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SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY | Vice Provost for Faculty Development, Pathways & Public Interest Technology | 2018–Present

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY STEINHARDT | Associate Dean for Faculty Development & Diversity | 2015–2018

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY | Interim Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Media, Culture, and Communication | 2014–2015

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY CAREER

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY | Professor of Media, Culture and Communication | 2018–Present

Associate Professor | 2007–2018 • Assistant Professor | 2001–2007

Nationally recognized scholar whose research has shaped contemporary understanding of artificial intelligence, digital technology, race, democratic participation, media, and public policy. Maintains an internationally recognized research portfolio while serving in senior executive leadership.

- Author of forthcoming book, *AI & the Dream of Freedom* (Bloomsbury); Author of *Black Software* (Oxford University Press), recognized as a landmark contribution to the history of computing, race, and digital technology.
- Author or editor of six books and more than thirty peer-reviewed articles and book chapters.
- Principal investigator and collaborator on externally funded research supported by the National Science Foundation, Ford Foundation, Microsoft Research, Democracy Fund, Spencer Foundation, and other leading organizations.
- Frequent keynote speaker and advisor to universities, governments, foundations, and industry leaders on AI, technology, and higher education.

BOARD, NATIONAL & PUBLIC LEADERSHIP

- Board President, Data & Society Research Institute.
- Member, U.S. National Committee for CODATA (National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine + International Science Council).
- Advisor Group Member, National Science Foundation, Technology, Innovation & Partnerships Directorate, Innovation in Society Working Group.
- Founding Advisory Board Member and Co-Chair of Ethics Committee, International Panel on the Information Environment.
- Member, NYU Information Technology Venture Fund Board; Member, NYU Life Sciences Venture Fund Review Board;
- Member, Social Science Research Council Just Tech Advisory Board.

- Advisor, Accenture Ventures Black Founders Development Program; Advisory Board member, Institute for Economic and Racial Equity at Brandeis University; Advisory Board member, NYU Institute for Human Development & Social Change.

SCHOLARSHIP & THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

- Congressional testimony before the U.S. House Committee on Financial Services on the impact of AI on capital markets and jobs in the financial services industry.
- Additional scholarly work includes more than thirty peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters, edited volumes, commissioned reports on algorithmic discrimination and race-targeted digital advertising, and public scholarship in Slate, MIT Technology Review, The Guardian, CNN Opinion, The Atlantic, and related outlets.
- Selected recent public engagement includes keynote addresses and convenings at Academy of Computing Machinery Fairness, Accountability & Transparency (FAcCT); Howard University, Duke University, Stanford University, Carnegie Mellon University, the University of Toronto, the Smithsonian Institution, the National Academies, the Royal Society, and the Public Interest Technology University Network.

SELECTED PUBLIC WRITING & MEDIA LEADERSHIP

- Publishes widely for academic, policy, and public audiences in venues including MIT Technology Review, The Guardian, CNN Opinion, Slate, The Atlantic, Fast Company, and Newsday.
- Selected essays address AI, racial justice, digital advertising, algorithmic discrimination, the history of computing, media, and democratic participation.
- Frequently featured in interviews, podcasts, and book profiles by major media outlets, including The Verge, Public Books, Science Friday, The Washington Post, and Fast Company.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Communication, University of Oklahoma
- M.H.R., Human Relations, University of Oklahoma
- B.A., Family Psychology, Oklahoma Baptist University