

RESUME – KENNETH L. ROBINSON

PERSONAL DATA

Associate Professor and Extension Specialist
Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice
Clemson University
Clemson, SC 29634
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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Cornell University, 2001, Development Sociology
M.P.A., University of Texas at Austin, 1988, Public Affairs
B.S., Clemson University, 1984, Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clemson University, 2012 - present, Associate Professor of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, 2011- 12, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, and 2005-11, Assistant Professor of Applied Economics and Statistics

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Fall 2018, Economics Research Service, Visiting Scholar, Washington, DC

Clemson University, Extension Specialist, Sandhill Research and Education Center, Columbia, SC, 2005-

Cornell University, 2006-07, Visiting Assistant Professor; 2001-05, Research Associate, Department of Applied Economics and Management

Texas Governor's Washington, DC, Office of State-Federal Relations, 1993-94, Housing and Community Development Specialist

U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1990-1993, Economics Research Service, Assistant to the Director for Policy and 1988-90, Presidential Management Intern (PMI)

South Carolina Coastal Council, 1985-86, Planner

CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

SC Humanities and Smithsonian Institution, State Scholar (2017 – 2019), currently serve as subject expert for the design, implementation and evaluation of a statewide project featuring exhibit *Crossroads: Change in Rural America* co-sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service.

U.S. Department of Agriculture National Research Initiative, University of Missouri, Impact of Community Leadership Education in the New Economy,

(2009), conducted focus group interviews to assess the community effects of leadership education programs for four treatment counties in South Carolina.

Cornell Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Center for Sustainable Enterprise, and S.C. Johnson Foundation, Racine, Wisconsin (October 19-22, 2004), designed strategies for “base of the pyramid” economies.

MEMBERSHIPS

Member, Planners Network, (2013-)
Member, Southern Rural Sociological Association (2010-)
Member, American Sociological Association (2005-)
Member, Rural Sociological Society, RSS (1995-)
Member, South Carolina Economic Developers Association, SCEDA (2006-2009)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Land-Grant Representative-Elect, Rural Sociological Society Executive Council, (2021-)
Participant, Coming Together for Racial Understanding, Southern Region Community Resource Development Program Leadership Network (2020 – 2021)
Participant, George Mason University/NSF Workshop for Using the Digital Archive “Who Gets Accepted and Who Gets Rejected?”, National Science Foundation, 2019
Member, Community Impact Fund Grants Review Committee, SC Association for Community Economic Development (2016-)
Co-Chair, Annual Meeting Program Committee, Rural Sociological Society, (2016-2017)
Mentor, University Professional Internship and Co-op Program, Community Studies Internship (2014 - present)
Reviewer, Journal of Rural Social Sciences (2016-)
Executive Council, Rural Sociological Society, 2014-2016
President, Southern Rural Sociological Association, (2015-16)
Chair, Membership Committee, Rural Sociological Society, (2014-2016)
Vice President, Southern Rural Sociological Association, (2014-15)
Program Chair, Southern Rural Sociological Association, (2013-14)
Program Chair-Elect, Southern Rural Sociological Association, (2012-13)
Invited Faculty, Liberty Fellowship Summit (2011)
Advisory Committee Member, Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development (2010-)
Clemson University Small Farm Contact, US Department of Agriculture – National Institute of Food and Agriculture (2010-)
Compliance Academy Advisory Committee Member, SC Association of Community Development Corporations (2010-14)
Reviewer, US Department of Agriculture - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) Agricultural Prosperity for Small and Medium-Sized Farms Review Panel, CSREES (2009)

Selected Presentations Reviewer, Annual Meetings of the American Agricultural Economics Association (2007)
Member, Research Team, Southern Rural Development Council, Committee on Strengthening Citizen-Centered Governance in the Rural South (2008-12)
Member, Carolina Farm Stewardship Association (2008-)
Reviewer, Journal of Ecotourism (2008)
Member, Rural Sociological Society, Awards Committee (2007-10)
Reviewer, Rural & Community Development Panel, Small Business Innovation Research Program, CSREES (2007-2008)
Participant, Research Conference on Entrepreneurship among Minorities and Women, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Kenan-Flagler Business School (2006)
Participant, Entrepreneurship Bootcamp, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Kenan-Flagler Business School (2005)
Market Matters, Inc., Pretoria, South Africa, Board of Directors (2008-13)
Market Matters, Inc., Ithaca, NY, Board of Directors, Governance Committee (2003-11)
Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, AL, Advisory Board Member (2002-2006)

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Monographs

Lori A. Dickes and Kenneth L. Robinson Chapter 30 Rural Entrepreneurship in Rural America in a Globalizing World, edited by Conner Bailey, Leif Jensen and Elizabeth Ransom (2015), Morganton, West Virginia: West Virginia University Press.

