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TEACHING & ACADEMIC SUPPORT EXPERIENCE:

Saint Louis University School of Law, Saint Louis, MO
Assistant Dean Teaching and Learning & Associate Professor of Academic and Bar Exam Success | 8/2026 – present

Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, MI
Assistant Dean Academic Success Program & Adjunct Professor | 9/2020 – 7/2026
Director Academic Success Program & Adjunct Professor | 5/2017 – 8/2020
Co-Director Academic Success Program & Adjunct Professor | 7/2010 – 5/2017

Academic Support

- Plan and present study skills workshops for all first-year law students and LL.M. students
- Developed Critical Skills Program for second semester first-year law students in academic jeopardy
- Work collaboratively with student organizations to develop study skills presentations
- Assist students as they develop study plans and time management plans
- Select, train, and provide support to Peer Mentor Program (~12 PMs) and supervise one undergraduate student worker
- Provide advice on course selection, degree progress, resources and support, and academic improvement and strategies through the Center for Academics, Resources and Engagement
- Consult individually with students at academic risk and on probation
- Consult with and work with students one-on-one and in study groups
- Monitor student participation and effectiveness of programs
- Develop and deliver pre-orientation programming and orientation presentation
- Developed and taught Effective Legal Analysis and Process course
- Directed co-curricular academic success initiatives, including partnering with Constitutional Law II professor
- Assisted with establishment of Teaching Assistant Program
- Selected, trained, and provided support to Teaching Assistant Program (~24 TAs)
- Taught Academic Skills Section of the Legal Education Opportunity Program

Bar Preparation Support

- Developed and taught Problem-Solving in Contracts and Bar Exam Succes Fundamentals
- Developed and led bar preparation programming: Introduction to NEXTGEN Bar Exam, Planning for the Bar Exam, "Late" Planning for the Bar Exam, Demystifying the Character and Fitness Application, MPRE Nuts & Bolts, What is the UBE, All About the MBE, Nothing But the MEE, Practice the MPT, MSU Bar Exam Tutorial (for students unsuccessful on the bar exam), Spartans Pass the Bar (summer bar programming and online platform with evergreen bar related information and resources), Bar Review Vendor Fair
- Oversaw outsourcing of certain bar preparation services to bar review program vendors for 3L MEE and MPT Practice, 2L Mini Bar Exam, and practice MBEs
- Worked collaboratively with the Office of Student Affairs on Bar exam related programming
- Support faculty-initiated bar success initiatives such as Bar Coaching program
- Consult with faculty about how to integrate bar exam related skills and questions into courses

Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, MI
Director Legal Education Opportunity (LEO) Program | 8/2013 – 5/2016

- Oversaw operations of conditional admissions program and collaborated with Diversity and Equity Services Office to restructure program, build community, provide support, and implement programming
- Worked collaboratively with various departments at the College and coordinated faculty participants
- Selected program participants as a member of the Admissions Committee and advised and supported LEO students throughout law school and during bar exam preparation through one-on-one meetings and other programming
- Managed program budget and assessed effectiveness of program

Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, MI
Interim Director Academic Success Program | 8/2009 – 7/2010

- Inaugural Interim Director/Director of Academic Support Program, charged with designing and leading comprehensive JD and bar readiness program within one year
- Planned and presented study skills workshops for all first-year law students
- Consulted with students one-on-one and in study groups
- Worked collaboratively with the Office of Student Affairs on Bar exam related programming
- Planned Bar exam related workshops
- Worked collaboratively with vendors of academic support materials and Bar preparation materials
- Assisted students as they developed study plans and time management plans
- Worked collaboratively with student organizations to develop study skills presentations
- Created and updated TWEN pages for first year law students and upper-level law students
- Posted weekly study tips
- Consulted with faculty and staff about effective ways to support student learning
- Worked collaboratively and exchanged ideas with academic support professionals at other institutions via the Academic Support Listserv

Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI
Graduate Intern EXCEL Program | 8/2008 – 12/2008

Program part of the Academic Resources and Special Programs Office with a focus on providing first generation and diverse students with not only academic support and advising but student development support

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA
Graduate Intern Academic Resource Center | 5/2008 – 7/2008

Reviewed and helped revamp various components and materials of the alternative admissions program. Assisted with Teaching Assistants and brought to life a character for the legal writing assignment. Completed various projects.

Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI
Teaching Assistant Perspectives on African American Males | 1/2008 – 4/2009

Course offered through the African/African American Studies department which examined the social, cultural, economic, and political forces shaping the experiences of Black men in the US. Attended class, read books, graded all student assignments, and led some discussions.

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA
Supervisor and Coordinator Teaching Assistant Program | 6/2003 – 5/2004

Assisted with two-day training and orientation of about ~12 teaching assistants, ensured schedule was shared with student participants, reviewed materials and provided suggestions, tracked attendance of members of alternative admission program, and coordinated debrief sessions.

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA
Teaching Assistant Criminal Law and Contract Law | 5/2002 – 5/2003

Served as Criminal Law Teaching Assistant for the summer alternative admission course. Attended all classes, engaged in activities, provided individual tutoring, met weekly to debrief the week and discussed student

challenges, and led Friday review sessions and study groups. Served as Teaching Assistant during the academic year for Contracts, attended all classes, co-led study group sessions, directed students to resources available in the Academic Resource Center, held weekly office hours, interacted with professor, and worked one-on-one with students.

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE:

Michigan State University College of Law
Led and participate in committees and working groups shaping admissions, curriculum, and bar passage

- Ad Hoc Bar Exam Committee
  - Member (Fall 2022 to Spring 2026)
  - Chair (Fall 2020 - Spring 2021 and Fall 2021 - Spring 2022)
- Admissions Committee
  - Member (Fall 2013 - Spring 2017 and Fall 2018 - Spring 2020)
- Homeroom Working Group
  Intended to create connections among students and between students and faculty due to impact of switch to virtual learning
  - Member (Spring 2020 - Spring 2022)
- Teaching, Learning, and Assessment Committee
  - Member (Fall 2020 - Spring 2021 and Fall 2021 - Spring 2022)

Support other college of law offices by presenting, taking on tasks, and attending

- Admitted Student Visit Day Program attendance and presentation
- Black Law Students Association Advisor (2015 - 2026)
- Commencement Celebration Volunteer
- Diversity and Equity Services Office African Heritage Alliance Volunteer, Speaker, and Supporter (2009 - 2020)
- National HBCU Prelaw Summit Expo (2022)
- National Black Prelaw Conference and Law Fair (2023, 2025)
- Orientation Program Volunteer
- Pipeline Program Presenter

Michigan State University

- Emergency Action Team

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

Committee Leadership Award, Association of Academic Support Educators (May 2025)

- National recognition for outstanding service to the Media and Information Committee

ASP Inspirational Award, Association of Academic Support Educators (May 2022)

- National recognition for significant contributions to Academic Support throughout career and particularly promotion of the field of ASP and mentorship of ASP colleagues

Guiding Light Award for ASBWC, Association of Academic Support Educators (May 2022)

- National recognition for the work of the Academic Support Black Women's Collective (ASBWC) which was co-founded by Goldie Pritchard

Certificate of Appreciation, MSU Women of Color Community (May 2022)

- For contributions as a woman of color touching the lives of women on the campus of Michigan State University

Certificate of Appreciation, Black Law Students Association (March 2016)

- For tireless efforts and constant support of the Michigan State University College of Law Black Law Students Association

President's Award, Davis-Dunnings Bar Association (May 2014)

- Recognition for continued commitment and extraordinary service to the Davis-Dunnings Bar Association through the Bar Mentorship Program and other programming

Certificate of Recognition, MSU Family Resource Center (May 2014 and September 2015)

- Recognition for being supportive of the needs of a non-traditional Michigan State University Student

Award, MSU Black Law Students Association (May 2013)

- In grateful appreciation of constant support and countless hours of tutoring and mentorship unselfishly given

Jack Apol Award, MSU Black Law Students Association (March 2013)

- Recognition for support of BLSA through programming, program attendance, and support

Student Bar Association Student Service Award, Student Bar Association (April 2004)

- Recognition for significant contributions to the law school community

Michael Webb Award for Leadership & Community Dedication (April 2001)

- Recognition for significant contributions to the black community and leadership in the Cross-Cultural Center

SELECT PRESENTATIONS:

Presenter, *Sharing the Journey: Supporting Students with Neurodivergence and their Financial Planning*, AccessLex - LexCon `25, Savannah, Georgia (November 2025).

