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## EDUCATION

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**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Social and Political Thought** 2015 – Completion August 2022  
*York University*, Toronto, ON  
Dissertation title: *Decolonizing the Caribbean Reparations Movement*  
Supervisor: Dr. Kamala Kempadoo  
Committee Members: Dr. Honor Ford-Smith, Dr. David Trotman  
Internal-External Examiner: Dr. Andrea Davis

**Masters of the Arts (MA) in Humanities** June 2015  
*York University*, Toronto, ON  
Major research paper title: *Caribbean integration through the Arts*  
Supervisor: Dr. Andrea Davis

**Bachelor of the Arts with Honors (BA) in International Development Studies** October 2013  
*York University*, Toronto, ON

**York Exchange Program** September 2011 – May 2012  
*University of the West Indies*, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados

## AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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2021 The Grace and David Taylor Scholarship in Caribbean Studies, York University (\$5, 000)  
2020 Nathanson Graduate Fellowship, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University (\$11, 500)  
2019 Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Award Recipient (\$26, 600)  
2019 Visiting Researcher, Centre for Reparations Research, University of the West Indies, Mona  
2019 The Paavo and Aino Lukkari Human Rights Fellowship (\$10, 000)  
2018 Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) Award Recipient (\$15, 000)  
2015 United Nations People of African Descent Fellowship, Caribbean Representative  
2015 York Graduate Fellowship Grant Recipient (\$35, 000/yr.)  
2013 York Graduate Scholarship Grant Recipient (\$18, 000)  
2011 Ontario International Education Scholarship Recipient, York University (\$2, 500)  
2011 Tom Martin Scholarship Recipient (\$5, 000)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Article(s)

2019 Eugene, C. (2019). Towards a Framework for Caribbean Reparations. *Journal of Eastern Caribbean Studies*, 44(3), 54-77.

## Work in Progress

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Article(s)

Eugene, C. "Rastafari, Reggae, and Reparations." *Iyaric Publication* (2022)

Eugene, C. "The Tragedy of Caribbean Studies in Canada." *Journal of Canadian Studies* (2022)

Eugene, C. "Decolonizing the Legal Framework of the Caribbean Reparations Campaign: An Intervention through Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAAIL)." *Osgoode Hall Law Journal* (2022)

Eugene, C. "Natty Dread:" Rastafari 'Livity' as Praxis Towards a New Humanity." *The CLR James Journal* (2023)

### Peer-Reviewed Book Chapter

**Eugene, C.**, Williams, Y., & Gray, A. (2023). Groundings and Rastafari: re-territorialising Caribbean Indigenous knowledge. In C. Nakhid, *Caribbean Methodologies*. Routledge.

### Reports

2013 McCreedy, L., James, C., Chavannes, V., Foster, N., Tewelde, Y., Kellen, A., & **Eugene, C.** (2013). *Gathering Our Voices: The Lived Experiences of Black Fathers in Toronto*. Black Daddies Club, Toronto.

2011 Nelson, L., **Eugene, C.**, Bailey, P., Burchall, J., & Hay, B. (2011). *Breaking Bread Report*. Black Daddies Club, Toronto.

2009 Marsh, S., & **Eugene, C.** (2009). *Grounding in Community, More than a Haircut: The Barbershop Project Report*. Centre for Community Based Research, Kitchener.

### Newspaper Articles

2011 Eugene, C. (2011, February 4). The Spirit of the rhythm: a beat history. *Excalibur York University Community Newspaper*, p. 11

2011 Eugene, C. (2011, February 4). 1968: A Profile of Mark Stoddart and the year that made him. *Excalibur York University Community Newspaper*, p. 9

2011 Eugene, C. (2011, February 4). Living Legend: Dr. Andrea Davis. *Excalibur York University Community Newspaper*, p. 7