Tihanyi, Krisztina and Kenneth L. Robinson. Chapter 1 Setting the Scene in Case Studies of South Africa's Emerging Farmers and Agribusinesses, edited by Edward Mabaya, Krisztina Tihanyi, Mohammed Karaan, and Johan van Rooyen. Stellenbosch, South Africa: SunMedia. October 2011.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Edward Abrokwah*, Iris Liang, Scott** Sanders*, Michael Wang** and Kytson McNell* The Arkansas Delta Produce Marketing Association: Rural Entrepreneurship in the U.S. Delta Region. Chapter 11 in The Handbook of Research on Entrepreneurship in Agriculture and Rural Development, edited by Gry Alsos, Sara Carter, Elisabet Ljunggren, and Friederike Welter. (2011), Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, Inc.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Ralph D. Christy, and Ntam Baharanyi (editors), *Empowering Rural Communities through Entrepreneurship: Experiences from the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions*, (2004), USDA Rural Development, Washington, DC.

Refereed Journal Publications

Robinson, K. L. and David W. Hughes, "Towards Reform: A Du Boisian Examination of Food Insecurity and Rural Development in the southern United States," *Social Problems* (Revise & Resubmit)

Robinson, K. L. "Food Deserts in Upstate South Carolina: How do We Both Ethically and Sustainably Feed the Region's Food Insecure?," *Journal of Healthcare, Science and the Humanities*, Vol. 1, No. 1 (2015).

Dickes, Lori and Kenneth L. Robinson, "An Institutional Perspective on Rural Entrepreneurship," *American Journal of Entrepreneurship*, Vol. 7, No. 2 (2014).

Dickes, Lori and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Community Partnerships as a Tool to Reduce Regional Labor Gaps: A South Carolina Regional Case Study," *Journal of the Community Development Society* 2012.

Slocum, Sue*, Kenneth L. Robinson, and Kenneth F. Backman, "Tourism Pathways to Prosperity: Perspectives on the informal economy in Tanzania" *Tourism Analysis: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, Vol. 16, No. 1/2 (2011).

Dickes, Lori A.* and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Enhancing Cluster Effects to Reduce Regional Labor-Supply Gaps: An Example in South Carolina," *Journal of Extension* (October 2010).

Young, Frank W. and Kenneth L. Robinson, "An Ecological Regional Analysis of South Carolina," *Social Indicators Research* (August 2010). (IF 1.743)

Robinson, K.L., K. Wilson, C.E. Carpio and D. Hughes, "Linking Sustainable Agriculture and Community Development: The Lowcountry Food Bank's Use of Locally Grown Foods," *Journal of the Community Development Society*, Vol. 38, No. 3, Fall 2007.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Wylie D. Dossie, and Ralph D. Christy. "Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development as a Rural Development Strategy." *Journal of Southern Rural Sociology*, Vol. 20, No. 2, 2004.

Rainey, D.V., Robinson, K. L., Allen, I., and Christy, R.D., "Essential Forms of Capital for Sustainable Community Development," *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, (August 2003). (IF 2.457)

Robinson, K. L., T. A. Lyson, and R. D. Christy, "Civic Community Approaches to Rural Development in the South: Economic Growth with Prosperity," *Journal of Applied and Agricultural Economics*, (August 2002).

In Progress

Robinson, K. L., Carter, A. and Harvey, M., editors. *Race in Rural America*. Morgantown, WV: West Virginia University Press.

