CURRICULUM VITAE STEPHANIE Y. MITCHEM

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RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina, 2005-PRESENT Promoted to Professor, Department of Religious Studies June 2008

Chair, Department of Religious Studies

Accomplishments: Working through revision of curriculum; refocusing department vision; chaired and planned university wide events; fundraising re-focused; regular faculty related leadership, such as tenure and promotion, annual reviews, and grant development, in order to advance faculty careers; budged development and management.

Director of African American Studies Program July 2008 to July 2010
Accomplishments: planned and implemented university and community wide events; worked on revision of curriculum; coordinated cross-campus move of the entire unit; began annual undergraduate achievement award' budget development and management.

<u>University of Detroit Mercy</u> <u>Detroit, Michigan, 1993-2005</u>

Tenured and promoted to associate professor August 2002

Chair of Department of Religious Studies 2003 to August 2005
Accomplishments: Served as graduate coordinator; worked to establish faculty governance.

Founding Director of African American Studies program 2000-2003

Accomplishments: Developed basic program, including core courses; solicited core faculty (joint appointments); planned and implemented university wide events.

Director of Women's Studies program 1995-1998.

Accomplishments: Established Academic Committee on the Status of Women under direction of Provost's office; developed speakers' bureau; strengthened program through restructuring directorship.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, June 1998. Northwestern University - Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, Joint Program, Evanston, Illinois.

Master of Theological Studies, magna cum laude, St. John Provincial Seminary, Plymouth, Michigan, 1989.

Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies, magna cum laude, Sacred Heart Seminary College, Detroit, Michigan, 1985.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

- American Academy of Religion
- Society for the Study of Black Religion
- Co-chair, Religions, Medicines and Healing section 2010 to present, American Academy of Religion.
- Committee member, Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society, American Academy of Religion, 2010-present.
- Member, Workgroup on Constructive Theology, beginning 2006-present.

PUBLICATIONS, PARTIAL LISTING:

- "To Make the World Home: Rosemary Radford Ruether and Ecofeminist Theology," volume forthcoming.
- "Pluralism in African American Religious Life," volume forthcoming (Oxford University Press).
- "Black American Women and the Gift of Embodied Spirituality," volume forthcoming. Faith, Health, and Healing Among African Americans, co-editors, Stephanie Y. Mitchem and Emilie M. Townes (Praeger, 2008).
- "Womanist Theology," for *Women and Religions*, edited by Michaela Moravcikova and Lucia Greskova. (2008).
- African American Folk Healing (New York: New York University Press, 2007).
- Name It and Claim It? Prosperity Preaching and the Black Church (Cleveland: Pilgrim Press, 2007).
- African American Women Tapping Power and Spiritual Wellness (Cleveland: Pilgrim Press, 2004).
- *Introducing Womanist Theology,* (Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books, 2002; 7th printing, 2008).

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

- May 2012, "Race, Class, Gender, and Caste as Barriers to Interfaith Dialogue," invited panelist, Ecclesiological Investigations conference, Assisi, Italy.
- June 2011, "Religious Intimacies," invited panelist at Gender, Religion, and Human Rights Conference, European Science Foundation, Linkoping, Sweden.
- November 2010, "African American Religion and Social Class," panelist at American Academy of Religion conference.
- March 2010, SECSOR presentation, invited panelist, "Black Religions in 21st century."

RECENT GRANTS AND HONORS

- February 2012, University of South Carolina Provost grant awarded for Visiting Scholar for Department of Religious Studies.
- July 2010, awarded Academic Leadership Development Fellowship, University of South Carolina.