

Dr. Stacey Chimimba Ault (formerly Stacey Bell)

EDUCATION

University of San Francisco; San Francisco CA

International and Multicultural Education; Human Rights Education

Doctorate in Education: August 2017

Dissertation: *Queens Speak: Exploring critical post traumatic growth among Black female students within the school to prison pipeline.*

College of Executive Coaching; Santa Barbara CA

Certified Professional Coach: December 2019

Focus: *I provide executive and life coaching rooted in racial and gender justice. I partner with Black women, youth and select allies to engage in social justice and equity driven leadership; as well as help individuals and communities move through trauma to freedom and liberation.*

San Francisco State University; San Francisco CA

Pupil Personnel Services Credential: August 2010

California State University, Sacramento; Sacramento CA

MSW: May 1998

Title IVE Student

Master's thesis: *A handbook of African American social work history.*

BA Psychology: May 1993

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I explore Critical Post Traumatic Growth (CPTG) among Black women, youth & communities. I examine CPTG among those most marginalized and vulnerable, for example: Black youth and women involved, or impacted, by incarceration/detention, homelessness, gangs, sexual exploitation and the school to prison pipeline. I am especially interested in complicating our view of trauma, increasing trauma stewardship and exploring non-traditional healing modalities. Lately, I am focusing more on the intersection of Blackness, trauma and joy throughout the diaspora.

I am interested in youth participatory, community action research and collaborative projects related to racial and gender equity.

TEACHING & FACILITATION EXPERIENCE

Sacramento State University; Social Work Department.

Assistant Professor: Social Work; Advanced Policy Studies; Social Work Practice & Field (Child & Family); Cross-cultural Theory and Practice: Issues of Race, Gender and Class.

University of San Francisco; School of Education – International and Multicultural Education Department.

Adjunct Professor: Social Movements & Human Rights.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Power of Now: A Youth Participatory Docu-Research project exploring youth leadership in Sacramento, CA (Sacramento, 2020).

My Brother's Keeper (MBKU): Resisting the school to prison pipeline: Exploring academic experiences of Boys and Young Men of Color (Sacramento, 2019).

Queens Speak: Exploring Critical Post Traumatic Growth among Black female students in the school to prison pipeline (Sacramento, 2017).

PROFESSIONAL & PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Sacramento State University. Professor (2017-Present). Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Social Work Division beginning Fall, 2018. Focus on social justice, human rights and social work practice.

The Race and Gender Equity Project. Founder & Executive Director. (2016-Present). Nonprofit organization harnessing individual and collective transformation through healing, education, advocacy and research. Select projects include:

- Federal grant development & strategic planning; local school district (2019).
- Social Emotional Learning & Cultural Sensitivity; professional learning and teacher coaching; diversity & inclusion; charter school district (2018-2020).
- Independent investigation & subsequent report writing; local independent school.
- Youth Participatory Action Research projects (2019, 2020); Foundation funded.
- Strategic planning & healing; Black run community organizations (2020).

Social Justice Learning Institute. Independent Consultant. (2018-Present). Conducted program & curriculum development, assessment & training; support statewide and inter-state expansion of the Urban Scholars program.

Sacramento City Unified School District. Director III, Youth Development (2010-2018). Develop and lead district youth development and student engagement plan towards WHOLE CHILD, WHOLE YEAR using a Social Justice Youth Development framework; Supervise administration of over 60 Expanded Learning programs, including Before, AfterSchool and Summer; Manage multi-million dollar budget; Develop relationships and build capacity; Set vision for over 400+ staff and partners; Develop and support Prevention Programs and Foster Youth Services; Youth Leadership Conferences and Youth Voice; Equity planning for students of color and low income students, including implementation of Men's & Women's Leadership Academy; District leadership and collaboration; Boys and Girls of Color strategic plan that includes programming, professional learning and policy development.