Tonjuk, Joseph* and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Leadership Development and Service Learning: A Case Study Of The Human Ecology Social Impact Assessment," *Journal of Experiential Education* (In preparation)

Bruce Ransom, Bruce and Kenneth L Robinson, "Federalism, Race, and Rural Development in South Carolina" in *Race and Racism in Rural America*, edited by K.L. Robinson, A. Carter, M. Harvey and K. Tanaka, Morgantown, West Virginia: West Virginia University Press. (In preparation)

Kenneth L. Robinson "Exploring SRSA's Role in Leading the Conversation toward Positive Social Action and Change across the South: Pivotal Dialogue and Sociological Deconstruction of Today's Critical Issues." *Journal of Rural Social Sciences* (In preparation)

Robinson, Kenneth L and Bruce Ransom, "The 2016 Presidential Election in the South Carolina Lowcountry (Rural) Promise Zone" (In preparation)

Conference Proceedings (Reviewed)

Robinson, Kenneth L., Wylin Dassie, and Ralph D. Christy, "Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development as a Rural Development Strategy," *Empowering Rural Communities through Entrepreneurship: Experiences from the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions*, USDA Rural Development, Washington, DC (December 2004).

Research Reports

Barkley, David L., Daniel C. Eades, Lori A. Dickes, Mark S. Henry, David W. Hughes, and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Workforce Occupations and Skills Projections: Upper Savannah Council of Governments Region 2000-2016 Executive Summary," EDA University Center for Economic Development and Clemson Institute for Economic and Community Development, Clemson University, UCED Research Report 06-2008-01, (June 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L., Katherine Leith, and Rebekka M. Dudensing*, "SCACDC Survey Report," Clemson University, South Carolina Association of Community Development Corporations (SCACDC), (February 2007).

Hanrahan, Charles and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Agricultural Trade Legislation in the 100th Congress," Library of Congress, Congressional Research Service Report, (Summer 1987).

Other Scholarly Publications

David W. Hughes, Daniel Eades, Kenneth Robinson, Carlos Carpio, Olga Isengildina, and Cheryl Brown, "What Is the Deal with Local Food Systems: Or, Local Food Systems from a Regional Science Perspective," UCED Working Paper 11-2007-01, EDA University Center for Economic Development.

Nyankori, James and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Emergency Department Visits and Implications for Health Care Disparities in South Carolina," *Clemson University AES Department Working Paper Series*, May 2007.

Falk, William W., Kenneth L. Robinson, et. al., "Rooted in Place: Author Meets Critics," *The Rural Sociologist*, Vol. 25, No. 4, December 2005.

Robinson, K. L. "Sunset over the Sunbelt: An Empirical Analysis of Two Alternative Theories of Development in the Southern United States." Unpublished Ph.D. dissertation, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY (2001).

Reeder, Richard J. and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Enterprise Zones: Assessing Their Rural Development Potential," *Policy Studies Journal*, Vol. 20, No. 2, 264-75, (1992).

Reeder, Richard J. and Kenneth L. Robinson, "State Enterprise Zones in Nonmetro Areas: Are They Working?" *Rural Development Perspectives*, 30-35, (June-September 1991).

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

Robinson, Kenneth L., Past Presidents' Virtual Panel (via Zoom), How We Leverage Rural Sociology to Address Key Issues in a Pandemic Context, Southern Rural Sociology Association Annual Meeting, February 2021

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, "What is the Impact of Federal Promise Zone Designation? An Examination of Rural Promise Zone Communities Pre- and Post-Award." Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Richmond, VA, August 2019.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, "Assessing the Effectiveness

of the Service Learning Approach to Teach Social Impact Analysis.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, July 2018.

Robinson, Kenneth L. and Bruce Ransom, Invited Paper Presentation, “The 2016 Presidential Election in the South Carolina Lowcountry (Rural) Promise Zone,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, July 2017.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, “Federal Rural Promise Zone Designation: Potential Impact on Persistent Poverty Counties in South Carolina.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, August 7-10, 2016.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Presidential Address, “Exploring SRSA’s Role in Leading the Conversation toward Positive Social Action and Change across the South: Pivotal Dialogue Sociological Deconstruction of Today’s Critical Issues.” Southern Rural Sociology Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, February 8, 2016.

Robinson, Kenneth L. and David W. Hughes, Invited Paper Presentation, “Potential Impacts of Locally Grown Foods on Upstate S.C. Food Deserts.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, WI, August 5-9, 2015.

Robinson, Kenneth L. and Kimberley Brown. Paper Presentation. “Establishing Local Food System Networks: The Prospect of Linking Small Farmers with Food Banks and other New Markets.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August 6-9, 2013.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, “An Examination of the Prospect of Linking Small Farmers with Food Banks and other New Markets,” Southern Rural Sociological Association, Orlando, FL, February 4, 2013.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Paper Presentation, “The Probability of Entrepreneurial Development Programming in South Carolina,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Boise, ID, July 28-30, 2011.

