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Curriculum Vitae  
**Edna Brown, Ph.D.**

University of Connecticut  
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**Education**

- 2002 Ph.D., Joint Social Work and Developmental Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 1997 M.S.W., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- 1994 B.A., Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA. Major: Psychology; Minor: Education, Frances Perkins Scholar
- 1991 A.A., Rockland Junior College, Suffern, N.Y.

**Positions**

- 8/2015- 8/2019 Associate Department Head, Graduate Studies in Human Development and Family Studies, University of Connecticut
- 8/2013-present Associate Professor, Human Development and Family Studies, University of Connecticut
- 10/2012- present Faculty Affiliate, Africana Studies, University of Connecticut
- 8/2007 – 7/2013 Assistant Professor, Human Development and Family Studies, University of Connecticut
- 8/2005- 7/2007 Assistant Professor, College of Social Work, University of Tennessee
- 2004-2005 Research Fellow, Life Course Development Program, Survey Research Center, and Program for Research on Black Americans, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan
- 2002-2004 National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Michigan

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### **Fellowships, Honors, and Awards**

2013	Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts Research Experience for Undergraduate Students at University of Connecticut–Faculty Advisor
2003-2004	Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research (MCUAAAR) Scholar
2003	Honorable Mention: University of Michigan-Marquis Dissertation Award
1997-2002	National Institute Aging (NIA) Pre-Doctoral Fellowship
1998-1999	Center for the Education of Women Molly H. Dobson Scholar
1997	International Institute Fellowship at HelpAge Ghana, West Africa
1994-1996	Rackham Merit Fellowship
1994	Committee on Institutional Cooperation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship

### **Research Grants**

#### **Awarded**

2017-2019	PI African American Cancer Survivors and Culturally Sensitive Interventions Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts Research Experience (SHARE). Funding to support research apprenticeship for undergraduate students.
2013-2015	PI, Divorce and Well Being. Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts Research Experience (SHARE). Funding to support research apprenticeship for undergraduate students -
2012-2013	PI, “A Focus Group Pilot Study to Examine How Religious Beliefs and Social Relationships May Hamper or Enhance Health Promotion Behaviors Among African American Breast and Cervical Cancer Survivors in CT” Large Faculty Grant proposal to University of Connecticut.
2012-2013	Principal Investigator, Innovative Education in Health and Society: HDFS Educational Program in Research on Social Aspects of Health. Alan R. Bennett sponsored educational program that address social aspects of human health, focused on the synergy between teaching and research.
2011-2012	Principal Investigator, Innovative Education in Health and Society: HDFS Educational Program in Research on Social Aspects of Health. Alan R. Bennett sponsored educational program that address social aspects of human health, focused on the synergy between teaching and research.
2010-2011	Principal Investigator, Provost’s General Education Course Enhancement Grant. University of Connecticut grant for developing online general education course.

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- 2008-2009 Principal Investigator, The Divorce Experience among African Americans, Large Faculty Grant, partially funded – New Faculty Fellowship –2008.
- 2006-2007 Co-Principal Investigator, Employment Services Needs and Resource Assessment for Homeless Individuals; Metropolitan Nashville/Davidson County Mayor’s Commission on Homelessness.
- 2006- 2007 Principal Investigator, Faculty Research Development Award; Easing the Pain: The Role of Spirituality and Social Support in Coping with Advanced Cancer. University of Tennessee, College of Social Work.
- 2003- 2004 Pilot Investigator, Mastery, Family Conflict, and Depressive Symptoms among Grandmothers in Teenage Mother Families. Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research (MCUAAAR).

### **Publications**

\*denotes student author.

Fabius, C., Robison, J., Brown, E. (2020). Racial differences in choice and control among older adults: Results from Connecticut’s money follows the person rebalancing demonstration. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*, 32:2, 172-187, DOI:10.1080/08959420.2019.1589887

Fiori, K., Rauer, A., Birditt, K., Marini, C., Jager, J., Brown, E., & Orbuch, T. (2018). I love you, not your friends: Links between partners’ early disapproval of friends and divorce across 16 years. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 35(9), 1230–1250.