Sexually Exploited Children and Teens (SECT) Collaborative. Co-Founder (2009-2016). Lead district, local and statewide initiatives and policy efforts. Facilitated WRAP (With Respect and Passion) sessions for adolescent girls inside youth detention and within community and support STREAT Team (Students Together Reducing Exploitation and Trafficking).

Sacramento City Unified School District. Interim Family and Community Engagement Officer. (2012-2013). Cabinet level position providing district level advocacy for students and families. Led implementation of district's strategic plan and other support initiatives.

Sacramento City Unified School District. Supervisor, Foster Youth Services (2006-2010). Coordinated and led Foster Youth Services program providing educational and support services to foster youth throughout the district and the region.

Sacramento County Office of Education. Program Specialist. (2000-2006). Managed and coordinated mentoring and youth development programs in community schools and youth.

County of Sacramento. Children's Protective Services. Social Worker (1998-2000).

PUBLICATIONS

Author, A. A. (in press). Hope as praxis, pedagogy and purpose: Using a Critical Post Traumatic Growth framework to navigate life when life gets in the way. In Templeton, E.; Love, B.H.; Johnson, O. (Eds.), *Elevating marginalized voices in academe: Lessons for a new generation of scholars*. Routledge.

Ault, S.A. (in press). Ault, S.M. Queens Speak: Exploring Critical post traumatic growth among Black female students in the school to prison pipeline. In Atalay, S. & Mcleary, A. (Eds). *The community-based PhD: Complexities, triumphs, missteps and joys of community-based and participatory action research as graduate students*. University of Arizona Press.

Curry, S., VanMeeter, M., Tully, B., Ault, S., Garst, N., Adam, K., Nesmith, A., & White, J. (2020). Beyond a bed: Supportive connections forged between youth who are couch hopping and adult hosts. and *Adolescent Social Work Journal*. 2020. Available at: [Springer](#).

Ault, S.A. (2019). *To ease re-entry, nurture and sustain a youth's natural supports*. Youth Today. Available at: [Youth Today](#).

Bell, E. & Bell, S.A. (2015). *Singing with the Sirens: Overcoming the long-term effects of sexual exploitation*. Berkeley, CA: She Writes Press.

SCHOLARLY & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Curry, S., VanMeeter, M., Tully, B., Ault, S., & White, J. (August 2020). Paper presentation at the Society of the Study of Social Problems (SSSP). *A Closer Look at Couch Hopping: How Youth and Informal Hosts Describe Challenges and the Supports They Need to Stabilize These Arrangements*. San Francisco, CA. [In person conference - canceled due to COVID-19].

Ault, S. & Johnson, J. (May 2020). Workshop presentation at the 33rd Annual National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE). **The Automation of Education: The redefining of the school-to-prison pipeline.** New York, NY. [In person conference - canceled due to COVID-19].

Ault, S. (May 2020). Poster session at the National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE). **Queens Speak: A Youth Participatory Action research project exploring Critical Post Traumatic Growth among Black female students in the school to prison pipeline.** [In person conference - canceled]

Curry, S.R. & Ault, S. (October, 2019). Interactive poster presentation at the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting. **Beyond a Bed: Arrangements between youth at risk of homelessness & hosts.** Denver, CO.

Templeton, E., Ault, S., & Love, B. (May 2019). Panel presentation at the 32nd Annual National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE). **In the throes of the academy: Being Black women in an era of social justice education.** Portland, OR.

Bell, S.A., Camangian, P. & Terriquez, V. (January 2016). Keynote presentation at the Symposium on Engaged Scholarship. **Strategies for Social Justice: Partnering with Schools and Communities for Equitable Policy, Pedagogy and Practice.** University of San Francisco. San Francisco, CA.

Bell, S.A., Murray, L. & Smith, D. (January 2016). **Engaged Scholarship within the School to Prison Pipeline.** Paper presented at the Symposium of Engaged Scholarship: Strategies for Social Justice; Partnering with Schools and Communities for Equitable Policy, Pedagogy and Practice. University of San Francisco. San Francisco, CA.

