

Alumni News

Michela (Mildred) Coffaro (MUND-1963) is the Chair of the Sustainability Committee of the Town of Milton, Delaware. She is also a psychologist in four Nursing Homes.

Daniela Lostumbo-Frelly (BA-2006) has been has a position in management and massage therapy for Oregon's #1 voted spa/hotel by Travel and Leisure magazine and Forbes.

Daniela and Ethan Frelly (listed below) are proud parents of 2 year old Enzo.

Katie Bachtell (PhD-2007) moved to the San Diego area with her husband and three small children two years ago. She works remotely for NORC at the University of Chicago as a Senior Research Director in the Economics, Justice, and Society Department.

Ethan Frelly (BA-2008) was just named board of directors for his local chamber of commerce as

well as inducted into a second non profit board that organizes city events in Wilsonville, Oregon, a little town of 50,000. He has been the Master of Ceremonies for the City Street Fair and Christmas Tree lighting.

Diana Therese M. Veloso (Ph.D.-2012) was promoted to Assistant Professor V and is on her second term as the Graduate Studies Program Coordinator of the Behavioral Sciences Department at De La Salle University in the Philippines. She has conducted research on gender-based violence among people displaced by armed conflict in the Islamic City of Marawi, located in the Southern Philippines. Diana recently moderated a conference session at the Asia-Pacific Innovations Forum in Pattaya, Thailand, in January of 2018. She has also been giving lectures on victimology for criminologists and criminal justice practitioners all over the Philippines.

Francis Flynn (BA-2015, MA-2017) was hired by BMO in October for the position of administrative specialist. He works in the risk department at the 111 W Monroe building in Chicago in an admin/support role and directly supports the US Chief Risk Officer for BMO. Francis feels that his sociology degree has well equipped him for dealing with the real world in ways many people would not think of.

George Wilson (BA-2017) recently was hired in a market research job at Shapiro+Raj.

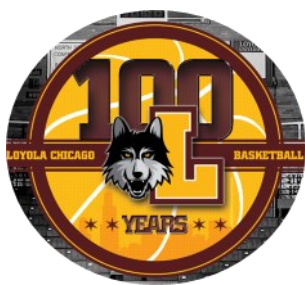
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Loyola Men's Basketball All-Century Team Sociology Majors

Loyola Men's Basketball celebrated 100 years of collegiate basketball by naming 25 players to the "All Century Team". Of these players, 9 were Sociology majors. We congratulate "our" players:

*Darius Clemons
Milton Doyle
Keith Gailes*

*Carl Golston
Javan Goodman
Jerry Harkness*

*LaRue Martin
Blake Schib
Andre Wakefield*

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Justine Finn (BA-2008) is grateful for the opportunity as a Sociology student at Loyola to investigate the root causes of social problems, ranging from systemic racism, poverty and sexism to wage and education gaps, and to have developed some capacities to begin addressing these issues. In writing her senior Honors Sociology thesis in 2007 on what was being done to prevent sexual assault at Loyola, Justine found that most institutions and communities were doing little to address or prevent relationship and sexual violence. Since, then she has worked in the field of gender equality, sexual violence and education. In 2016, she founded an organization at the Harvard Innovation Lab, [Relation-Shift](#), after receiving the 2016 Harvard Entrepreneurship in Education Award.

Relation-Shift works side-by-side with schools and communities to prevent, respond and resolve relationship and sexual violence, bullying and harassment amongst middle and high-school aged youth. Relation-shift does this by providing customized and data-driven assessment services, workshops and trainings for educators, parents, and students and technical assistance to organizations and schools. So far, she has trained over 2,000 district and school leaders, educators and coaches and over 2,500 students in HI, IL, ME, MA, MN and WI. (www.relationshipproject.com).

Ronnell Crittenden (BA-1995) has recently finished writing his first business fable book that has a focus on women in leadership.

The Path to Leadership is an easy-to-read fable that offers profound advice to anyone who wants to rise to a position of responsibility in any organization. Funny and touching, it offers insights into life that anyone can relate to. It can help you find your way in your job or in your community.



The Path to Leadership: An Amazing Story of Challenges and Personal Growth tells the simple story of a lion who needed to find his mission in life. When Maximus was passed over for a leadership position, he fell into self-pity and lost his will to become the leader he could be. Then after a wise beetle forced him to confront himself, Maximus set off on an arduous personal journey of discovery. Along the way he was tested in ways he hadn't imagined, and each test left him stronger and wiser.



*Loyola Alumni Weekend
June 8th to June 10th, 2018*

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Eleanor V. Fails Alumni Lecture

On Thursday, March 15, 2018 the Sociology Department sponsored the second Eleanor V. Fails Alumni Lecture. The speaker was Dr. Derrick Brooms, Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Cincinnati who received his PhD in Sociology from Loyola University in 2010. He specializes in the sociology of African Americans in urban environments, particularly black males, with research and activism that focus on educational equity, race and racism, diversity and inequality, and identity. His book is [*Being Black, Being Male on Campus: Understanding and Confronting Black Male Collegiate Experiences*](#) (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2017).

Dr. Brooms' lecture was titled, "‘Every day we wake up with something to prove’: Black Men on Resistance, Resilience and Community in College”



Dr. Ayana Karanja with Dr. Derrick Brooms



Dr. Brooms with students, faculty and alumni



Dr. Brooms' presentation



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Eleanor V. Fails

The Eleanor V. Fails Lecture Series is made possible through the generous contribution of Eleanor V. Fails (1930-2015). Dr. Fails earned her second MA and Ph.D. in Sociology at Loyola University Chicago in the late 1960s. While at Loyola, she was a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross and was known as Sister Christopher Marie. Dr. Fails was a professor at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh where she rose through the ranks to Chair of the Sociology Department. Her legacy funds an annual alumni speaker series, alumni panels and research and travel opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.