Dickes, Lori and Kenneth L. Robinson, “Community Partnerships as a Tool to Reduce Regional Labor Gaps: A South Carolina Regional Case Study,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, August 13, 2010.

Robinson, Kenneth L., “Promise or Pipe Dream: Rural Entrepreneurship in a Global World,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY (August 2006).

Robinson, Kenneth L., “Civic Community and Income Inequality,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL (August 2002).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "An Analysis of Sociological and Neoclassical Models of Development: A Case for the Civic Community Approach," Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM (August 2001).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "What Sociologists Can Tell Economists about Poverty and Inequality," Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (August 2000).

Robinson, Kenneth L. "The Impact of Land Tenure Pattern on Monthly Household Income in Rural South Africa," Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon (August 1998).

Other Invited Presentations

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panelist, "Power of Perspective Redefining Rural America: What Stories Are Missing?," Clemson University Gantt Multicultural Center, the Department of Community Achievement and Student Empowerment, and the Office of College Preparation and Outreach, October 8, 2020.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panelist, "Power of Perspective Matter of Policy: Who has Influence?," Clemson University Gantt Multicultural Center, the Department of Community Achievement and Student Empowerment, and the Office of College Preparation and Outreach, July 30, 2020.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panelist, "Equity, Inclusion and COVID-19 Series: The Impact on Rural Communities, Clemson University Diversity Council, June 3, 2020.

Robinson, Kenneth L. and Bruce Ransom, Invited Paper Presentation, "The 2016 Presidential Election in South Carolina Lowcountry Promise Zone." Citadel Biennial Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC, March 2018.

Kenneth L., Panelist, Exploring Your Institutional Fit, Future Professors Institute, Cornell University Graduate School, June 28, 2016.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panelist, Cornell University Alumni Forum on Environmental Justice, Africana Studies and Research Center, Ithaca, NY, October 6, 2015.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panelist, "Food and Culture: Strategies to Address Food Access in Local Food Systems." Carolina Farm Stewardship Association Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC, November 11, 2014.

Robinson, Kenneth L. Invited Paper Presentation, Respondent for plenary address titled "Social Justice, Food Systems and the Agricultural Black Belt South." Public Health Ethics Intensive Course (PHEI), Tuskegee University, AL,

April 1-4, 2014.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Using Local Food Banks to Promote Sustainability of Small and Limited Resource Farms," AFRI Project Director Meeting Prosperity for Small and Medium-Sized Farms and Rural Communities Programs, Washington, DC, February 21-22, 2013.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, "Progress and Innovation in Regional Food Systems: Perspectives from SC, VT, and MI," Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food (KYF2) Interagency Taskforce Meeting, Washington, DC, February 20, 2013.

Robinson, Kenneth L. Invited Presentation, "Working with Local Government," South Carolina Association of Community Development Corporations (SCACDC) Compliance Academy, Charleston, SC, November 16, 2012.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Faculty Advisor, "Graniteville and the Horse Creek Valley: A Social Impact Analysis & Demographic Profile," a Clemson student presentation at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IV Regional Environmental Justice Conference, Atlanta, GA, August 16-17, 2012.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Presentation, "Using Local Foods Banks to Improve Sustainability of Small and Limited Resource Farms," Clemson Local/Regional Food Systems Development Summit, Clemson University Outdoor Lab, March 9, 2012.

Robinson, Kenneth L., Invited Paper Presentation, "Healthy Living: Implications of access to locally grown foods in the Lowcountry," Southern Rural Sociological Association, Birmingham, AL, February 6, 2012.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Using Local Food Banks to Promote Sustainability of Small and Limited Resource Farms," AFRI Project Director Meeting Prosperity for Small and Medium-Sized Farms and Rural Communities Programs, Miami, FL, November 7 – 9, 2011.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Ken Robinson: A Personal Exploration of the Discipline through Teaching, Research and Outreach," ProSem Presentation, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Clemson University, Clemson, SC, October 7, 2011.

Hughes, David W., Kenneth L. Robinson, and R. David Lamie, "Sustainability and Locally Grown Markets." 2010 Southern Outlook Conference, Atlanta, GA, September 28, 2010

Robinson, Kenneth L., Panel Organizer, "Thinking Outside the Box: Jobs for RSS Grads with Government and Nonacademic Organizations," Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, August 14, 2010.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "An Ecological Regional Analysis of South Carolina," Paper Presentation, Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists/Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, February 7-9, 2010.