Gürmen, S., Huff, S., **Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T. & Birditt, K. (2017). Divorced yet together: Ongoing personal relationship and co-parenting among divorced partners. *Journal of Divorce and Remarriage*, 58(8), 645-660

\*Simpson, T.E., Robinson, J.L., **Brown, E.**, (2018). Is reflective supervision enough? An exploration of workforce perspectives. *Infant Mental Health Journal* Vol. 39(4), 478–488

\*Gürmen, S., Anderson, S., & Brown, E. (Accepted 03 Jul 2018,) Relationship with extended family following divorce: A closer look at contemporary times. *Journal of Family Issues*

\*Mkuu, R. S., Harvey, I. S., Miryan, J., Green, H. D., Johnson, K., & **Brown, E.** (in revision). So I took my test and turn it into a testimony, my mess into a message": A qualitative study of religiosity and coping among African American breast cancer survivors.

Fiori, K., Rauer, A., Birditt, K., Brown, E., Orbuch, T. (under review) You aren’t as close to my mom as you think: Disagreeing about connections with family and risk of divorce. *Journal of Family Psychology*

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Fiori, K., Rauer, A., Birditt, K., **Brown, E.**, Jager, J. & Orbuch, T. (2017). Social network typologies of black and white married couples: Implications for positive and negative marital quality. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 79(2), 571-589.

\*Peterson, L. T., Orbuch, T.O. & **Brown, E.** (2014). Perceived admiration and transition to parenthood for Black and White married couples. *Journal of Family Social Work*, 17:4, 301-323. DOI: [10.1080/10522158.2014.928659](https://doi.org/10.1080/10522158.2014.928659)

\*Wong, A., \*Ki,P., \*Maharaj, A., **Brown, E.**, Davis, C., & Apolinsky, F. (2014). Social support sources, types, and generativity: A focus group study of cancer survivors and their caregivers. *Social Work in Health Care*, 53(3), 214-232. DOI: [10.1080/00981389.2013.873515](https://doi.org/10.1080/00981389.2013.873515)

Orbuch, T., Bauermeister, J., **Brown, E.**, & \*McKinley, B. (2013). Early family ties and marital stability over 16 years: The context of race and gender. *Family Relations*, 62(2), 255-268.

Taylor, R., Chatters, L., \*Woodard, A., & **Brown, E.** (2013). Racial and ethnic differences in extended family, friendship, fictive kin, and congressional support networks. *Family Relations*, 62(4), 609-624.

**Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T., Bauermeister, J., & \*McKinley, B. (2013). Marital well being overtime among Black and White Americans: The first seven years. *Journal of African American Studies*, 17,290-307.

Pitner, R. O., Yu, M., & **Brown, E.** (2013). Which factor has more impact? An examination of the effects of human capital, perceived environmental crime, and actual crime on community vigilance among low-income African American residents. *Race and Social Problems*, 5(1), 57-64.

**Brown, E.**, Birditt, K. S., \*Huff, S., & \*Edwards, L. L. (2012). Marital dissolution and psychological well being: Race and gender differences in the moderating role of marital relationship quality. *Research in Human Development*, 9(2), 145–164.  
doi:10.1080/15427609.2012.681202

Taylor, R. J., **Brown, E.**, Chatters, L. M., & Lincoln, K. D. (2012). Extended family support and relationship satisfaction among married, cohabiting and romantically involved African Americans and Black Caribbeans. *Journal of African American Studies*, 16(3), 373-389. doi 10.1007/s12111-011-9205-y

\*McKinley, B. D., **Brown, E.**, & Caldwell, C. (2012). Personal mastery and psychological well being among young grandmothers. *Journal of Women & Aging*, 24(3) 177-193.  
doi:10.1080/08952841.2012.639666

Birditt, K. L., \*Hope, S., **Brown, E.**, & Orbuch, T. L. (2012) Developmental trajectories of marital happiness over 16 years. *Research in Human Development* 9(2), 126–144.  
doi:10.1080/15427609.2012.680844