RELEVANT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Ault, S.M. (December 2019). *Critical Post Traumatic Growth.* Lecture at the Understanding of the Impact of Injury, Violence and Trauma on Mental Health and Wellbeing Among Women and Girls of Color. Los Angeles, CA.

Ault, S.M. (November 2017). *Critical Trauma and Post Traumatic Growth.* Lecture at Statewide Foster Youth Services Program. Sacramento, CA.

Ault, S.M., Issac, Veronica, Scorza, D. & Wells. (October 2017). *MBK Challenges, Opportunities and Lessons Learned.* Keynote plenary panel at the Uplifting MBOC and WGOC in California Conference. Los Angeles, CA.

Ault, S.M. & James, T (October 2017). *Places of Power: Critical conversation on building community, with youth of color, through healing and social justice.* Workshop presentation at the Uplifting MBOC and WGOC in California Conference. Los Angeles, CA.

Ault, S.M., Lopez, O., Perez, H., Salazar, A. & Scorza, D. (July 2017). *Boosting high school completion for boys of color.* Panel moderator for workshop presentation at the MBK Alliance Regional Summit: Building Safe and Supportive Communities.

Bell, S.A., Boyer, K., Delgado, G. & Ramsey, A., (April 2016) *Sisters inspiring change: Uniting voices*. Panel presentation at the Best of Out of School Time (BOOST) Conference: Palm Springs, CA.

Bell, S.A., & Funk, M. (April 2016) *The state of expanded learning in CA: Town hall*. Panel presentation at the Best of Out of School Time (BOOST) Conference: Palm Springs, CA.

Bell, S.A., Lopez, J., Lynch, M.J., Rubalcalba, R. & Sanchez, L. (March 2016). *Improving Educational Outcomes for “Boys and Men of Color”: Practical Strategies for Academic Success*. Panel presentation at the California Association of African American Superintendents and Administrators (CAAASA) 2016 Statewide Professional Development Summit.

Bell, S.A., Miltzer, D. & Sneed, L. (December 2015). *Programming for Middle School Youth*. Panel presentation at the How Kids Learn Conference. Berkeley, CA.

Bell, S.A. (March, 2015). *Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children*. Workshop presentation at the California School Juvenile Officers Association. Monterey, CA.

Bell, S.A., & Boulware Eurie, S. (February 2015). *Sacramento’s multi-system coordination efforts for CSEC*. Presentation at the My Sister’s House Human Trafficking Symposium: Not on our Watch: Ending Human Trafficking Together. Sacramento CA.

Bell, S.A. (2013). *Positive Outcomes for At-Risk Children and Youth: Improving Lives Through Practice and System Reform*. Presentation at the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform. Georgetown University; Washington, DC.

Bell, S.A. (2013). *Effectively Engaging Disenfranchised youth*. Workshop at the 7th Annual Parent Teacher Home Visit Conference, San Francisco, CA.

AWARDS & HONORS

- Comparative & International Education Society (CIES) African Diaspora SIG Emerging Scholar. (2019)
- University of San Francisco: International and Multicultural Education Scholarship Recipient (2015-16, 2016-17)
- Focus on Women Magazine (2017)
- Golden Key National Honors Society (Lifetime)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

- Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Statewide Advisory Member
- Alliance for Boys and Men of Color; Statewide Advisory & Local Member
- Sacramento My Brother’s Keeper; Co-Chair
- Government Alliance on Race & Equity; Sacramento Cohort Member
- Campaign for Black Male Achievement; Member
- Council for Social Work Education (CSWE); Member

- Expanding Student Success; State Superintendent Appointee - Advisory Member
- Golden Key National Honor Society; Lifetime Member
- National Association of Social Workers; Member
- International Federation of Social Workers; Member
- RoccSolid Advisement; Advisory Board Member
- Sexually Exploited Children & Teens (SECT) Community Collaborative; Co-Founder
- International Coaching Federation; Member

nal Honor Society; Lifetime Member