

## DEE LISA A. COTHRAN, PH.D. CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

2005	<b>Washington University in St. Louis</b> Degree: <b>Ph.D.</b> Social and Personality Psychology Chairperson: Randy J. Larsen, Ph.D.	<b>St. Louis, MO</b>
2002	<b>Washington University in St. Louis</b> Degree: <b>A.M.</b> Social and Personality Psychology	<b>St. Louis, MO</b>
1999	<b>Tennessee State University</b> Degree: <b>B.S.</b> Psychology (summa cum laude)	<b>Nashville, TN</b>

### POSITIONS HELD

2005-present      **Assistant Professor**, Psychology Department  
The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

### GRANTS, HONORS & AWARDS

2009-2010	UTC Faculty Research Grant (\$9,000; Project description: Implement initial stages of UTC faculty mentoring program)
2009-2010	UTC Faculty Research Grant (\$15,000; Project description: Design and implement UTC Women's Studies Program's student mentoring program)
Summer 2009	Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad Participant (Senegal); Project Goals: 1. Integrate Seminar Information into my <i>Psychology of the Black Experience</i> course (PSY 242) and into my <i>Psychology of Women</i> course (PSY/WSTU 451); and 2. Explore Ethnic Identity Development of Senegalese University Students
2008-2009	<i>Exceptional Merit</i> distinction within the UTC Psychology Department (an honor reserved for the year's top performers within each department at the university)
2008	Undergraduate mentee, Ms. Rachel Kelly, named "Exemplary Scholar" at Summer 2008 UTK McNair Program
2008	UTC Faculty Research Grant (\$14,000; Project description: Design UTC faculty mentoring program)

2008	UTC Research Associate Award
2007	UTC Faculty Research Grant (\$2,800; Research project title: Youth's Attitudes Toward Marriage and Family)
2007	UTC Speakers and Special Events Grant (Supported travel of Dr. Jonathan Livingston, keynote speaker of UTC's Psi Chi Ceremony and guest lecturer in the Psychology Department's Colloquium Series)
2007	UTC Faculty Development Grant (Supported travel to 39 <sup>th</sup> Annual ABPsi International Convention to present research)
2006-2008	UTC Faculty Development Grant (Established and Facilitated an Interdisciplinary Colloquium Series 2006-2008)
2005	Undergraduate Research Mentee, Ms. Tonicia S. Brandon, won an Honorable Mention award for her presentation at the UTC Psychology Department's Research Methods Poster Session.
2003	Washington University Mary McLeod Bethune Award
2001-2005	NIMH Supplement Grant (to parent grant: 3 RO1 MH63732-O1S1; Principal Investigator: Randy J. Larsen, Ph.D.)
1999-2005	Washington University Chancellor's Fellow
1999-2000	American Psychological Association Minority Fellow
1999	Ford Foundation Honorable Mention
1999	Psi Chi Honor Society
1999	Beta Kappa Chi Honor Society
1999	Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
1999	Golden Key Honor Society
1999	Sigma Xi Honor Society
1999	M.I. Claiborne Scholarship and Character Award (Tennessee State University)
1997-1999	NIH/MARC Fellow (Tennessee State University)
1997	Phi Beta Lambda Business Fraternity
1997	University of Tennessee at Knoxville Ronald McNair Fellow

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- ◇ Personality and emotion
- ◇ Prejudice and discrimination
- ◇ Mentoring and development

### MANUSCRIPTS (PUBLISHED AND UNPUBLISHED)

#### **I. Abstract in print**

**Cothran, D.A.** & Fitzhugh, E.C. (1999). Ethnic perspectives of parental attitudes and beliefs regarding talking to their children about cigarette-smoking behavior. *Countdown: The University of Tennessee, Knoxville McNair Scholars Journal*, 2, 13.

## II. Manuscripts in print or in press

Campbell, M. L., Lee, S.A., & **Cothran, D. L.** (in press) Mysticism matters: Distinguishing between intrinsic religiosity, extrinsic religiosity, and spirituality using higher-order factors of personality and mysticism. *Archive for the Psychology of Religion*. (thesis student first author)

Hammond, V.L., Watson, P.J., O'Leary, B.J., & **Cothran, D.L.** (2009). Preliminary assessment of Apache hopefulness: Relationships with hopelessness and with collective as well as personal self-esteem. *American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research*, 16, 42-51.