Taylor, R. J., Chae, D. H., Chatters, L. M., Lincoln K. D., & **Brown, E.** (2012). DSM-IV twelve month and lifetime major depressive disorder and romantic relationships among African Americans. *Journal of Affective Disorder, 142*, 339-342. doi.org/10.1016/j.jad.2012.04.017

Pitner, R., Yu, M. S., & **Brown, E.** (2012). Making neighborhoods safer: Examining predictors of residents' concerns about neighborhood safety. *Journal of Environmental Psychology, 32* (1), 43-49. doi: 10.1016/j.jenvp.2011.09.003

Pitner, R., Yu, M. S., & **Brown, E.** (2011). Exploring the dynamics of middle aged and older adult residents' perceptions of neighborhood safety. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work, 54*(5), 511-527. 10.1080/01634372.2011.567322

Birditt, K., **Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T., & McIlvane, J. (2010). Marital conflict behaviors and implications for divorce over 16 years. *Journal of Marriage and Family, 72*, 1188-1204. doi: 10.1111/j.1741-3737.2010.00758.x

**Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T., & Bauermeister, J.A. (2008). Religiosity and marital stability among Black American couples and White American couples. *Family Relations 57*, 185-196. doi: 10.1111/j.1741-3729.2008.00493.x

**Brown, E.**, Caldwell, C., & Antonucci, T. (2008). Religiosity as a moderator of family conflict and depressive symptoms among African American and White American young grandmothers. *Journal of Human Behavior and the Social Environment 18*(4) 397-413. doi: 10.1080/10911350802486718

**Brown, E.** (2007). Care recipients' psychological well being: The role of sense of control and caregiver type. *Aging and Mental Health, 11*(4), 405-414. doi.org/10.1080/13607860600963570

\*Fiori, K. L., **Brown, E.**, Cortina, K. S., & Antonucci, T. C. (2006). Locus of control as a mediator of the relationship between religiosity and life satisfaction: Age, race, and gender differences. *Mental Health, Religion and Culture, 9*, 239-263. doi.org/10.1080/13694670600615482

\*Fiori, K. L., McIlvane, J., **Brown, E.**, & Antonucci, T. C. (2006). Social relations and depressive symptomatology: Self-efficacy as a mediator. *Aging and Mental Health, 10*(3), 227-239. doi:10.1080/13607860500310690

\*Sy, S., **Brown, E.**, \*Amsterlaw, J., & Myers, J. (2005). Attachment parenting: A media activity for developmental psychology research methods. *Psychology Learning and Teaching, 4*(2), 112-116.

**Brown, E.** (2000). Elder abuse in the African American community. *African American Perspectives, Spring-Summer*, 105-114.

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## Book Chapters

**Brown, E.** & \*Green, D. H. (2014). Elder abuse. In L. Ganong & M. Coleman (Eds.), *Social History of American Families* (pp. 427-429). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

**Brown, E.** & \*McKinley, B. D. (2013) *African Americans*. In R. E. Emery & G. J. Golson (Eds.), *Cultural Sociology of Divorce* (pp. 39-46). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

**Brown, E.** (2010). Work, retirement, race, and health disparities. In T. C. Antonucci & J. S. Jackson (Eds.), *Annual Review of Gerontology and Geriatrics: Life-Course Perspectives on Late-Life Health Inequalities*, 29, (pp. 233-249). New York: Springer Publishing.

**Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T., & \*Maharaj, A. (2010). Social networks and marital stability among Black American and White American couples. In K. Sullivan & J. Davila (Eds.), *Support Processes in Intimate Relationships* (pp. 319-334). New York: Oxford University Press.

**Brown, E.** (2009). African American Families. In H. T. Reis & Sprecher (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Human Relationships* (pp. 60-62). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Jackson, J.S., Antonucci, T.C., **Brown, E.E.**, Daatland, S.O., \*Sellers, B. (2008). Race and ethnic influences on normative beliefs and attitudes: Toward provision of family care. In A. Booth, A.C. Coulter, S. Bianchi, & J.A. Seltzer (Eds.), *Intergenerational Caregiving* (pp. 317-331). Washington, D.C.: Urban Institute Press.

