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Education

M.A. 1989 Southwestern Theological Seminary

B.S. 1981 University of Mary Hardin Baylor

Additional Graduate Studies in Sociology

2006 & 1999 University of Northern Iowa

1999 Appalachian State University

Teaching Experience

2015-Present Online Adjunct Instructor- Texas A&M University - Commerce

2012-2017 Online Adjunct Professor: The Citadel

1999-Present Adjunct Instructor: College of Charleston

1999-2013 Adjunct Instructor: Trident Technical College

1999-2009 Adjunct Instructor: Charleston Southern University

2001-2003 Visiting Professor: Charleston Southern University

1998-1999 Adjunct Instructor: Appalachian State University

1995-1996 Adjunct Instructor; Dallas Baptist University

Courses Taught

Dallas Baptist College

New Age Movement

Appalachian State University

Introduction to Sociology

Contemporary Social Issues

Charleston Southern University

Introduction to Sociology

Contemporary Social Issues

Marriage and Family

Freshman Orientation

Sociology of Religion

Criminology

Social Psychology

Trident Technical College

Introduction to Sociology

Contemporary Social Issues

On-line Intro Classes

College of Charleston

Introduction to Sociology

Contemporary Social Issues

Sociology of Family

Sociology of Peace

Peace Lab

Gender & War: Women as Peacemakers

FYE: Sociology of Peace

Restorative Justice

The Citadel

Introduction to Sociology

Juvenile Delinquency

Sociology of Peace

Restorative Justice

Texas A&M Commerce

Social Psychology

Social Class, Wealth & Power

Minority Groups

Deviance Behavior

Professional Experience

2008-2014 **Director/Founder: Charleston Peace One Day (CP1D)**

A community (501c3) nonprofit organization that is educating South Carolina about the International Day of World Peace and community peacebuilding through city-wide festival/state-wide initiatives, local educational event, etc. Charleston Peace One Day also works year around teaching peace-building skills to various groups throughout the community and promoting intercultural cooperation. CP1D 's festival tripled in size in one year. CP1D is a positive peace initiative. CP1D and CofC peace students have planted over 15 peace poles in the city. www.bepeaceful.org

2001-2008 **Director/Founder, Project HopeStart**

A community organization that works with children from the local homeless shelter, providing opportunities; culturally, educationally, as well as recreationally. With the help of college student chaperones, HopeStart had seven college interns from Charleston Southern University. HopeStart participated in over twenty-six events during its seven year span.

1995-1996 **Researcher, Watchman Fellowship, Inc.**

Duties included research, filing, and organizing packets to send to inquirers regarding particular groups. Watchman is a religious movement organization and provided invaluable information during the Koresh takeover.

1982-1990 **Secondary-Public School Teacher:**

Taught sociology, life science, biology and coached basketball/track at middle & high schools in Red Oak, Grandview and Lancaster, Texas.

Grant Support

2015	Faculty Online Training Course – College of Charleston	\$ 500
2015	Faculty Online Training Course-The Citadel	\$1,500
2015	Faculty Fellows Service Learning & Civic Engagement-The Citadel	\$ 2500
2014	Faculty Technology Institute Summer Media Training	\$ 700
2013	Faculty Small Project Grant	\$ 700
2010	Faculty Technology Institute	\$ 700
2010	City of Charleston Cultural Affairs, Chas.	\$ 1,250
2009	City of Charleston Cultural Affairs, Charleston	\$ 1,250
2008/09	Charleston Peace One Day, Circular Church, Charleston	\$ 3,250
2003	Project HopeStart, Circular Church, Charleston, South Carolina	\$ 5,150
2002	Project HopeStart, Circular Church, Charleston, South Carolina	\$ 5,150

Awards

2014	Inaugural College of Charleston Distinguished Adjunct Faculty Teaching Award
2013	Charlie Magazine – 50 Most Progressive Award
2008	College of Charleston Outstanding Departmental Adjunct Award
2007	College of Charleston Outstanding Departmental Adjunct Award

Scholarly Publications

- 2018 Parker, Reba, Introduction to Sociology, Canada: Top Hat Publishing.
- 2017 Parker, Reba, Restorative Justice, Canada: Top Hat Publishing.
- 2016 Parker, Reba, Sociology of Peace, Canada: Top Hat Publishing.
- 2011 Parker, Reba, "Is Community Peace Possible?" *The Social and Scientific Construction of Violence*, Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press.
- 2011 Parker, Reba, "Building Tangible Peace in the South." *Journal of Peace and Conflict Studies*, 17: 45-62.

