
Laura Rutter Strickling PhD.

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

2012-2014 Post Doctoral Position: Urban Education and Policy, UMBC /
Towson State University

2012 Ph.D., Department of Language, Literacy & Culture (LLC), UMBC.
Dissertation entitled: *"This Whole Language Variation Journey": Examining
Teachers Changing Beliefs about Language and Linguistically Aware
Applications*. ProQuest, UMI Dissertations Publishing 3516253.

2008 M.A., Intercultural Communication & Spanish. Department of
Modern Languages, Literature and Intercultural Communication (MLLI), UMBC.
Research entitled: *The Pragmatics of Prayer: The Mediating Influence of
Social Position on Perceptions of Power Distance as Latter-day Saint Women
of a Baltimore Congregation Approach God*.

1997 Post Baccalaureate: Spanish & Education, Augusta State University,
Augusta, Georgia.

1977 B.A., Art & Music, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURES

Secondary Education License in Spanish, Maryland.

National Board Teacher's Certification: World Languages other than English.

Intercultural Development Inventory Administrator (IDI).

TEACHING

- **2015-2020** Adjunct Faculty, Brigham Young University Idaho, Spanish
- **2015** Pikesville Middle School, Spanish.
- **2014** Adjunct Faculty, UMBC, Education Department. EDU 771,
Analyzing Research Methods in Education.

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- **2006-2012** Spanish Lecturer at UMBC: Beginning and Intermediate Spanish, SP 101, SP 102, SP 201 & SP 201 honors.
 - **1998-2006** High School Spanish Teacher, Levels 1-5 including Advanced Placement Spanish Grammar and Literature, North Carolina.
 - **2002-2004** Spanish instructor, Stanly Community College, North Carolina. Intermediate Spanish.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Nov 2018 Invitation to speak at Potomac, Maryland, a multi-congregational meeting. Discussion topic: “Grappling with the Race Dilemma in our Latter-day Saint Congregations”

Oct 2018 Invitation to speak at the Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship. Provo, Utah. Discussion topic: “Research, Writing, and the Race Dilemma”

Oct 2018 Invitation to speak at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, Anthropology Department. Discussion topic: “On Fire in Baltimore: Black Mormon Women and Conversion in a Raging City. The Latter-day Saint Race Dilemma.”

Oct 2018 Invitation to speak at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints History Department, Salt Lake City, Utah. Discussion topic: “Research Methods for On Fire in Baltimore and the Race Dilemma.”

Oct 2016 Invitation to speak at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. A five-congregation Latter-day Saint meeting. Discussion topic: “What I have learned from Black Latter-day Saint women of Baltimore: Mothers, Mothering and Conversion.”

PRESENTATIONS

July 2017 Sunstone Symposium, University of Utah, Salt Lake City. “*Black Mormon Women from Baltimore: What They Have Taught Me about Race and Faith.*”

Nov 2016 Annual Faculty Research Day, Modern Languages & Literature & Intercultural Communication Department (MLLI), University of Maryland

Baltimore County, Baltimore, Maryland. Presentation entitled, "*Narrations of Spiritual Reuniting with Deceased Mothers: Black Mormon Women from Baltimore.*"

Oct 2016 Symposium on Pilgrimage Studies, by the Institute of Pilgrimage Studies at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va., entitled: "*I saw her face and she was well*": *African American Mormon Women's Pilgrimage to the Latter-day Saint Washington D.C. Temple and Narrations of Spiritual Reuniting with Deceased Mothers.*

Jan 2015 Symposium presentation at International Congress for School Effectiveness and Improvement (ICSEI), Cincinnati, Ohio, entitled: *Race To The Top Reforms: An Assessment of Maryland's Progress 2010 -2014, School Turnaround.*

Oct 2013 Paper presented at Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, Louisville, Kentucky: *The Nature of the Emerging Partnership Roles of the Maryland State Department of Education Cross-Functional Team and CAIRE (Center for Application & Innovation Research in Education).*

May 2013 Paper presented at Pacific North West American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature/American School of Oriental Research Regional Conference: Mormon Studies, entitled: *African American Women of Inner City Baltimore Talk on Mothers and Mothering, and their Conversion to the Latter-day Saint Faith.*

April 2011 Paper presented at Pine Mountain, Ga. at the South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, entitled: *Teachers Integrating Linguistically Informed Materials and Approaches into their Discourse and Teaching Practices.*

Nov 2009 Paper presented in Atlanta, Ga. at the South Atlantic Modern Language Association annual conference entitled: *Educators' Apprehensions in Adopting Dialect Awareness Curricula: Discourse Analysis of Four Teacher Interviews.*

April 2009 Paper presented at UMBC at the Language, Literacy & Cultural Colloquium on Critical Perspectives on Intercultural Communication Theories,

paper entitled: *The Omission, Marginalization, and Misappropriation of Religion in Intercultural Communication Texts.*

Mar 2008 Paper presented at UMBC, Mid Atlantic Council for Latin American Studies (MACLAS) Conference, entitled: *El Significado de “El Otro” Según un Análisis Socio-cultural de la Poesía de Laviera y Cruz y Empleando la Teoría de Aculturación de Bennett.*

Oct 2007 Paper presented at Cleveland State University Conference, Crossing Over Symposium II; and at UMBC Faculty research Day entitled: *Pragmatics of Prayer: How African American and Euro American Latter-Day Saint Women in a Baltimore Congregation Approach God.*

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

June 2012 Partnered with Dr. Christine Mallinson, Language Variation in the Classroom for Middle Grades Partnership educators. Five-day workshop. Roland Park, Baltimore, Md.

Jan 2011 Facilitating Discussions Relating to Cultural Diversity to Mosaic Center Employees at UMBC.

Aug 2010 E-Teacher Professional Development Workshop to international teacher participants as part of the E-Teacher Scholarship Program sponsored by the U.S. State Department at UMBC.

Aug 2010 New Student Orientation: An Introduction to Intercultural Communication to the Intercultural Communication Graduate School program at UMBC.

Nov 2009 Cultural Mindfulness to graduate students in Intercultural Communication program, MLLI 605, at UMBC.

Nov 2009 Teaching Middle-Eastern Students to instructors of English as a Second Language (ESL), Department at UMBC.