**Brown, E.**, Jackson, J.S., & \*Faison, N. (2006). The work and retirement experiences of Aging Black Americans. In J. B. James & P. Wink (Eds.), *Annual Review of Gerontology and Geriatrics: The Crown of Life: Dynamics of the Early Post-retirement Period* Vol. 26, (pp. 39-60). New York: Springer.

Orbuch, T., & **Brown, E.** (2006). Divorce in the context of being African American. In M. Fine & J. Harvey (Eds.), *Handbook of Divorce and Dissolution of Romantic Relationships* (pp. 481-498). New Jersey: Erlbaum.

Chadiha, L., **Brown, E.**, & Aranda, M. (2006). Social work practice with older African Americans and other Black populations. In B. J. Berkman & S. D'Ambruso (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Social Work in Aging* (pp. 247-256). New York: Oxford University Press.

Antonucci, T. C., \*Fiori, K. L., & **Brown, E. E.** (2006). Religion and spirituality at the end of life: A lifespan approach. Invited entry in E. Dowling & W. G. Scarlett (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Spiritual and Religious Development in Childhood and Adolescence* (pp. 141-2). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Jackson, J. S., **Brown, E.**, Antonucci, T., & Daatland, S. O. (2005). Ethnic diversity in aging, multi-cultural societies. In M. Johnson, V. Bengston, P. Coleman, & T. Kirkwood (Eds.), *The*

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*Cambridge Handbook of Age and Ageing* (pp. 476-481). Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

**Brown, E.** & Jackson, J. S. (2004). Age-related issues among minority populations. In C. Spielberger, and R. K. Lee (Eds.). *Encyclopedia of Applied Psychology* (pp. 79-90). London: Elsevier.

Jackson, J. S., Antonucci, T.C., & **Brown, E.** (2004). Cultural lens on biopsychosocial model. In P.T. Costa & I.C. Siegler (Eds.), *Advances in Cell Aging and Gerontology, Vol 15* (pp. 221-241). New York: Elsevier.

### **Presentations at Professional Meetings**

\*Ward, C., \*Taylor, R., Brown, E. (2019) The social influence on HIV testing among Black students at a predominately White institute. Annual Frontiers Undergraduate Research Conference, Storrs, CT

\*Simpson, T.E., Robinson, J.L., Megan, C., Brown, E. (2018 May). Workplace supports for infant mental health professionals: An exploration. World Association for Infant Mental Health Congress, Rome, Italy.

\*Ward, C., Brown, E. & Small, K. (2018). The Association between Comorbidities and Diet and Exercise among African American Breast Cancer Survivors. Annual Frontiers Undergraduate Research Conference, Storrs, CT

\*Reid, A. & Brown, E. (2017, November). Parental Involvement, gender equity, parent-child relationship quality and marital quality. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, Fla.

Fiori, K. L., Rauer, A. J., Birditt, K. S., **Brown, E.**, & Orbuch, T. (2016, November). *Considering marital instability within the broader family context: A focus on race and gender.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.

\*Mkuu, R. S., Jara, M., Harvey, I. S., Green, H. D., **Brown, E.** (2016, March). *Religiosity and coping among African American breast cancer survivors.* Research presented at the 37th Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC.

**Brown, E.**, Harvey, I. S., \*Ford, C., \*Green, H. D., (2014, November). *Barriers and resources for health behavior changes among African American cancer survivors: A focus group pilot study.* Poster presented at The 142<sup>nd</sup> American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Exposition, New Orleans, LA.

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**Brown, E.**, Orbuch, T., \*Yoo, Y., & Birditt, K. (2014, November). *Religiosity and Marital Stability over 16 years among Black American and White American Couples*. Paper presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington, D.C.

\*Green, H. D., **Brown, E.**, Harvey, I. S., & \*Ford, C. (2014, December). *Impact of support for African American breast cancer survivors*. Poster presented at the meeting of the 2014 National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities Grantees' Conference, National Harbor, MD.

