

Allen Chukwuhdi

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Summary

I'm an innovative thinker dedicated to social change, global mental health and increasing public awareness. I've successfully raised over \$500,000 to support the arts and to create sustainable, forward thinking through my ability to build confidence, trust and relationships with key constituents. I'm an experienced salesman that has juxtaposed a career as an entertainment industry professional and, a psycho-historian with the interpersonal and persuasive communication skills of a successful fund-raising steward. I'm methodical, yet original and expressive. MENSA IQ 115

Positions

Former Board member of the NAACP (Staten Island Branch)

Former Director of the Int'l Black Film Festival and Film Forum

Current Director of the African American Development Core

*U.S. Army Veteran

*Employment resume upon request

Education

Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis – Brookline, Massachusetts
[Psy D. Candidate, Psychoanalysis, Society and Culture]

Bachelor of Arts: Psychology, 2020
Fordham University – New York, New York, USA
[Minor in History]

Organizational Behavior and Communications, 2014
New York University – New York, New York, USA
Minor in [African & African American History]
also, studied abroad at the University of Ghana, East Legon, NYU Global

Academic Achievements/Awards: Kwame Nkrumah and the Language of Oppression: Reciprocal Determinism in the Republic of Ghana (a psycho-historical book in progress)

PSYCHOLOGY HONORS ACHIEVED: 30th Greater New York Conference on Behavioral Research (Presenter '18, Fordham University LC)

Towards a De-Colonial Psychology: Theories from the Global South (International Presenter '19, University of Western Cape, SA)

Recipient of the (NYSPA) “Roy Aranda Student Social Justice Award” 2020

Psychology Research:

- (1) *Memory*: because I have an interest in the reliability of legal evidence.
- (2) *Implicit Association*: because I have an interest in how cognition affects racial attitudes
- (3) *Involuntary Memories*: because I have an interest in the effects of PTSD on African Americans [caused by everyday racism] as well as the transgenerational effects of the holocaust.

Research interests: colonialism, generational traumas, social and environmental development, the effects of [racial] PTSD on African Americans

Continuing Education 2019-2020

Into the Mind of the Psychoanalyst: When the Personal Becomes Professional (CMPS)

The Problem of Self Disclosure (NYSPI)

Coping with the Many Faces of Violence (NYSPA/ MPA)

The School to Prison Pipeline: Socially Sanctioned Violence Against Black Girls and Boys (CSPP)

Working Across Racial Lines (NYSPA Div. 39)

Special APA Member Town Hall on the Racism Pandemic (APA)

Virtual Town Hall Meeting on Racism and Racial Injustice (NYSPA Div. of Culture, Race, and Ethnicity)

ApsaA Town Hall Meeting: Addressing Internalized Racism (APsaA)

APA Virtual Conference 2020: (1) The Science of Racism (2) The Perfect Storm for BIPOC: The Emotional Toll of Racism and COVID-19 (APA/SPSSI)

Social Issues and Social Justice: “How Can the Psychological Study of Social Issues Rise to Meet the Challenges of Our Present Moment?” (SPSSI/ APA Div. 9)

Psychoanalysis & Activism, Today (ApsaA)

On the Firing Line: Understanding and Overcoming Stigma Associated with Mental Health in East and West Indian Communities (NYSPA Div. 39)

Interests

Jazz, Vegan Baking, Vegetarian Cooking, Latin Music, Dance, Travel, Africa, Arts, Photography, Culture, Politics, Philosophy, Eastern Religion, Reading, History, Social Causes, Movies & Films.

Affiliations

- APA (American Psychological Association)
- APS (Association for Psychological Science)
- NYSPA (New York State Psychological Association)
- PSI CHI (International Honor Society in Psychology)
- SPSSI (Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues)
- AFP (Association of Fundraising Professionals (NY)
- SAG (Screen Actors Guild/American Federation of Radio and Television Arts (NY)

References

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