

# Kim Worthington

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### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. History, Princeton University** **expected January 2019**  
Thesis: "Claiming the past to shape the future:  
the writing of Nelson Mandela, 1975-1994."  
*Committee: Emmanuel Kreike, Simon Gikandi, Isabel Hofmeyr, Jacob Dlamini*
- M.A. History, Princeton University** **2015**  
Major field: Modern Africa  
Minor fields: Pre-colonial Africa, The African Novel  
Language exams passed: Spanish, Dutch, Portuguese, Afrikaans  
*Committee: Wendy Belcher, Simon Gikandi, Emmanuel Kreike*
- Universidade de Lisboa, Instituto de Cultura e Língua Portuguesa,** **2014**  
Level 1 certificate
- M.A. History, with distinction, University of Connecticut** **2013**  
Primary field: Authoritarian regimes of the southern hemisphere in the  
late twentieth century.
- M.Sc. Psychology, (ABD), Bangalore University** **2001**  
Statistical Research Methodology; Freudian Analytics;  
Counselling Psychology; Social Psychology; Abnormal Psychology
- Honours Degree Psychology, with distinction, Rhodes University** **1996**  
Honours Theoretical Courses: Research Methodology;  
Foundational Issues; South African Psychology in Transformation;  
Object Relations Theory; Gender Studies  
Honours Practical Courses: Rape Crisis Counseling Skills;  
Projective Testing. An interview-based Jungian Thesis.
- B. A. Psychology and English, with distinction, Rhodes University** **1995**

### ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

Princeton Graduate School Dean's Completion Fellow / Postgraduate Research Associate,  
Princeton University, 2018-19  
Scholarly Conference Presentation Funding, Program in African Studies, 2018  
The Laurance S. Rockefeller Graduate Fellowship at the University Center for Human  
Values, Princeton University, 2017-2018

University Center for Human Values Research Grant, 2017-18  
 The Richard Stillwell '21 '24 and Agnes Newhall Stillwell Merit Fellowship, Princeton University, 2017-18  
 Dissertation Research Grant, Department of History, 2015-17  
 Scholarly Conference Presentation Funding, Program in African Studies, 2016  
 Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Department of History, 2014-15  
 International foreign language research grant, Department of History, 2014  
 Centre for Human Values Merit Grant, Princeton University, 2013  
 UNESCO Chair and Institute of Comparative Human Rights Fellowship, 2011-2013  
 Graduate Assistantship, University of Connecticut, 2011-2013  
 Government of India Scholar, International Council on Cultural Relations, 2000-2001  
 Rhodes Master's Degree Scholarship, 1996  
 Rhodes University Full Academic Colours, 1996  
 Rhodes Honours Degree Scholarship, 1995  
 Rhodes University Academic Half-Colours, 1994  
 Joint Matriculation Board (JMB), with distinction, 1991  
*R.A. Moore-Dyke Senior School English Essay Competition* winner, 1990 and 1991  
 Matric prizes for Biology and English, 1991  
 Academic Standards, Colours, and Honours, 1990 and 1991  
 Bronze Shield Award in *The President's Award Scheme*, 1988  
 Easter Cape Cultural Standards, 1990  
 Provincial representative, Eastern Cape, *South African Youth Symposium*, Phuteng, 1990  
 Kingswood College Prefect Award  
*Ernest Oppenheimer Memorial Trust Bursary* for Secondary and Undergraduate Tertiary Education, 1988-1995

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Princeton Humanities Architectural Planning Study  
 History Department student representative on University planning committee for 2026 Campus Plan to assess space issues for the Humanities  
 Princeton University Diversity Panel  
 UNESCO Chair Student Ambassadors for Human Rights Program Director  
 Projects included the Labyrinth; Peer Education; Education Link; UNESCO/UN Relationships; Fair Trade Chocolate Project; Community Service; Women's Day; UNESCO Chair Alumni network  
 Rhodes University Administration Sexual Harassment Research Project workshop manager

## TEACHING

### *University of Connecticut*

History 3202: "International Human Rights," with Professor Amii Omara-Otunnu, Spring 2012 and Spring 2013  
 History 3201: "The History of Human Rights," with Professor Amii Omara-Otunnu, Winter 2012

### *Rhodes University*

Transpersonal Psychology Workshop, 1995  
 Counselling Skills, 1995  
 South African Psychology in Transformation, 1995

### *Non-academic teaching and mentoring*

University Center for Human Values Undergraduate Mentor, Princeton University, 2017-18