\*Gurman, S., \*Huff, S., & **Brown, E.** (2014, November). *Divorced yet still together: Ongoing personal relationship among divorced co-parents*. Paper presented at The National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Fiori, K., **Brown, E.**, Birditt, K., & Orbuch, T. (2012, November). *Does Personality Matter? Race Differences in Interactions between Spousal Personality Traits Predicting Marital Well-being 16 Years Later*. Paper presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Fiori, K., Birditt, K., **Brown, E.**, & Orbuch, T. (2012, November). *Social Network Typologies of Black and White Married Couples: Implications for Positive and Negative Marital Quality*. Paper presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Diego, CA.

\*McKinley, B., Jung, E., **Brown, E.**, & Caldwell, C. H. (2012, November). *Role of Parental and Father of Baby Support in Teenage Mothers' Adjustment*. Poster presented at the 74<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations, Phoenix, AZ.

\*Ki, P., \*Wong, A. G., & **Brown, E.** (2012, April). *Social support of cancer survivors and their family*. Poster presented at the Conference of the Connecticut Division of American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, Mystic, CT.

**Brown, E.**, Birditt, K., \*Huff, S., & \*Edwards, L. (2011, November). *Does a good marriage make a good divorce? Effects of first year marital relationship on psychological well being overtime. Till death do us part: Contexts and implications of marriage, divorce, and remarriage*. Symposium presented at Gerontological Society of America's 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA.

Birditt, K. L., \*Hope, S., **Brown, E.**, & Orbuch, T. L. (2011, November) Developmental trajectories of marital happiness over 16 years. *Till death do us part: Contexts and implications of marriage, divorce, and remarriage*. Symposium presented at Gerontological Society of America's 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA.

Pitner, R. O., Yu, M., & **Brown, E.** (2011, August). ). Making neighborhoods safer: Examining predictors of residents' concerns about neighborhood safety. Poster Presented at Division 20-



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Adulthood Development and Aging, of the American Psychological of America Annual Convention, Washington, D. C.

Pitner, R. O., Yu, M., & **Brown, E.** (2011, August). *Which crime has more impact? An examination of the effects of perceived crime and actual crime on community vigilance among African Americans*. Poster Presented at Division 45-Ethnic Minority Issues of the American Psychological of America Annual Convention, Washington, D. C.

**Brown, E.**, Bauermeister, J., & Orbuch, T. (2010, November). Family-Based Ties in Early Marriage and Couples' Marital Stability over Time. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

\*McKinley, B. D., **Brown, E.**, & Caldwell, C. (2010, November). *Personal Mastery and Psychological Well Being among Young Grandmothers*. Poster presented at the National Council of Family Relationship Conference, Minneapolis, MN.

Orbuch, T., Birditt, K., **Brown, E.**, & \*Marshall, V (2010, July). The implications for marital conflict among Black American and White American Couples. Paper presented at International Association for Relationship Research Conference, Herzliya, Israel.

Birditt, K. & **Brown, E.** (2009, July). Keeping Quiet or Fighting it Out: A Longitudinal Study of Marital Conflict and Well-Being. Paper presented at XIX International Association of Gerontology & Geriatrics 2009 World Congress in Paris, France.

**Brown, E.** & Sherman, A. (2008, November). E. Brown & A. Sherman (Co-Chairs), *Risk and Resiliency in Social and Cultural Contexts*. Symposium presented at the Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.

**Brown, E.** & \*Maharaj, A. (2008, November). *Divorce Adjustment: The Role of Race and Gender*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.

**Brown, E.**, \*Maharaj, A., & Davis, C. (2008, November). *Individuals and Families Coping with Advanced Cancer: Receiving and Providing Social Support*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.

**Brown, E.** (2008, July). The Experience of Divorce in the Context of Race and Gender. . Paper presented at the International Association of Relationship Research Conference, Providence R.I.

McIlvane, J. M. M. \*Lunsman, M., \*Mingo, C. M., Birditt, K., & **Brown, E.** (2008, November). *African American and White Women with Daily Stress and Arthritis: Examining Different Contexts for Coping*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.

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**Brown, E.,** Orbuch, T., & Bauermeister, J. (2007). *Religiosity and Marital Stability among Black American and White American Couples*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.

Davis, C. & **Brown, E.** (2007, November) *Individuals and families coping with advanced cancer: the role of spirituality*. Poster presentation at the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.