Robinson, Kenneth L. and Victoria T. Chanse , "Partnering with PSA Institutes for Off-Campus Service-Learning Activities," Service Alliance Faculty Fellows Workshop, Office of Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation, Clemson University, February 19, 2010.

Hughes, David W., David Lamie, and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Clemson Institute for Economic and Community Development, Clemson Extension Community Development, Activities and Programs," SC State Legislative Staff Presentation, Sandhill Research and Education Center, Columbia, SC, November 16, 2009.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Clemson Student Organic Farm Panel/Workshop," The Student Organic Farm as a Multidisciplinary Teaching Resource, Office of Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation, October 23, 2009

Adams, Keenan J., Drew Lanham, and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Initial Findings of Land Ethic Among African American Landowners in South Carolina," Poster Presentation (Awarded First-In-Show), Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July, 30 - August 2, 2009.

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Networking, Mentorship and Success in Rural Sociology, Panelist, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July 31, 2009.

Barkley, David L., Daniel C. Eades, Lori A. Dickes, Mark S. Henry, David W. Hughes, and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Integrating Skills Gaps and Occupational Demand into Regional Economic Development Policy: The Upper Savannah Region as a Case Study," Paper Presentation, Annual Meeting of the North American Council for Regional Science, Brooklyn, NY (November 19-22, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Civic Community Approaches to Rural Development in the South: Economic Growth with Prosperity," Invited Research Presentation, Kettering Foundation, Dayton, OH (November 12, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Heir Property and Its Impact on Housing and Poverty in SC," Invited Speaker, World Habitat for Humanity Day, Clemson University, Clemson, SC (October 6, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Growing Foods Locally Creative Inquiry at Clemson University," Invited Speaker and Coordinator of Student Volunteers, Carolina Farm Stewardship Association, On-Farm Benefit Dinner, Greenbrier Farms, Easley, SC (October 4, 2008).

Barkley, David L., Daniel C. Eades, Lori A. Dickes, Mark S. Henry, David W. Hughes, and Kenneth L. Robinson, "Workforce Occupations and Skills Projections: Upper Savannah Council of Governments Region 2000-2016 Executive Summary," Presentation to the Upper Savannah Council of Governments, Greenwood, SC (June 25, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L. Invited presentation sponsored by Clemson Institute for Economic and Community Development to Clemson University Trustee Dr. Louis Lynn and Development Director Mr. Brian O'Rourke on my ongoing efforts to integrate community and economic development outreach efforts into my teaching and classroom activities. Sandhill Research and Education Center, Columbia, SC (June 17, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L. "Goal-Setting," Invited presentation sponsored by the Center for Research on Health Disparities to a group of Anderson-area middle school students during the Summer Enrichment Program at Westside Community Center, Anderson, SC (June 16, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L. "Community Economic Development: Integrating Teaching, Research, and Outreach across South Carolina." Invited Seminar Presentation, Social Sciences Division, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (March 3, 2008).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Cooperation in the Delta: A Case Study of the Arkansas Delta Produce Marketing Association, LLC," Frameworks for Entrepreneurship Research in Food, Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development, Kansas City, MO (October 18-19, 2007).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Author Meets Critics: William W. Falk's 'Rooted in Place,'" Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL (August 2005).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Designing and Implementing Successful Community Projects: A Discussion," *Making Markets Matter* workshop, Stellenbosch, South Africa (September 2002).

Robinson, Kenneth L. and Ralph D. Christy, "Emerging Markets and the Hip-Hop Community," State of Black America Conference, Cornell University (April 2002).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Civic Community: An Alternative Way of Thinking about Rural Development," Department of Rural Sociology Seminar, Cornell University (February 22, 2002).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "Emerging Markets in Southern Africa," Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics Seminar, Clemson University, SC (October 2001).

Robinson, Kenneth L. "Do Sociological Concepts Matter? Civic Community in the American South," Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Alabama (December 1999).

Robinson, Kenneth L., "How to Conduct Research and Live in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa on a Fulbright Fellowship," U.S. Information Agency (USIA), Fulbright Pre-Departure Orientation Conference, Washington, DC (June 1998).