Presenter, *Marginalization in the Legal Academy: A Case Study of Academic Support*, Law School Admissions Council Rise Alliance, Zoom (March 2025).

Presenter, *Transferring, Connecting & Marketing Your Skills*, AccessLex – LexCon@Home '21, Virtual (November 2021).

Panelist, *Alternative Legal Careers*, Davis-Dunnings Bar Association, Zoom (October 2021).

Presenter, *Promoting Equity and Inclusion in Online Teaching*, Society of American Law Teachers - Social Justice Series, Zoom (August 2020).

Presenter, *You're on Punishment: Challenges Associated with Expanding Access and Opportunity without Added Resources*, 2nd Bi-annual Diversity Conference of the Association of Academic Support Educators, Chicago, Illinois (October 2019).

Co-Presenter, *Your Academic Success Future is So Bright, You Have to Wear Shades: Developing a Plan for Professional Growth from the Start*, 7th Annual Association of Academic Support Educators National Conference, Seattle, Washington (May 2019).

Co-Presenter, *Tales from our Village: Guidance for Effective Academic Support Interventions*, 7th Annual Southwest Consortium of Academic Support Professionals Conference, San Antonio, Texas (March 2019).

Co-Presenter, *Academic Support: Pathways and Strategies for Advising*, 5th Annual Association of Academic Support Educators National Conference, Fort Worth, Texas (May 2017).

Co-Presenter, *Academic Support: Barriers and Pathways to Advising*, 4th Annual Association of Academic Support Educators National Conference, Long Island City, New York (May 2016).

SELECT ACADEMIC SUPPORT BLOG POSTS

A Fly on a Wall: Observations of a T.A., Law School Academic Support Blog, (April 4, 2018) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/a-fly-on-a-wall-observations-of-a-ta

Everyone Passed The Bar Exam But Me, Law School Academic Support Blog, (November 1, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/everyone-passed-the-bar-exam-but-me

I Understand Everything…., Law School Academic Support Blog, (September 20, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/i-understand-everything

What the "Support" in Academic Support Program Could Stand For, Law School Academic Support Blog, *(*August 30, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/what-the-support-in-academic-support-program-could-stand-for

Law School Is Not For You, Law School Academic Support Blog, (August 16, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/law-school-is-not-for-you

A Dream That Changed A Life, Law School Academic Support Blog, (April 26, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/a-dream-that-changed-a-life

So…I Passed The Bar Exam!, Law School Academic Support Blog, (April 19, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/soi-passed-the-bar-exam

The Impact of Words, Law School Academic Support Blog, (March 29, 2017) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/the-impact-of-words

I SHOULD HAVE COME LAST SEMESTER , Law School Academic Support Blog, (November 30, 2016) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/i-should-have-come-last-semester

The Herculean ASPer?, Law School Academic Support Blog, (October 26, 2016) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/the-herculean-asper

Failure is a Pathway to Success, Law School Academic Support Blog, (October 19, 2016) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/failure-is-a-pathway-to-success

Is Your ASP Office a "Safe Space"?, Law School Academic Support Blog, (September 28, 2016) https://lawschoolaspblog.com/is-your-asp-office-a-safe-space

Be Teachable, Law School Academic Support Blog, (August 31, 2016**)** https://lawschoolaspblog.com/be-teachable

MEDIA INTERVIEWS:

Ward, Stephanie Francis, *As some law grads prepare for an online bar exam, academic support experts offer advice*, ABA Journal (Jun. 16, 2020, 8 AM), https://www.abajournal.com/web/article/as-some-law-grads-prepare-for-an-online-bar-academic-support-experts-offer-advice

Ward, Stephanie Francis, *What can bar applicants learn from the October 2020 exam?,* ABA Journal (Jul. 6, 2020, 11:08 AM), https://www.abajournal.com/web/article/what-can-bar-applicants-learn-from-the-october-2020-exam