## CONFERENCES AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

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### INVITED TALKS

- 2019 Eugene, C. “Building Transnational Relationships in the Americas” The Pan-African Council Brazil Office Launch, Legislative Assembly of Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, December 4.
- 2019 Eugene, C. “What Can we Learn from the Caribbean Reparations Movement” Mid-Decade Summit for the International Decade for People of African Descent (IDPAD), Howard University School of Law, Washington D.C. November 13.
- 2016 Eugene, C. “The Black Canadian Experience: The Radical Creative Imagination.” Canadian and Caribbean representative at the International Decade for People of African Descent (2015-2024): Ten years to take action, UNESCO Headquarters Room IV, Paris, France, September 19.
- 2016 Eugene, C. “Connecting to the Global Diaspora.” Guest Speaker at Germany’s Launch of the International Decade for People of African Descent, Berlin, Germany, June 3.
- 2015 Eugene, C. “The Caribbean Reparations Movement.” People of African Descent: Different Countries, Similar Discrimination, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Geneva, Switzerland, October 23.

### CONFERENCES

#### Conferences and Webinars Organized

- 2022 Planning Committee, *Global Afrikan Congress – International Conference on Reparations*, University of the West Indies (UWI), Cave Hill Campus, Bridgetown Barbados
- 2021 Chair of the Planning Committee, *Pan-African Council – Caribbean Futures: A Youth Centred Approach Webinar Series Launch*, March 04
- 2021 Planning Committee, *Global Afrikan Congress North American Region, Prep Conference on Reparations*, Toronto, July 25.
- 2016 Chair of the Planning Committee, *Decolonizing the Americas – Methods and Resistance*, Fourth International Graduate Student Research Conference on Latin America and the Caribbean, York University, Toronto, March 11 – 12.

#### Panels Organized

- 2021 “The Transnational Case for Reparations: Repair, Redress and Emancipation” Panelists – Dr. Amy Strecker, Dr. Nora Wittman, Classio Santana and Dr. Esther Ojulari, Baptista Lecture Series, York University, Toronto, March 31.

2021 “The Caribbean Case for Reparations: Remembrance, Reclamation and Restorative Futures”  
Panelists Dr. Verene Shepherd, Dr. Natasha Lightfoot and Cikiah Thomas, Baptista Lecture  
Series, York University Toronto, March 18.

### **Papers Presented**

- 2020 **Eugene, C.**, Williams, Y., & Gray, A. “Groundings and reasoning: re-territorialising Caribbean Indigenous knowledge” Caribbean Research Methodologies Online Seminar 2020, October 16.
- 2019 Eugene, C. “The Roles of the Youth and Arts in the Caribbean Reparations Movement” Caribbean Festival of the Arts (CARIFESTA), University of the West Indies, Saint Augustine, August 22.
- 2018 Eugene, C. “A Fanonian Humanist Approach in Understanding Caribbean Reparations.”  
Strategies of Critique XXXII, York University, Keele Campus, Toronto, October 11 – 13.
- 2018 Eugene, C. “The Radical Creative Imagination: Towards Caribbean Reparations” Black Canadian Studies Association, University of Regina, Saskatchewan, May 26 – June 1.
- 2017 Eugene, C. “Black Radical Future” Black Speculative Arts Movement Canada, Concordia University, Montreal September 23.
- 2017 Eugene, C. “How Black Lives Matter has Transformed the Visual Representation of Black Resistance.” Harriet Tubman Summer Institute for Research on Africa and its Diasporas, York University, Keele Campus, Toronto, August 8 – 13.
- 2016 Eugene, C. “What does the International Decade for People of African Descent Means for Saint Lucians?” Panelist at the Launch of the International Decade of People of African Descent, Castries, Saint Lucia, May 4.
- 2016 Eugene, C. “Reimagining Caribbean Integration.” Decolonizing Panamerica: A Panel Discussion with Emerging Scholars at the Centre for Film and Theatre, York University, Toronto, Ontario, January 27.
- 2014 Eugene, C. “Digital Activism: Caribbean Aesthetics.” Panelist with Dr. John Greyson at the Regent Park Film Festival, Toronto, Ontario, November 20.
- 2014 Eugene, C. “Combatting Youth Violence and Inspiring Caribbean Integration through the Arts.” Panelist at National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 10 -15.
- 2013 Eugene, C. “Caribbean Integration: Arts Development Model.” Panelist with Dr. Carl James, Dr. Andrea Davis and Dr. Michelle Johnson at the Caribbean Studies Association Conference, Grand Anse, Grenada, June 3 – 7.
- 2011 Eugene, C. “Saint Lucia Youth Experience in Toronto.” Panelist with Dr. June Soomer, at the Saint Lucia Youth Conference, Marigot Bay, Saint Lucia, August 22-25.