HONORS AND AWARDS

Nominee, Rowland P. Alston, Sr., '42 Award for Excellence in Public Relations, College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences, 2019

Nominee, Vice President. Rural Sociological Society, 2018

Distinguished Service Award, Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management (PRTM) Department, 2018

Presidential Award, Southern Rural Sociological Association, 2016

Southern Region Excellence in Community Development Work – Team Award, Turning the Tide on Poverty, National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP), NACDEP Conference, 2011

Nominee, Rural Sociological Society, Nominations Committee, 2011

Nominee, SC Commission on Higher Education Service Learning Award, 2009

"Preparing Future Faculty" Professional Development Certificate, Rural Sociological Society, August 2009

Service Alliance Fellow, Clemson University, 2008-2010

Certification in Social Impact Assessment, International Association for Impact Assessment, June 2008

State University of New York Fellow, Cornell University, 1995-1996

U.S. Department of Agriculture Superior Service Award, June 1992

Alpha Zeta Agricultural Honorary Society (1983)

Omicron Delta Epsilon International Economics Honor Society (1983)

SPONSORED RESEARCH

"South Carolina Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network," U. S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Co-Principal Investigator, \$365,691.00 (2020 – 2023)

"South Carolina Aquaculture Futures - Evaluating socioeconomic potentials for rural communities and limitations for entrepreneurs," U.S. Department of Agriculture - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), Co-Principal Investigator, \$149,630 (2019-22)

“Community Development and Health Disparities Field Study in South Africa,” Clemson University Office of Global Engagement, Internationalization Seed Fund Proposal, Principal Investigator, \$6,000 (2013-2014)

“Using Local Food Banks to Improve Sustainability of Small and Limited Resource Farms,” U.S. Department of Agriculture - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), Principal Investigator, \$437,000 (2011-12).

"Locally Grown Foods: Entrepreneurial Narratives of Innovative Agricultural Business in South Carolina," Clemson University Research Grant Committee Project Completion Grant, Principal Investigator, \$3,000 (2011).

“Bridging Specialty Crop Producers and Institutional Food Purchasers: Distilling a Research and Extension Agenda in Support of Local Food Systems in the Southeast, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Co-Investigator, \$44,971 (2009).

“Engaged Department Initiative,” Clemson University Service Alliance, Co-Principal Investigator, \$10,000 (2008).

Upper Savannah Council of Governments, Economic and Workforce Development Cluster Study; Co-Investigator, \$89,000 (2008).

“Creative Inquiry research course on entrepreneurship and community economic development,” Clemson University Office of the Provost, Principal Investigator, \$2500/semester (2007-12).

“Service- Learning Course Development Grant,” Clemson University Service Alliance, Principal Investigator, \$1,000 (2007).

“Citizens and Scholars mini-grant,” Clemson University Service Alliance, Principal Investigator, \$4,988 (2007).

“Entrepreneurship and Community Economic Development in South Carolina,” Hatch Project Number SC-1700313, Principal Investigator (2006-11).

“Co-Directing and Evaluating the Growing Foods Locally Initiative,” USDA Community Food Project Grant, Co-Investigator, \$37,387, (\$4,000), (2005-08)

“EDA University Center for Clemson University,” U.S. Department of Commerce, Co-Investigator, \$480,000 (\$45,000), (2006-09)

“Learning lessons and moving forward to relative invulnerability: disaster resilience and preparedness,” Hatch Project Number SC-1700339, Co-Investigator

“Community Economic Development Field Study in the Southeastern United States,” Cornell University Hatfield Fund, Principal Investigator, \$6,270 (\$6,270), (2005).

“Rural entrepreneurship outreach and training workshop at Tuskegee University for Historically Black Land-Grant Universities,” USDA Rural Development Cooperative Agreement, Co-Principal Investigator, \$77,734, (\$40,000), (2004-05).