Khodarahimi, S., & **Cothran, D.L.** (2009). Gender differences in identity processing style and Islamic religiosity in an Iranian undergraduate university sample. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*, vol. 5, article 5.

O'Leary, B.J., Durham, C.R., Weathington, B.L., **Cothran, D.L.** & Cunningham, C.J.L. (2009). Racial identity as a moderator of the relationship between perceived applicant similarity and hiring decisions. *Journal of Black Psychology*, 35, 63-77.

**Cothran, D.L.** & Larsen, R.J. (2008). A comparison of inhibitory processing in two timed reaction tasks: The color Stroop and emotion Stroop tasks. *The Journal of Psychology: Interdisciplinary and Applied*, 142, 373-385.

Khan, Z. H., Watson, P. J., & **Cothran, D. L.** (2008). Self-control in Pakistani Muslims. *Journal of Beliefs and Values*, 29, 203-205.

**Cothran, D.L.** (2007). Group polarization. In R.F. Baumeister & K.D. Vohs (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Social Psychology*. (Vol. 1, pp. 397-398). Thousand Oaks: Sage.

Kiene, S., Barta, W., Zelenski, J., & **Cothran, D.L.** (2005). Why Are You Bringing Up Condoms Now? The Effect of Message Content on Framing Effects of Condom Use Messages. *Health Psychology*, 24, 321-326.

## III. Manuscripts under review

**Cothran, D.L.** (under review). The role of facial affect in race-based threat perception.

**Cothran, D.L.**, Bryan, J., & Wittke, A. (under review). Women's studies coursework influences attitudes toward women and men but not definitions of "feminist"

**Cothran, D.L.**, Larsen, R.J., Zelenski, J., & Prizmic, Z. (under review). Do emotion words interfere with naming emotion faces and vice versa? Stroop-like interference versus automatic vigilance for negative information.

## IV. Manuscripts in preparation

**Cothran, D.L.** (in prep). *An examination of students' and parents' perceptions of the public school education system and the extent to which it prepares them to achieve future goals.*

**Cothran, D.L.**, Brandon, T., Durham, C., Suchy, P., & Campbell, M. (in prep). *Attitudes predict intentions to discriminate against mentally ill persons.*

**Cothran, D.L.** & Medley, B. (in prep). *An application of the Theory of Planned Behavior to adolescents' intentions to get married.*

#### **V. Completed Unpublished Manuscripts**

Bernard, H., Biderman, M., Brown, N., **Cothran, L.**, Guess, P., Horne, C., Ritz, S., & Medley, B. *Faculty/Staff Work Life and Diversity Study* (report submitted to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga June 30, 2009)

**Cothran, D.L.** & Hammer, E.D. *The effects of message framing on perceptions of out-group members.*

**Cothran, D.L.**, Hetts, J., & Reid, J.D. *Correlations among attitudes toward Africans/African-Americans, women and gays and lesbians.*

**Cothran, D.L.** & Larsen, R.J. *The test-retest reliability of the Color and Emotion Stroop tasks.*

**Cothran, D.L.** & McJunkin, T. *Report of the Tennessee Young Women's Leadership Academy Foundation: Hamilton County students' and parents' perceptions of the education available in the public school system of Hamilton County, Tennessee* (report submitted to the Tennessee Young Women's Leadership Academy Foundation March 15, 2008)

Smithson, J., **Cothran, D.L.**, Ross, D., & Ourth, L. *I love you but I'm not in love with you: Attraction and love differences in romantic and platonic cross-sex relationships.* (student thesis)

Suchy, P., O'Leary, B.J., **Cothran, D.L.**, & Ourth, L. *The relationships among interracial friendship, personality, and racial attitudes.* (student thesis)

Thomas, S., & Cothran, D.L. *Exposure to rap music positively influences levels of aggression.* (student project for class, *Research Methods* )

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Cothran, D.L.**, Partridge, C.L., & Williams, D. (**March, 2010**). *Community and vicarious stress predict illness in Black women.* Paper presented at the Spring 2010 SEPA Convention. Chattanooga, TN.

