

2017-2018 Dr. Vera King Farris Fellow

Ms. Garrison Paige



Bio

Garrison Paige received her BA with honors in 2008 from the Center of Afro-American Studies at the University of Michigan. In 2010, she earned her MA from the Department of African American Studies at Temple University and, this summer, will receive her PhD from Temple's Department of Africology and African American Studies for her dissertation titled, *"That's not my name": An Agency Reduction Formation Analysis*.

Ms. Paige published four pieces in *The SAGE Encyclopedia of African Cultural Heritage in North America*: "Molefi Kete Asante Institute," "Negro Digest/Black World," "Seasoning," and "Third World Press." She also presented the following scholarly papers:

- Black is the Color of My True Love's Hair: Affirming Africana Standards of Beauty in the Family
- Mama's Baby or Baby's Mama: Locating and Liberating African People through the Language We Use
- "Keep my name out your mouth": Using Nommo to Locate and Liberate African Women from Name Displacement,"
- "He aint nothin' but my baby daddy, but I ain't nobody's Baby Mama!": The Dislocated African Woman's Contribution toward the Emasculation of the African Male .

Ms. Paige's research interests include:

- African American Vernacular English
- Ebonics
- African and African American Folklore
- African and African American Women Studies
- African Spirituality
- African and African American Cinema
- African American music and African and African American History.

Teaching and Project

In the fall semester 2017, Ms. Paige will teach two General Studies courses: GSS 3295, African American Movies and GIS 4634, Rhetoric of the African Diaspora. Throughout the academic year, she will also work on designing curriculum for a major in Africana Studies.