TEACHING

Courses Taught

SOC 6980, Educational Disparity among Underrepresented Students in South Carolina, Independent Study, F20
SOC 6980, Community Development in China and Rural America, Independent Study, Sum19
SOC3600 Social Class and Poverty, S19
PO ST 8510 Rural Economic Development Policy, S17
FCS830 Community Development, F12
RS3010 Introduction to Rural Sociology F12, S13, F13, S14, F14, S15, F15, S16, F16, S17
AP EC 490/899 (APEC/CRD 494/694), Locally Grown Foods, Creative Inquiry Research, S08, F08, S09, F09, S10, F10, S11
AP EC 899, Community Development in Africa, Independent Study, S08
RS/SOC 4010/6010, Human Ecology/Social Impact Analysis, F06, F07, F08, F09, F10, F11, F12, F13, F14, F15, F16
RS/SOC 4590/6590, The Community, S07, F07, S08, S09, S10, S11, S12, S13, Sum13, S14, Sum14, S15, Sum 15, S16, Sum16, S17, S18, Sum18, S19, Sum19, S20, Sum20
CRD 492, Entrepreneurship and Marketing Locally Grown Foods, S07
CRD 491, Internship, Sum 06, F07, S08, F08, F09, F10
AEM 497/700, Communities and Emerging Markets in the U.S. South, S05, S04, S03
AEM 464, Economics of Development, F04

New Course Development

Pan African Studies 4000/Sociology 4990/8920 African-American Rural Life (Fall 2020)
SOC3600 Social Class and Poverty (Spring 2018)
RS/SOC 459/659 Community (Summer 13, online)
RS301 Introduction to Rural Sociology F12
PO ST 851 Rural Economic Development Policy (Fall 2011)
ENV 399 Special Topics in Human Ecology/Social Impact Analysis, Savannah

River Environmental Sciences Field Station, South Carolina State University
 (Summer 2011)
 CHS H202, Poverty and Development in Haiti (Spring 2011)
 APEC490 Agribusiness Entrepreneurship (Spring 2011)
 APEC 490/690, IS 210 Special Topics Rural Sociology component of study
 abroad entitled French Agriculture: Local and Regional Foods in a Global
 Economy (Summer 2012)
 RS/SOC 401/601(Fall 2006)
 APEC/CRD 494/694 Creative Inquiry (2007)

UNIVERSITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Committees

University:	Member, President's Social Justice and Equity Task Force Faculty and Staff Recruitment Subcommittee, (2020-present) Member, Subcommittee on Graduate Students Abroad (2017-2018) At-Large Member, Presidential Appointee, Athletic Council (2012-15)
Department:	Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (2020-) Member, Anthropology Search Committee (2020) Member, Social Work Search Committee (2015) Member, Graduate Advisory Committee (2014-) Member, Tenure and Promotion Review Committee (2013-) Member, Speaker Series Committee (2013-) Member, Research Committee (2012-) Member, Advisory Board Committee (2007-11)
College:	Search Committee, Director Pan African Studies, Spring 2021 At-Large Member, Provost Appointee, Search Committee, Dean for Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences, Spring 2018 Member, Leadership Certificate Special Curriculum Committee (2016-17) Member, Scholarships and Awards Committee (2007-11) Search Committee, Associate Dean for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Spring 2008
PSA(Sandhill REC):	Facilitator, Coming Together for Racial Understanding, Clemson Extension, Spring 2021 Southern Region Community Resource Development Program Leadership Network (2019 – present) Agribusiness Team (2016 – present) Advisory Board, Community Development Certificate Consortium (2006 - 2007)

Member, Lower Richland Rural Development Planning Committee (2007-2010)

Other Service

City of Clemson, Strategic Plan Implementation Steering Committee, (2021 -)
City of Clemson, Master Plan Steering Committee, (2020 - 2021)
Democracy Votes, Division of Undergraduate Studies (2019-)
Pan African Studies Faculty Advisory Committee (2017 -)
Faculty Advisor, Community Studies and International Development (CSID) Club, (2014-)
Mentor, University Professional Internship and Co-op Program, Community Studies Internship (UPIC), (2014-)
Member, Graduate Admissions Advisory Committee, Policy Studies Doctoral Program, College of Behavioral, Social, and Health Sciences, (2014-)
City and Regional Planning, Faculty Search Committee for Assistant/Associate Professor, School of Planning, Development, Preservation and Landscape Architecture, (2011- 2012)
Faculty Associate, Clemson University Center for Research on Health Disparities, (2007-)
Faculty Advisor, Community and Economic Development (CED) Club, (2007- 2013)
Dissertation Advisor Patrick Tandoh-Offin (Advisor) – Ph.D. 2010, Policy Studies; Lori Dickes (Co-Advisor) – Ph.D. 2010, Policy Studies; Jonathan Keisler (Advisor)-- Ph.D. 2014, Policy Studies; Marco Berger (Advisor) – Ph.D. 2015, Policy Studies
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