- 2011 Eugene, C. “More Than A Haircut: The Barbershop Project.” Panelist at the Expanding Horizons For the Early Years, Toronto, Ontario, April 13 -14.
- 2010 Eugene, C. “More Than A Haircut: Building on Strengths and Mutual Support at the Barbershop.” Panelist with Sarah Marsh, Lorraine Kirlew at On New Shores, University of Guelph Ontario, September 30 – October 1.

### **Poster Presentation**

- 2021 Eugene, C. “Youth, Culture and the Black Radical Tradition.” University of Toronto Caribbean Studies Program, Online, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

### **Panel Chair/Discussant**

- 2021 Global Afrikan Congress, North American Region, Prep Conference on Reparations, Panelists – Dr. Hilary Beckles and Hope McNish, Toronto, July 25.
- 2019 Memory, Oral Performance, Revolution, Panelists – Dr. Anthony Bogues, Dr. Alissa Trotz and Dr. Faith Smith. Decolonizing, Social Movements and Performance in the Caribbean and Canada 1968 -1988, York University, Toronto. October 24 – 26.

## **UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Course Directorship**

- May 2020 – Jun 2022 CDN335H1F Black Canadian Studies, University of Toronto  
 Jan 2021 – Apr 2022 TYP019H1 Introduction to Black Canadian Studies, University of Toronto  
 Sep 2019 – Apr 2020 TYP056Y1Y University Studies, University of Toronto

### **Seminar Instructor Positions**

- Sep 2018 – Apr 2022 NEW120Y Introduction to Caribbean Studies, University of Toronto  
 May 2019 – Jun 2019 USA401H1F Social Inequality and Education, University of Toronto

### **Teaching Assistantships**

- Sep 2017 – Apr 2022 HUMA1300 Cultures of Resistance in the Americas, York University  
 Sep 2016 – Apr 2017 SOSC1341 Introduction to the Social Economy, York University  
 Sep 2015 – Apr 2016 SOSC2340 Intermediate Business and Society, York University

## **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

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### **Graduate Assistant on the Groundings Project, Toronto ON**

Oct 2012 – Jun 2015

- Gather data on youth violence in Canada and the Caribbean
- Organize and facilitate workshops in the Greater Toronto Area and Jamaica

- Artistic Coordinator for theatrical play
- Writer, Photographer, Videographer and Editor on project
- Present findings at conferences

**Regent Park Focus, Outreach & Evaluator Coordinator, Toronto ON**

Mar 2014 – Jun 2015

- Build and strengthen relationships with partnered organizations in the Regent Park Community
- Evaluate programs to make sure they are meeting their goals
- Facilitate workshops with youth in the different media programs
- Youth mentorship

**Black Daddies Club, Community Engagement Specialist, Toronto ON**

Dec 2012- Jun 2013

- Build and strengthen relationships with organizations working with young Black men in Toronto
- Build and maintain healthy relationships with participants in the program
- Facilitate workshops with young Black fathers
- Establish and manage advisory committees for research project
- Photographer on Project

