March at Tulane University, New Orleans, LA.
- 2008** Television appearance on the morning news for WWL with Sally-Ann Roberts. Invited to discuss the significance of Barack Obama’s 2008 win in the election for president.
- 2006** Curator for “Celebrating Tremé, Celebrating Juneteenth”, an exhibit at the New Orleans African American Museum. This involved putting together an educational exhibit and inviting guest speakers to address the topic of Juneteenth.
- 2006** Panel member for “The Working Poor of New Orleans After the Storm”, Part of the series “After the Storm: Four Nights of Conversation on Post-Katrina New Orleans”, sponsored by Loyola University-New Orleans.

### **Professional Associations**

American Sociological Association  
Social Science History Association  
Southern Sociological Society  
Haitian Studies Association

### **Languages**

**Haitian Creole** Proficient reading, writing, and conversation

**French** Reading knowledge

### **Service to the University**

- 2018-present** Serving on the College Rank and Tenure Committee, College of Arts and Sciences
- 2017-present** Chair, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- 2013-present** Serving on the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- 2004-present** Serving on the African and African American Studies Committee.
- 2007-2012** Director, African and African American Studies Program.
- 2009-2011** Serving on the Common Curriculum Implementation Task Force (CCITF).
- 2009-2011** Chair of the sub-committee on Mission for the CCITF.
- 2009** Chair of the Sub-committee on Implementation for the Common Curriculum Review Committee.
- 2007-2009** Served on Common Curriculum Review Task Force
- 2007-2008** Served on the Center for International Education Committee for the Internationalization of the University.
- 2007-2008** Advisor for the Black Student Union
- 2006-2009** Served on the College of Social Sciences Curriculum Committee
- 2008** Member of Interim Affirmative Action/Diversity Committee
- 2004-2005** Served on Committee for International Education Policy.

### **Service to the Community**

- 2017-present** Advisory Board Member, Southern History Project, which “develops comprehensive curricula for Southern classrooms, connecting the history and challenges of the American South to those of the global South.”  
<http://southernhistoryproject.org/about/>
- 2014-present** Co-founder and Executive Director of the Nyansa Classical Community. The program works with African American children from low-income communities, staying with and investing intensively in the same group of young people from the starting age of 4-6 and continuing into early adulthood. <http://conta.cc/2tmNVrQ>

- 2007-present** Board member of Vision of Hope Ministries (VOHM) located in Cap Haitien, Haiti. VOHM is involved in faith-based community development work in Northern Haiti.
- 2010-2015** Member of Steering Committee for the creation of the Université Internationale en Haiti. This committee was exploring the creation of a new university in northern Haiti.
- 2013-2014** Board member of the Childhood and Family Learning Foundation of New Orleans, LA. Now re-named the Health and Educational Alliance of Louisiana (HEAL).
- 2007-2008** Advisory Committee member of the Urban Impact Leadership Academy, a church-based alternative high school for at-risk youth located in Central City, New Orleans.
- 2004-2006** Member of the United States-based committee for the University of Fondwa in Haiti.