Popular Publications

- 2012 Parker, Reba, "What If Peace Were Popular?" *The Peace Chronicle*, Winter Edition.
- 2011 Parker, Reba, "What if Peace Were Popular?" NewClearVision, <http://www.newclearvision.com/2011/11/15/peace-happens/>
- 2011 Parker, Reba, Interview with Fletcher Crossman. Apple Thief Documentary. Alexander Fox Production, Circular Church, Charleston, South Carolina.
- 2005 Parker, Reba, Interview for article regarding homeless children project, *Seeking Hope, Reba Parker is a Field-Tripper*, December, Skirt Magazine, Charleston, South Carolina.

Reviews

- 2002 Reviewer for *Sociological Outlook* text

Professional Lectures

- 2015 Parker, Reba Keynote Speaker, South Carolina Sociological Student Conference, Charleston, S.C.
- 2014 Parker, Reba. *The Stories We Tell: Crafting Critical Narratives for Social Change*, workshop facilitator, Diversity Education and Training, College of Charleston.
- 2014 Parker, Reba. Mini-Lecture to the Accepted Student's Day weekend, College of Charleston, on Sociology of Peace class
- 2013 Parker, Reba. *Learning Strategies in Non-Violent Communication*, workshop facilitator, Diversity Education and Training, College of Charleston.
- 2012 Parker, Reba. Mini-Lecture to the Accepted Student's Day weekend, College of Charleston on Sociology of Peace class.
- 2012 Parker, Reba. College of Charleston, Sociology/Anthropology Brown Bag Lecture: *Sociology of Peace & Community Action*.
- 2011 Parker, Reba. PEACE HAPPEN "State-Wide Initiative for Peace Awareness and Action." Panel Title: *New Peace Messaging, Christian Brothers University*, Memphis, TN. Peace and Justice Studies Association Conference.
- 2011 Parker, Reba. Park Circle Film Series, *Praying Devil Back to Hell*. After film-Expert on Community Peacebuilding, question/answer session.
- 2009 Parker, Reba. "One Class, One Movement, in the South," Panel Title: Building Peace Through Education & Local Organizing, Marquette University, Peace and Justice Studies Association Conference.

Professional Trainings

- 2018 Certification – Top Hat Innovation Educator Certificate – Level 1
- 2016 Certification – Online Faculty Development Course – Texas A&M Commerce
- 2015 Certification – Online Faculty Development Course- The Citadel.

- 2015 Certification – Online Faculty Development Course – College of Charleston.
 2014 Parker, Reba. Summer Peacebuilding Institute, Graduate class on *Restorative Justice and Community Peacebuilding*, Eastern Mennonite University/Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, Virginia. (Summer 2014)
 2013 Parker, Reba. *Teaching Peace in the 21st Century*, a week-long faculty development training, Notre Dame University & Kroc International Peace Studies.
 2010 Parker, Reba. Emory University, Non-Violent Resistance Conference/Workshop, International Center for Nonviolence Training Session.

Faculty Club Advisor

College of Charleston, Student Peace Alliance: 2009-2015
 College of Charleston, Toms Shoes: 2010

Community Projects

Daniel Jenkins Alternative School: co- created a *Conflict Resolution* class for at risk middle school students in partnership with college mentees from College of Charleston, Citadel and Trident Technical College. North Charleston. 2013.

Joshua Project: co-created the *Conflict Resolution, Peace and Ethics Curriculum Program* including classes around topics of violence, morals/ethics, peace studies, conflict resolution for at risk youth and their families of Charleston Farms, North Charleston. 2012.

Internship Advisor for Sociology Department Internship Program: Served as advisor for intern with non-profit *Charleston Peace One Day*. 2011-2012.

Charleston Symphony Orchestra presents *The Evolution of a Dream*, celebrating the Life of Martin Luther King. I was invited to speak on local peace actions and *Charleston Peace One Day*. 2011.

Charleston Peace One Day Festivals: Led and organized the *Charleston Peace One Day Festivals* at Brittlebank & Riverfront parks. This was a student led event with College of Charleston Sociology of Peace students and the *Student Peace Alliance* serving key roles of organization and support. 2008-2010.

2001-2008: **Project Hopestart:** Founded a program (*Project HopeStart*) for the homeless children and their families of Crisis Ministries, Charleston, S.C. My college students (College of Charleston, Charleston Southern, Trident Technical College) would chaperone the children/families on field trips to places such as MOJO festival, River Dogs Hockey, IMAX movies, James Island Christmas Lights, & Cooper River Bridge Run...just to name a few.

Affiliations

2015 Advisor – Branch of Peace Foundation

2012-2013 Board Member- Coastal Interfaith Council-Charleston

2012-Adjunct Board Member-Interfaith Partners of South Carolina

2009-Present Member: Peace and Justice Studies Association

2008-2014 President/Founder: Charleston Peace One Day

2001-Present Member: South Carolina Sociological Association

2007-Board Member: South Carolina Equality Coalition

2006-Leadership Team: Alliance for Full Acceptance

2002-05-Board Member: Circular Congregational Church, Charleston, South Carolina

References

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