**Breaking Bread, Project Evaluator, Toronto, ON**

Jan 2011- Aug 2011

- Evaluated and Facilitated project with young and potential fathers around fatherhood, relationships, and community violence.
- Organized themes for workshop sessions to keep youth engaged in the discussions
- Outreach to the various African and Afro Caribbean communities
- Build and maintain healthy relationships with participants in the program

**Centre for Community Based Research, Evaluator, Kitchener, ON**

Nov 2008 - Apr 2009

- Attended *Barbershop Project* sessions: interviewed participants about impact of fathering on their lives and children; observed interactions and participation during sessions
- Gathered and analyzed data through questionnaires, interviews, and focus groups
- Evaluated project (focus primarily on the strengths and weaknesses)
- Present findings to the community and at conferences

**MEDIA COVERAGE**

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- June 2022, University College, University of Toronto – Navigating the World as a Black Canadian  
<https://www.uc.utoronto.ca/navigating-world-black-canadian>
- June 2022, ChoiceTV Saint Lucia – Pan-Africanism and Art in Saint Lucia  
<https://www.facebook.com/choicemedianetwork/videos/solucians-20-june-2022/710286310051818/>
- December 2021, Good Mornin' Barbados – Global Afrikan Congress interview on Mornin Barbados addressing Reparations & Barbados Republic Status  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qVAtuiCpCpc>

- August 2019, CARICOM Today – Reparations Not Just About Money: CARIFESTA Symposium  
<https://today.caricom.org/2019/08/24/reparations-not-just-about-money-carifesta-symposium/>
- July 2019, Nation Wide Radio – Emancipation Day  
<https://nationwideradiojm.com/personalities/talking-history/>
- May 2016, MBC Prime News –Decade for People of African Descent  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRv\\_ow7JB10](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRv_ow7JB10)
- February 2016, St. Lucia Voice newspaper – Saying it Loud and Proud: Yes! We Matter  
<https://www.thevoiceslu.com/2016/02/saying-it-loud-and-proud-yes-we-matter/>
- April 2015, Toronto Star – Time for a New Type of Black Activism in Toronto  
<https://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2015/04/21/time-for-a-new-kind-of-black-activism-in-toronto.html>
- February 2015, CBC Radio - Black Experience Project Interview  
<https://www.cbc.ca/metromorning/episodes/2015/02/17/black-experience/>

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- Research Associate, Centre for Research for Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC), York University
- Research Associate, Harriet Tubman Institute, York University
- Research Fellow Member, Jack and Mae Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security, York University
- Research Associate, Centre for Reparations Research (CRR), University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona Campus
- Member (Fellow), UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Member, Caribbean Solidarity Network (CSN)
- Member, Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
- Member, Black Speculative Arts Movement (BSAM) Canada,
- Member, National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates (NAAASA)
- Member, Association for the Study of Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD)
- Member, Black Graduate Students Collective, York University

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/CERTIFICATE

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### 2015 **Gender Equality, Human Rights and Me Certificate**

*UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland*

## SERVICE & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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2021 – Present	CERLAC Equity Working Group
2020 – Present	Baptista Lecture Series, Planning Committee Member, York University
2019 – Present	Curriculum Committee Member, Transitional Year Program (TYP), University of Toronto
2019 – Present	Community Engagement Committee Member, Transitional Year Program (TYP), University of Toronto

2015 – 2016 Graduate Student Representative on Executive Committee, Centre for Research for Latin America and the Caribbean, York University

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

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2021 – Present African – Caribbean Civil Society Coalition, Global Online Network  
2019 – Present Global Afrikan Congress, Youth Ambassador, Global Network  
2019 – Present Caribbean Ambassador, Pan-African Council, Kigali, Rwanda  
2019 – Present Member, International Coalition for People of African Descent (ICPAD), Global Online Network  
2016 – 2017 Co-founder, Canadian Council for People of African Descent (CCPAD)  
2010 – 2013 Board Member, Black Daddies Club, Toronto, Canada  
2011 – 2013 Steering Committee Member, Young Potential Fathers, Toronto, Canada

### **REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**

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