MSU Law deans cheer on students during Bar Exams, LegalNews.com: Detroit Legal News (Aug. 15, 2023), https://legalnews.com/Home/Articles?DataId=1525905

BAR ADMISSIONS:

Admitted to practice in Michigan

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND TRAININGS:

Professional Affiliations:

- Academic Support Black Women's Collective (ASBWC)
- American Bar Association (ABA)
- Association of Academic Support Educators (AASE)
- Association of American Law Schools - Academic Support Section (AALS)
- Michigan State University Black Alumni (MSUBA) - Friend of MSUBA
- Society of American Law Teachers (SALT)
- State Bar of Michigan

Leadership Roles

- **AccessLex Institute**
  Helix Bar Review Advisory Committee, Member, 2022 – Present

- **Association of Academic Support Educators**
  Executive Board Member, President-elect, 2026 – Present
  Executive Board Member, Secretary, 2018 – 2019 and 2020 – 2021
  Diversity Committee Member, 2014 – 2016
  Bar Advocacy Committee, 2015 – Present
  Law School Academic Support Blog (formerly member of Law Professor Blogs Network), Contributing Editor 2016-2018 and Editor 2024 – Present
  *Several entries made Top 10 Blog Posts on Texas Bar Today
  Media and Information Committee, Inaugural Chair, 2024 – 2025 and Member 2025 – Present

- **Association of American Law Schools Section on Academic Support**
  Board Member, 2017 – 2019
  Bar Passage Committee, Co-Chair, 2017 – 2018
  Programming Committee, Chair, 2014 – 2015 and Member, 2013 – 2019
  Law School Academic Success Website Committee (ASP Project Committee), Member, 2014 – 2015
  Bar Passage Committee, Member, 2011 – 2022

- **Cal Aggie Alumni Association**
  Cal Aggie Alumni Association Scholarship Program Volunteer Reviewer 2019 and 2020
  Lifetime Cal Aggie Alumni Association Member

- **Davis-Dunnings Bar Association** (formerly Lansing Black Lawyers Association)

Bar Passage Program Chair, Lansing, MI, 2012 – 2013
Bar Passage Program Co-Chair, Lansing, MI, 2011 – 2012
Bar Passage Program Mentor, Lansing, MI, Summer 2010, Winter 2011, Summer 2011, Winter 2012, Winter 2013
Scholarship Committee Chair, Annual Otis M. Smith Scholarship, Lansing MI, 2013, 2014

♦ **Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Diversity Committee**
Diversity Writing Competition Volunteer Grader, 2014 and 2017

Trainings:
♦ Critical Incident Situation Management (CISM): Group Crisis Intervention
♦ Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM): Individual Crisis Intervention and Peer Support
♦ Allies and Advocates Training

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Attorney

International Development Consultant
Grand Rapids, MI **6/2009 – 8/2009**

Graduate Assistant
Office of Multicultural Affairs, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI **7/2007 – 5/2009**

International Development and Legal Consultant
Fairfield, CA and Grand Rapids, MI **7/2004 – 8/2007**

EDUCATION:

M. Ed. **Adult and Higher Education**, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, April 2009.
Emphasis: College Student Affairs Leadership
Thesis Project: Proposing an Academic Support Program for the Retention of Graduate and Professional Students of Color at Grand Valley State University. Advisor: Dr. Ginger Randall.
Activities: Coordinator of Students Promoting Diversity and Leadership (SPDL) Peer Mentoring Program, Wade McCree Scholarship Incentive Program Assistant.

J.D. **Law**, Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, May 2004.
Activities: Access to Justice Institute: Immigrant Court Project Chair, American Bar Association/Law Student Division, Black Law Student Association Secretary, International Human Rights Clinic, International Law Society, Student Bar Association: Academic Conduct Committee Member.

B.A. Double major in **History** and **Political Science**, University of California, Davis, June 2001.
Activities: Associated Students of the University of California Davis: Campus Affairs Grievance Counselor, Campus Judicial Board Chair, Cross Cultural Center Public Relations Intern, Phi Alpha Delta Pre- Law Society, The House Peer Counseling Services Programing Chair.