\*Sellars, B., **Brown, E.,** Antonucci, T. C., & Jackson, J. S. (2007, August). *Immigrant/Ancestry Status and Ethnic Differences in Family Relations and Filial Obligations within the Black Community*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Society 19th Annual Convention, Washington, D. C.

**Brown, E.,** Orbuch, T., & \*Talaska, C., \*Brown, N. (2006, January). *The risk of divorce in Black couples and White couples: The role of religiosity*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, E.,** Orbuch, T., & \*Talaska, C. (2005, November). *Striving and surviving: Black couples and White couples coping with divorce*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

\*Sellars, B., **Brown, E.,** and Jackson, J. (2005, August). *Ethnic differences in family relations and obligations within the Black community*. Paper presented at the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

\*Sellars, B., **Brown, E.,** and Jackson, J. (2004, November). *Attitudes about services among African Americans and Caribbean Americans*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

**Brown, E.,** Jackson, J. S., Antonucci, T. C., & Daatland, S. O. (2004, August). *Ethnic diversity in aging, multi-cultural societies*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

**Brown, E.,** Jackson, J., & \*Faison, N. (2004, November). *The work and retirement experiences of aging Black Americans*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

**Brown, E.** & Jackson, J. S. (2004, July). *Psychological health among working and retired African American elderly*. Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Conference, Honolulu, HI.

**Brown, E.,** Caldwell, C., & \*Blair, J. (2004, July). *Mastery and depressive symptoms among grandmothers in teenage mother families*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Conference, Honolulu, HI.

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**Brown, E.,** Caldwell, C., & \*Blair, J. (2004,). Psychological health of grandmothers in teenage mother families. *Grandparenting: An increasing influence on the health of urban children.*

Paper presented at the Children's Health Conference at Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.

Orbuch, T., **Brown, E.,** & Veroff, J. (2004, July). *The early development of marriage and accounts of divorce.* Paper presented at the International Association for Relationship Research Conference, Madison, WI.

**Brown, E.,** Fiori, K. & Orbuch, T. (2003, November). *Marital tension, sense of control, and depressive symptoms in Black and White couples.* Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.

**Brown, E.** & Orbuch, T. (2003, July). *Social relations and marital well-being among Black and White Couples.* Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Conference in Toronto, ON, Canada.

Orbuch, T. & **Brown, E.** (2003, July) *Who will divorce over 14-years of marriage: The effects of love, affirmation and commitment?* Paper presented at the Compassionate Love Conference, Normal, IL.

**Brown, E.** & Orbuch, T. (2003, August). *Differences in Black and White couples' reports of parenting perceptions and marital quality.* Poster presented at the Society for Research on Child Development Conference, Tampa, FL.

**Brown, E.** (2002, November). *The effects of caregiving factors and sense of control on elderly care recipients depressive symptoms.* Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of American Conference, Boston, MA.

**Brown, E.,** Caldwell, C. & Antonucci, T. (2001, November). *Religiosity and Depressive Symptoms Among Grandmothers and Teenage Mothers.* Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America Conference, Chicago, IL.

**Brown, E.** & Antonucci, T. (2000, July). *Psychological distress and emotional support in fathers of adult children.* Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Conference, Washington, and D. C.

**Brown, E.,** (1997, April). *Religiosity, parenting styles and child outcomes.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference in Washington, D. C.

Caldwell, C., & **Brown, E.** (1997, April). *Testing the intergenerational stake hypothesis.* Paper presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Washington, D. C.

Caldwell, C. & **Brown, E.** (1996, November). *Reciprocity among grandmothers in teenage mother Families.* Paper presented at the 1996 Gerontological Society of America Conference, Washington, D. C.