Firestone Library Research Assistant Supervisor, 2014-18

UNESCO Chair Ambassadors for Human Rights Group Leader, 2011-13

South African Youth Council Leadership Training Program Coordinator, 2001

Gay and Lesbian Organisation of Pretoria Counselling Skills Training leader, 1998

### **CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

“Excavating the Text: Unearthing Mandela's Buried Tale from Robben Island,”

Presentation at 12th Greater New York Area African History Workshop, Colombia University, March 2, 2018

“Using archives:” presentation for colleagues on preparatory work in using a range of public and private archives, and ways to maximise opportunities and limitations in the field, Princeton University, February 27, 2018

“Claiming the past to shape the future: Political prison writing and democracy,”

Presentation to the University Center for Human Values Graduate Fellows Program, October 11, 2017

“Rethinking the Past: The Writing of Nelson Mandela,” Presentation at Princeton Research Day, Princeton University, May 11, 2017

“The Writing of Nelson Mandela,” Presentation at the *African Studies Association* Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., December 1, 2016

“The Transformation of Global History, 1963-1975,” at Princeton University, Conference co-organizer, with Benjamin Sacks and Natalie Berkman, October 9-10, 2015

“8<sup>th</sup> Greater New York Area African Historians Workshop,” at Princeton University, Assistant to organizers, Emmanuel Kreike and Zachary Kegan-Guthry, March 28, 2014

Facilitator of and delegate to the *Annual UNESCO Chair Global Intergenerational Leadership Training Programme*, 2011, 2012, 2013

South African government delegate to the World Economic Forum's Southern Africa Economic Summit, Durban, June 2000

South African Government representative and cultural program organizer at the *12th Summit Conference of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Movement*, Durban, South Africa, August 29 to September, 3 1998

### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

Please refer to my website's Research page: <https://www.kimworthington.net/academic-interests/>

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### **Archives**

Archives & Special Collections, University of Connecticut Library; National Archives (Kew); Archives & Special Collections, Senate House Library, University of London; Bodleian Library Collections at Oxford University; South African National Archives Repository, Pretoria; Western Cape Archive, Cape Town; Liberation Movement

Archives at the University of Fort Hare, Alice; Historical Papers research archive at the University of the Witwatersrand; numerous international media archives, including Associated Press, Time Magazine, Times Media, and others. Personal archives of a number of research subjects and interviewees, including Gail Gerhart, William Philipps, Ahmed Kathrada, Mac Maharaj, Peter Magubane, and others.

### **Oral Histories**

Part of my dissertation research has included a series of interviews with key players in Mandela's ambit, both before and in prison and beyond. Working with Princeton University's Mudd Manuscript Library I have developed an archival collection which will open to the public and be available online in June 2019.

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

**Information Research Assistant**, Firestone Library, Princeton University, 2014-2018

**Secretary** to the School Council, Perth Waldorf School, 2007-2009

**Assistant researcher**, *Aboriginal Health and Cancer project, International Health, Curtin University of Technology, 2007-2008*

Work involved encoding interviews, organizing, attending and recording meetings with relevant role-players in the health sector and Aboriginal community, and general research support and preparation of papers for the project

**Project Co-ordinator**: *Researcher, writer, editor, and exhibition organizer on contract to Kagiso Exhibitions, Cape Town, 2004-2005*

*INSITE exhibition, 2005*

Conceptualization and project development to delivery on a tender for the Department of Science and Technology (South Africa) international INSITE Exhibition.

*UNESCO World Heritage Meeting Exhibition, Durban, South Africa July 2005*

Kagiso Exhibitions was appointed by the Department of Arts and Culture (DAC) to research, install, and manage the exhibition for the international UNESCO World Heritage Meeting in Durban. I was tasked with organizing the exhibition, identifying and communicating with relevant stakeholders, and optimizing project delivery.

*Aichi World Expo, Aichi, Japan 2005*

Kagiso Exhibitions was appointed by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to research, design, and install the exhibition for the South African Pavilion at the 2005 World Expo, the largest exhibition event of its kind in the world. I was appointed Project Manager. The primary objective was to project South Africa as a viable and attractive investment and tourist destination. To this end, the exhibition highlighted South Africa's macro-economic stability and advanced technology, infrastructure and services in the areas of science & technology, communications, transport, banking and finance, energy, health, safety and security, etc., while at the same time promoting the country's considerable tourism, cultural and natural assets and attractions. Six key government departments, as well as all nine provinces, participated in the development and implementation of the project, with Kagiso Exhibitions managing the stakeholder input. The exhibition, from March to October 2005, attracted well over 10 million visitors.

