

Vinetta Goodwin Witt, Ph.D.
 Department of Sociology
 Appointed: 2000

1. Academic Degrees:

Ph.D.	University of South Carolina	1999	Sociology
	University of South Carolina	1998	Gerontology
M.A.	Clark-Atlanta University	1977	Sociology
B.A.	South Carolina State University	1976	Sociology cognate in Psychology

2. Professional Experience:

2000-Present	Newberry College	Professor of Sociology Instruction
1999-2000	Newberry College	Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology
1994-1999	University of South Carolina	Graduate Assistant/Instructor
1988-1994	Midlands Technical College	Program Director of Human Services, Gerontology, Early Childhood Development
1983-1994	Midlands Technical College	Sociology Instructor
1987-1991	University of South Carolina	Adjunct Faculty
1991&1998	Columbia College	Guest Lecturer
1979-1983	Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council	School Intervention Coordinator
1977-1979	Greenwood Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse	Educational Representative

3. Presentations:

“Opportunity Structures for Older Adults in Baptist Churches in South Carolina,” South Carolina Conference on Aging, Hilton Head, SC, November 2003.

“Opportunity Structure for Older Adults in Faith Communities,” Association of Black Sociologists 33rd Annual Conference, Atlanta GA, August 2003.

“Strategies for Maintaining Healthy Sex and Intimacy in Your Marriage”, Couples Ministry Annual Retreat, First Calvary Baptist Church, Columbia, SC, January 2003.

“Marriage: Developing a Strong Relationship”, Fall Lecture Series and Revival, New Ebenezer Baptist Church, Columbia, SC, October 2002.

"Time To Be Real", New Ebenezer Baptist Church Women's Conference, Columbia, SC. August 2002.

“Opportunity Structure for Older Adults in Faith Communities”, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August, 2000.

“Researching Opportunities for Older Adults Using the Survey Method” Association for Gerontologist in Higher Education Annual Meeting, Myrtle Beach, SC, February, 2000.

“Life Satisfaction in Late Adulthood: Role Transitions and Participation in Formal Organizations”, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, August, 1998.

“Association Between Social Factors and Life Satisfaction Among Older Adults,” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, August, 1997.

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- “Intergenerational Exchanges: The Strong and the Wise,” New Ebenezer Church School, Columbia, SC, June, 1997.
- “Collective Wisdom: Recognize, Access, and Share,” Southern Organization for Human Services Education Annual Conference, Charleston, SC, March , 1995.
- “Sociology in Action: Teaching in Diverse Settings,” Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Raleigh, NC, April, 1994.
- “Teaching Sociology at a Community College,” Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chattanooga, Tenn., April, 1993.
- “Who’s Keeping Score? Creating Balance in your Family,” Women Celebrating Women Conference, Columbia, SC, March, 1993.
- “Sociology in Action: Engaging the Community in Experiential Learning,” What Makes Teachers Great Conference, Florence, SC, September, 1989.
- “Intercultural, Interdisciplinary, Intergenerational Exchange,” Community College Humanities Association Regional Conference, Savannah, Georgia, October, 1988.

4. Service:

2010-2012	President of the SC Sociological Association	
2008-2010	Vice President of the SC Sociological Association	
2006-2009	Awards Committee for the American Sociological Association Section on Teaching and Learning	
2007-2008	National Representative for the Board of Directors of the SC Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	
2006-Present	Vice President of the Board of Directors of the SC Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	
2005-2007	Faculty Council at Newberry College	
1997-2000	Committee on Hate and Bias Acts for the American Sociological Association	
1992-1995	Council for the Section on Undergraduate Education of the American Sociological Association	
1988-1991	Committee on Teaching for the American Sociological Association	
1982-1983	Greater Richland Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association	Treasurer

5. Awards/Recognitions:

1988	Midlands Technical College, Arts and Science Division	Teacher of the Year
1989	Midlands Technical College	Junior Master Teacher
1992-1993	Human Services Student Organization	Mentor Award
1997	New Ebenezer Baptist Church	Community Service Award
1994-1998	American Sociological Association	Minority Fellow
2008	Newberry College African American Alumni Association	Faculty/Staff of the Year
2009	Value Based Learning Program	Professor of the Year for Participation in Service Learning
2009	SC Independent Colleges & Universities	Professor of the Year for Newberry College

6. Professional Membership:

American Sociological Association
 Section on Aging and Lifecourse
 Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities
 Section on Teaching and Learning
Association of Black Sociologists
Southern Sociological Society
South Carolina Sociological Association
Gerontological Society of America
Association of Gerontologists in Higher Education
South Carolina Gerontological Association