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## **Teaching Experiences**

### Undergraduate Courses

*Diversity in Human Development and Family Studies*

*Aging in American Society*

*Gender and Aging*

*Adulthood and Aging*

*Research Methods*

### Graduate Level Courses

*Adult Development and Aging*

*Minority Families/Diversity in*

*Program Evaluation Research*

*Research Methods*

*Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (Pregnancy to Adolescence)*

*Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (Young Adulthood to Late Adulthood)*

## **Invited Guest Lecturer/Speaker**

*UConn NAACP-Black in America III- Healthy Relationships and Black Families, Invited Panelist*

*Marital Dissolution and Psychological Well Being: Race and Gender Differences in the Moderating Role of Marital Relationship Quality, Society for the Study of Human Development, Invited Webinar Presentation*

*African American Families, Institute for African American Studies, University of Connecticut, Invited Guest Lecturer*

*Divorce in the Contexts of Race and Gender, Institute for African American Studies, University of Connecticut, Invited Guest Colloquium Speaker*

*Applied Psychosocial Aspects of Aging, Department of Gerontology at Eastern Michigan University, Invited Guest Lecturer*

*Statistics in Developmental Research for Advanced Research Methods in Developmental Psychology, University of Michigan, Invited Guest Lecturer*

*Social Gerontology, Department of Sociology, Eastern Michigan University, Invited Guest Lecturer,*

## **Professional Activities and Development**

### **Professional Development**

*Turner Geriatric Clinic, University of Michigan Hospital. Training in clinical, psychosocial, and family assessment of clinic patients (ages 55-*

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100). Collaborated with team members (physician, nurse, social worker) to develop intervention and/or treatment plans for elderly clients.

*HelpAge Ghana, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.* Collaborated with United Nations affiliated social agency servicing the elderly in Ghana. Performed agency assessment and outcome evaluation for various programs; conducted case study interviews with elderly individuals; assisted project manager in developing work projects for elderly.

### **Other Professional Service**

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| 2019-2020      | Search Committee: Health Disparities -College-wide cluster hire of three faculty in the area of ethnic/racial health disparities.  |
| 2014- 2016     | UConn President's Athletic Advisory Committee. Assists UConn's President in the support and oversight of athletics   |
| 2013-present   | Individualized and Interdisciplinary Majors Program- Advisory and Admissions Committee   |
| 2013- 2019     | <i>Graduate Admissions Committee</i> – The committee processed, evaluated, and made decisions regarding students' applications for admission to HDFs doctoral and master's programs.   |
| 2011- 2013     | <i>The Center of Excellence in Health Disparities Research (COE).</i> Collaboration of various scholars with the Health Disparities Institute (HDI) to develop an effective approach to the reduction of health disparities in Connecticut.  |
| 2010-Present   | <i>Graduate Student Scholarship Committee.</i> The committee processed, evaluated, and made decisions regarding students' applications for departmental and university funding.  |
| 2009-2012      | <i>University of Connecticut's General Education Oversight Committee (GEOC) Content Area 4 Diversity and Multiculturalism (2009-2012).</i> Subcommittee faculty forum responsible for developing and revising learning objectives/goals and creating and revising student outcomes for the Diversity and Multiculturalism Content Area (CA4), which includes approximately 140 approved courses. |
| 2008 - present | <i>Advisory Board of the Africana Institute Studies</i> at the University of Connecticut. The Board advises the Institute on curriculum innovations, faculty retention, student recruitment, and campus and community outreach.  |

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2007-2010 *Courses and Curriculum Committee.* Tasks involves reviewing, evaluating current course offerings and suggesting new descriptions and/or new courses. Reviewing and evaluating course requirements for degree, evaluating prerequisites for courses.

2008 *Merit Committee* – Evaluate and make recommendations for faculty Merit awards.

Ad Hoc Reviewer:

2011-present *Family Relations*

2010-present *American Psychologist*

2008-present *Journal of Family Issues*

2008-present *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*

2008-present *Developmental Psychology*

2007-present *Personal Relationships, Journal of the International Association for Relationship Research*

1998-present Gerontological Society of America; Active in the society through the organization of various symposia, annual presentations, workshop attendance, student mentor. Serve as a program reviewer and a reviewer for conference abstracts.

2012-2013 National Conference on Family Relations-professional association for the multidisciplinary understanding of families

2009-2010 International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) —Reviewer for conference abstracts for; Mentorship Committee member; Co Organizer of New Scholars Workshop.

### **Community**

2014 2017 Community: Appointed by House Majority Leader Joseph Aresimowicz to the African American Affairs Committee

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