**Cothran, D.L.**, & Medley, B. (**August, 2009**). *An application of the Theory of Planned Behavior to adolescents' intentions to marry, have children and cohabit.* Paper excerpt presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Association of Black Psychologists' International Convention. Atlanta, GA.

Bryan, J., & **Cothran, D.L.** (**November, 2008**). *The Effect of Women's Studies Coursework on Attitudes Toward Women and Men.* Paper presented at the 2008 Tennessee Psychological Association. Nashville, TN. (student first author)

Campbell, M.L. & **Cothran, D.L.** (**May, 2008**). *Validation of a New Measure of Attitudes Toward Mental Illness.* Paper presented at the 2008 Association of Psychological Science Convention. Chicago, IL. (student first author)

**Cothran, D.L. & Campbell, M.L. (May, 2008).** Emily Versus LaKeshia: Race Impacts Intent to Discriminate Against Mental Illness. Paper presented at the 2008 Association of Psychological Science Convention. Chicago, IL.

Thomas, S.L., Lawson, T., Johnson, C., & **Cothran, D.L. (October, 2007).** The effect of rap music on aggression. Paper presented at the 2007 Tennessee Psychology Association Annual Convention. Nashville, TN. (*student first, second, and third authors*)

**Cothran, D.L.,** Brandon, T., Durham, C.R., Suchy, P. (**August, 2007**). *Attitudes predict intentions to discriminate against mentally ill persons.* Paper presented at the 39<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association of Black Psychologists. Houston, TX.

**Cothran, D.L. (April, 2007).** *Race, Gender, and Body Image: A Roundtable Discussion on Women in Cinema.* Panel Discussant at 2007 Southeastern Women's Studies Association Conference. Chattanooga, TN.

**Cothran, D.L. (July, 2006).** *The benefits of being a Ronald McNair Fellow.* Keynote address given at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual SAEOPP/UTK McNair Scholars Conference. Knoxville, TN.

**Cothran, D.L. (June, 2006).** *Graduate School: Getting in and what to do when you get there.* Keynote address given at the annual Target Hope Conference at Washington University in St. Louis. St. Louis, MO.

**Cothran, D.L. (May, 2005).** *Threat perception in emotive Black faces: An extension of Payne (2001).* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society. Los Angeles, CA.

**Cothran, D.L. & Larsen, R.J. (July, 2004).** *A comparison of inhibitory processing in two timed reaction tasks: The color Stroop and Emotion Stroop Tasks.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Black Graduate Conference in Psychology. Ann Arbor, MI.

**Cothran, D.L. & Larsen, R.J. (May, 2004).** *A Comparison of Inhibitory Processing in Two Timed Reaction Tasks: The Color Stroop and Emotion Stroop Tasks.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society. Chicago, IL.

**Cothran, D.L.,** Hetts, J., & Reid, J.D. (**May, 2003**). *Correlations Among Attitudes Toward Africans/African-Americans, Women and Gays and Lesbians.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society. Atlanta, GA.

Kiene, S., Barta, W., Zelenski, J., & **Cothran, D.L. (February, 2003).** *Framing of condom-use messages: The distinction between relationship-threatening and preventative health behaviors.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology. Los Angeles, CA.

**Cothran, D.L.** & Larsen, R.J. (**June, 2002**). *The Emotion Face-Word Stroop Task*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society. New Orleans, LA.

**Cothran, D.L.**, Larsen, R.J., & Zelenski, J. (**May, 2001**). *Personality and performance on positive and negative emotion Stroop tasks*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL

Larsen, R.J., **Cothran, D.L.**, & Zelenski, J. (**May, 2001**). *Cardiovascular reactivity to the emotional Stroop task*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.

**Cothran, D.L.** & Hammer, E.D. (**June, 2000**). *The effects of message framing on perceptions of out-group members*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society. Miami, FL.

**Cothran, D.L.**, Schneider, T. & Salovey, P. (**November, 1998**). *Effects of message framing and involvement on mammography use in low-income women*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National NIH/MARC Conference. New York City, NY.

Barrett, H.R., Nettori, N., Alexander, K., **Cothran, D.**, & Jernigan, T. (**April, 1998**). *Physiological reactivity in caffeine addiction: Environmental and affective cues*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Middle Tennessee Psychological Association Conference. Nashville, TN.