**Researcher** and ghost-writer on *Memoirs of Ahmed Kathrada*, 2002-2004

**Speech-writer and researcher** for the Minister and Deputy-Minister: Department of Science and Technology and Department of Arts and Culture (Commenced May 2002, contract ended May 2003, did not wish to renew)

From 2001 to 2002 I was engaged in studying towards an MSc Degree on a scholarship from the ICCR, Government of India, at Bangalore University. A family medical emergency necessitated my return to South Africa before completion of the degree.

**Consultant** in public relations, project conceptualization, media-, research- and Strategic Planning (*Working for Water Programme; South African Youth Council; and others*), 2000-2001

**Marketing Director and Strategic Manager** of *New Hearts Project* for children living on the streets in the Cape Town area, (voluntary basis), 2000-2001  
I developed and implemented a strategic plan to harness the skills of professionals at local businesses in accessing resources for children living on the streets of Cape Town. For instance, I approached a local advertising company to design and print a logo for the organization, a local supermarket chain to commit to a weekly food donation, and local civic organizations to provide spaces for recreational and psychological services for the youth.

**Research assistant** to Ahmed Kathrada, former Parliamentary Counsellor to President Nelson Mandela, (voluntary basis), 2000-2001

**Director of the Office of the Minister of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology**, and Program Manager, Program One of the Department, 1999-2000  
Project manager and program administrator; drafting of articles, letters, press releases and speeches for the Minister's consideration; research work; media and public liaison; management of staff of Program 1; financial management; liaison between Minister and Director-General

**Media Liaison Officer** to Minister, 1999  
Research, speech-writing, management of the Minister's relationship with the media, parastatals and others, establishment of relevant databases and distribution lists, minute-taking, events-management, research and other work

**Assistant Parliamentary Officer**, Office of the Director-General, Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology, 1999  
Management of strategic issues and various aspects of Departmental, Ministry and Parliamentary work, writing of speeches, project organization, liaison work, events management, managing meetings and minute-taking

**Counsellor**, Gay and Lesbian Organization of Pretoria, (voluntary basis), 1998-2000

**Principal Cultural Officer** (Project Organizer), Projects Sub-directorate, National Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology, 1997-1999  
Management of both local and international projects such as the Special Events of the XII Non-Aligned Movement Summit, The National HIV / AIDS Paper Prayers

Campaign, Heritage Day, Freedom Day

**Project Coordinator and Administrative Manager**, Institute for Development Services at the Triple Trust Organisation, 1997

**Research Assistant and Office Administrator** of the Unemployment Project at the South African Institute of Race Relations, 1996

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Books*

Researcher and ghost writer on:

Kathrada, A. M. *Memoirs*. Cape Town: Zebra Press, 2004.

(Republished as A.M. Kathrada, *No bread for Mandela: Memoirs of Ahmed Kathrada, Prisoner No. 468/64*; forewords by Nelson Mandela and Arthur Chaskalson. Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2011).

Conceptualized and initiated the creation of:

Kathrada, A. M., and Sahn Venter. *A Free Mind: Ahmed Kathrada's Notebook from Robben Island*. Johannesburg: Jacana, 2005.

### *Media*

I published a broad spectrum of magazine, newspaper and journal articles on the work of the Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology. I also supplied text and graphics for many magazine articles and newspaper stories on the Ministry and on various government initiatives and programs in the 1994-2001 period. I stood in for the Minister for a variety of media appearances, including interviews on the Felicia Mabuza Suttle Show, interviews at various radio stations, and elsewhere.

*South African Culture in Transition* in **Journal No7, DS/INF/16** of the XII Non-Aligned Movement Summit, 31 August 1998

I scripted and placed numerous articles on unemployment and related issues in various national South African newspapers on behalf of the Institute of Race Relations.

*Unemployment: How Bad Is It?* in **Fast Facts No4/96**, South African Institute of Race Relations, April 1996

*The Popular Politics of Unemployment* in **Fast Facts No7/96**, South African Institute of Race Relations, July 1996

*Better News on Unemployment* in **Fast Facts No9/96**, South African Institute of Race Relations, September 1996

## ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association

African Studies Association

Postcolonial Humanities Working Group (Princeton University)

African Studies Workshop (Princeton University)

## REFEREES

### **Emmanuel Kreike**

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