

## **SHERA CARTER SACKEY, PhD**

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### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. in Education- Professional Studies in Education** (2015), Capella University.  
Dissertation: *Leading a Learning School: Perspectives on Implementing a Learning Community*.

Chair: Dr. Elizabeth Bruch

**M.Ed. Educational Administration** (2006), Prairie View A and M University.

**M.A. Communication-Speech Communication** (2004), Texas Southern University, Houston.

**B.A. in Speech Communication** (2001), Texas Southern University.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Student Engagement

Training and Performance Improvement

Mindfulness in the Classroom

Resiliency

Adult Learning

LGBTQ Issues

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2012-Present **Speech Professor**. San Jacinto College. Arts and Humanities  
Communication courses in Public Speaking, Interpersonal  
Communications, Business and Professional Communication, and  
Introduction to Speech.

2019-Present **Adjunct Professor**. Texas Southern University, Speech Department  
Undergraduate communication course in Business and Professional  
Communication and Public Speaking.

2004-2012 **Adjunct Professor**. Houston Community College.  
Undergraduate Communication courses in Public Speaking, Intro to  
Communication, and Business and Professional Communication. 2004-

2012 **Adjunct Professor.** Lonestar College. Undergraduate Communication courses in Public Speaking, Intro to Communication, and Business and Professional Communication.

## **OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

### **INSTRUCTIONAL COACH-LITERACY Houston Independent School District**

**The Rusk School-Science and Technology Magnet  
Houston, TX**

**2008-2010**

- Facilitate professional learning communities
- Coordinate staff development
- Model/coach/train teachers in the use of instructional best practices
- Analyze and collect student literacy assessment data to inform instruction
- Model/coach/train content teachers in the elements of literacy-based instruction
- Work with feeder pattern literacy content specialist and campus administration to develop and coordinate a campus 3-tiered intervention model
- Serve as cognitive coach for content area teachers
- Participate in HISD Professional Development Teacher Leader Cohort
- Developed Literacy Wiki and utilize technology to enhance instructional practice
- Facilitate monthly data meeting for ongoing continuous improvement

### **SPEECH INSTRUCTOR/ADMINISTRATOR INTERN Fort Bend Independent School District**

**Hightower High School  
Sugarland, TX**

**2006- 2008      ADMINISTRATOR Intern/Instructor**

- Collaboratively worked with school staff to plan and implement school reform initiatives.
- Assisted principal with establishing sustained relationships with Community Partners
- Coordinated and presented Staff Development
- Assisted with developing projects to increase teacher morale

- Process and assign various forms of disciplines for write ups, conducting student and parent conferences and making counselor referrals when appropriate. • Responsible for Communication Applications instruction

**TITLE 1 COORDINATOR Houston Independent School District**

**Jesse H. Jones High School  
Houston, TX**

**2001-2006**

- Assisted other staff to deliver quality instruction to all students
- Participated and maintained a viable role in the school’s planning process among the high school redesign initiative.
- Monitored No Child Left Behind Requirements
- Conducted and Coordinated Professional Development and Training
- Coordinated Title I Summer School
- Coordinated Parent & Community Involvement
- Assisted in assessing student needs and scheduling services to all students according to individual needs.
- Scheduled, Coordinated, and Supervised Title 1 Extended Day Classes
- Collaboratively assisted with development of School Improvement Plan
- Worked with Smaller Learning Communities to establish Parent and Student Advisory Committees within each community.
- Active member of school’s Shared Decision Making Committee

**SPEECH INSTRUCTOR & LEAD TEACHER**

*Texas Southern Math & Science Academy@ Jesse H. Jones High School*

- Assisted in establishing the culture of the Smaller Learning Community Academy and pathways
- Assisted Smaller Learning Community Teachers with classroom management issues
- Kept the Smaller Community Teachers informed of innovative instructional techniques
- Worked with Smaller Learning Community Teachers on collecting and disaggregating classroom data
- 99% of 9<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolled in Debate passed the reading component of the TAKS
- Responsible for instruction of Communication Applications and Debate Courses

**SELECT ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND POTTER PRESENTATIONS**

2020 *Intersections of Agitation: The fight for justice for immigrants and women of color.* Roundtable participant at the Western States Communication

- Association  
Convention. Denver, CO. (upcoming)
- 2019 *Surviving & Thriving: Encouraging Women of Color in Academia.*  
Roundtable participant at the 105<sup>th</sup> National Communication Association  
Convention.  
Baltimore, MD.
- Identifying with, and advocating for, women of color in college and  
beyond.* Roundtable participant at the Western States Communication  
Association Convention. Seattle, WA.
- 2018 *Barbara Jordan, A Powerful Voice for America: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lecture Series*  
Lecturer, Texas Southern University
- Talk Less and Show More: Presentations, Public Practice, and Pickles*  
Presenter  
*Master your Mindset: Master your Life*  
Keynote Speaker-Oregon Response to Intervention Conference (ORTI) in  
Eugene, OR.
- 2017 *Sí se puede: Mentoring Students of Color in Hispanic Serving Institutions  
(HSIs).*  
Roundtable participant at the Western States Communication Association  
Convention. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2016 *Communication for the Workplace and Leadership Skills-Wagner-Peyser*  
Baytech Cybersecurity Training for Cybersecurity Professionals-San Jac  
Corporate Training  
Trainer, Instructional Design, Facilitator
- 2014 *Presentation Power Workshop Series for Faculty and Staff-San Jacinto  
College-Trainer and Facilitator*
- 2013 *Power-Up and Focus: Action-Planning for Success Learning School  
Alliance (LSA) Presenter-Learning Forward Summer Conference in  
Minneapolis, MN.*
- 2012 *Touch to Achievement: Student Engagement and Literacy Across the  
Curriculum* Presenter at National Alliance of Black School Educators  
Conference (NABSE) in Nashville, TN.

- 2011        *Unleash Your Teacher Power*-Education Empowerment Zone Workshop
- 2010        Examining Best Practices for Literacy Instruction and Mentorship-Kids Hope  
USA

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Carter-Sackey, S. D. (2017). *Talk Less and Show More:16 Professional Learning Strategies that Make Learning Stick*. Houston , TX : Createspace.

Carter-Sackey, Shera D. "Waking the Sleeping Giant Within." Web log post. *Education Week Teacher*. Education Week, 02 Nov. 2012. Web.  
<[http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning\\_forwards\\_pd\\_watch/2012/11/by\\_shera\\_carter\\_sackey\\_recently.html](http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning_forwards_pd_watch/2012/11/by_shera_carter_sackey_recently.html)>.

Carter-Sackey, Shera D. "The 3R's of Learning Time." *Journal of Staff Development* (2012): 46-48. Print.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

National Communication Association  
Western States Communication Association  
National Speakers Association  
Texas Community College Teachers Association

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Adjunct Award for Instructional Excellence-Lonestar College  
Who's Who Among America's Top Teachers  
Finalist-Houston World Affairs Council Teacher of the Year  
Teacher of the Year-Jesse H. Jones High School  
San Jacinto College-Honoraria Award -Board Recognition