**Cothran, D.A.**, & Fitzhugh, E.C. (**November, 1997**). *Ethnic perspectives of parental attitudes and beliefs regarding talking to their children about cigarette smoking behavior*. Paper presented at the National NIH/MARC Conference. New Orleans, LA.

## COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Psychology (PSY 101 - Faculty Manager for sections taught by graduate students)  
Psychology of the Black Experience (PSY 242)  
Topics Contemporary Social Science (UHON 316 & UHON 317)  
Social Psychology (PSY/SOC 331)  
Theories of Personality (PSY 448/PSY 596)  
Psychology of Women (PSY 451)  
Individual Study with a number of students (PSY 498)  
Multicultural Psychology (PSY 499/PSY 596)  
Psych Teaching Practicum (PSY 597)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### **I. University**

2008-2010                      May 2008, August 2008, December 2008, December 2009, May 2010  
Commencement Ceremonies, **Assistant Marshall**

2008                              UTC Upward Bound Program, **Guest Speaker**

2007-present	UTC, Women's Studies Committee, <b>Member</b>
2007	UTC Black Students' Association event: "Negativity in the Black Community: Problems and Solutions", <b>Guest Speaker and Panelist</b>
2007	UTC, Women's Studies Committee, <b>Planning Committee Member for the 2007 SEWSA Conference</b>
2006	UTC University Bound Program , <b>Professor</b> for the course: Introduction to Psychological Concepts
2005-present	UTC Africana Minor Committee, <b>Member</b>

## II. Psychology Department

2007-2008 2006-2007 2005-2006	Research Methods Poster Session, <b>Judge (for either the fall semester, the spring semester or both semesters)</b>
Spring 2010	UTC Women's Studies Colloquium Series, <b>Co-Coordinator</b>
Spring 2009 Spring 2008 Spring 2007 Fall 2006	UTC Psychology Department Colloquium Series, <b>Coordinator</b>
2006	Committee to complete Title II (of the ADA) Action Guide, <b>Member</b>
2005-2007	UTC Psi Chi, <b>Faculty Advisor</b>
2005-2006	Brochure Design Committee, <b>Member</b>

## III. Disciplinary

2010	Ad hoc Reviewer <i>Language, Learning</i>
2007-2009	Ad hoc Reviewer <i>Journal of Black Psychology</i>
2007-2008	Ad hoc Reviewer <i>Journal of Muslim Mental Health</i>
2007	Conference Submissions Reviewer <i>39<sup>th</sup> Annual ABPsi International Convention</i>
2006-2008	Ad hoc Reviewer <i>Journal of Psychology: Interdisciplinary and Applied</i>
2004-2005	Ad hoc Reviewer <i>Cognitive Therapy and Research</i>

## IV. Community

2008-present	Chattanooga Girls Leadership Academy, <b>Inaugural Member of the Board of Directors</b>
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2008	October 22 <sup>nd</sup> CHOICES Women's Resource Center's movie night event on UTC's campus. <b>Panel Discussant</b> on the movie, <i>Bella</i> .
2008	Future Business Leaders of America State Competition - Impromptu Speech, Finalist Round, <b>Volunteer Judge</b>
2007-2009	Multiple Sclerosis Walk, Chattanooga, TN, <b>Volunteer</b>
2008	Chattanooga C.A.R.E.S. Strides of March, <b>Volunteer</b>
2007-2008	Tennessee Young Women's Leadership Academy of Chattanooga (TYWLAC), <b>Consultant</b>
2007-2010	Girls Incorporated of Chattanooga, <b>Member of the Board of Directors, and Member of the Planning Committees for the 2007 Girls Inc. Blast Off and Spring 2008 Girls Inc. Unbought and Unbossed Events</b>
2007-present	TSUNAA Chattanooga Chapter, <b>Vice-President</b> (projects include community service and scholarship promotion)
2007	National Technology Student Association - High School Division Prepared Speech, <b>Judge</b>
2003-present	TSUNAA Local Chapter (St. Louis and Chattanooga), <b>Member</b> (projects include community service and scholarship promotion)
1999-2001	Mathews-Dickey Boys' Club, <b>Tutor</b>
1998-1999	Each One/Teach One Program at Tennessee State University, <b>Tutor</b>

### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association for Psychological Science  
Association of Black Psychologists  
National Women's Studies Association  
Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Southeastern Psychological Association