

CURRICULUM VITAE (DR. ANDREW A. ZEKERI)

Alabama Agric. & Mech. University
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aspects of the Economic and Social Correlates of Timber Dependency in Alabama Project funded by the United State Department of Agriculture National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Programs. I served as day to day administrator of the project. I took leadership role in the publication of journal articles and project reports. Major component of my duties included statistical analysis of demographic, social and economic data. I did case study research in Wilcox county communities.

Jan. 1993-May 1993

Research Associate, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Pennsylvania State University

SOCI 414 Population
SOCI 443 Minority and Ethnic Group Relations

GRADUATE LEVEL

SOCI 541 Socio-Cultural Problems of the South
MSPH 610 Psychosocial Determinants of Health
BSC-0710 Integrated Biosciences Lit Review
IPPD 0611 Social Issues & Pub Policy History
IPPD 0617 Race, Ethnicity and Public Policy

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AND HONORS:

Cum Laude, B.Sc., Alabama A&M University (1986)
Who's Who Among International Students in American Colleges and Universities, 1988
WHO'S WHO Among Students in American College and Universities, 1986
National Dean's List 1986/87 Academic Year
National Dean's List 1985/86 Academic Year
National Dean's List 1984/85 Academic Year
Honor Student - 1986, Alabama A&M University
Honor Student - 1985, Alabama A&M University
Honor Student - 1984, Alabama A&M University

HONORS AND AWARDS:

President (2012-2013) Southern Rural Sociological Association

President –Elect (2011-2012) Southern Rural Sociological Association

Program Chair (2010-2011) Southern Rural Sociological Association

Program Chair-Elect (2009-2010) Southern Rural Sociological Association

Southern Rural Sociological Association of Southern Association.

Excellence in Teaching Award, Annual Meeting, Kissimmee, Florida, February 4, 2002,

Tuskegee University

Outstanding Faculty Performance for Research in College of Liberal Arts and Education. 1999-2000.

Outstanding Faculty Performance for Research in College of Liberal Arts and Education. 2007-2008.

Alabama A & M University

Alabama Agric. & Mech. University

University Award for Outstanding Student, Alabama A&M University

School of Agriculture award for Outstanding International Student, Alabama A&M University

University of Alabama in Huntsville Chapter, April 22, 1989.

Rural Sociological Society

Ford Foundation Travel Scholarship for presenting a paper at the 53rd Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Norfolk, Virginia, August, 1990

Ford Foundation Travel Scholarship for presenting a paper at the 54th Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio, August, 1991.

Ford Foundation Travel Scholarship for presenting a paper at the 56th Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society, Orlando, Florida, August, 1993.

MEMBERSHIP IN HONORARY SOCIETY:

Gamma Sigma Delta (The Honor Society of Agriculture)

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL AND SCHOLARLY ASSOCIATIONS:

The Royal African Society, 1995 to 2005

American Sociological Association, 1989 to present

Rural Sociological Society, 1987 to present.

European Society for Rural Sociology, 1998-2007

Southern Rural Sociological Association, 1987 to present.

Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, 1987 to present.

International Rural Sociological Association, 1989 to present

Community Development Society, 1989 to present.

National Society for Minorities in Agriculture, 1989 to 2005

Society for Applied Anthropology 1992 to present.

Policy Study Organization 1991 to 2000

AREAS OF INTERESTS

Research Methods and Statistics

Rural Sociology

Sociology of Agriculture

International Agric. Dev.

HIV/AIDS Conspiracy Theory

Community Economic Development

Rural Development

Natural Resources and Policy

Rural Poverty and Food Insecurity

Health Disparities

REFEREED JOURNALS SERVED AS REVIEWER INCLUDE:nsrrities

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER:

Journal of Rural Social Sciences
Journal of Health Care, Science and the Humanities

OTHER PROFESSIONAL REVIEW SERVICES:

Reviewer for United States Department of Agriculture, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, Small Business Innovation Research, 2001 to present.

Member (2001), Expert Panel to review proposals in Rural and Community Development Topic Areas, United States Department of Agriculture, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, Small Business Innovation Research.

PUBLICATIONS:

BOOK

Zekeri, Andrew A., (2015) Issues and Challenges of the American Rural Rural South. Cognella Academic Publishing.

Zekeri, Andrew A., (2021) Issues and Challenges of the American Rural Rural South. Second Edition, Cognella Academic Publishing.

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS:

- 2021 Zekeri, A. A. Conspiracy Beliefs about HIV/AIDS among HIV-Positive African American Men and Women in Alabama's Black Belt: A Mixed-Method Analysis." Journal of Healthcare, Science and the Humanities Volume XI, No. (1) 73-84.
- 2021 Zekeri, A.A. Conspiracy Beliefs about the Origin of HIV/AIDS among African Americans and Whites Living with HIV in the Deep South. Academia Letters, Article 3751.
- 2021 Citation: Zekeri, A. Perceived Barriers of Access to Care Among African Americans living with HIV/AIDS in Alabama's Black Belt. Academia Letters, Article 2451. <https://doi.org/10.20935/AL2451>.
- 2021 Citation: Zekeri, A. (2021). Field Research in a Biracial Community in Rural Alabama. Academia Letters, Article 1636. <https://doi.org/10.20935/AL1636>.
- 2020 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Household Food Insecurity Is Associated with Self-Rated Health Status among Single Mothers in Alabama's Black Belt Counties. Journal of Healthcare, Science and the Humanities Volume

- 2020 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Household Food Insecurity Is Associated with Self-Rated Health Status among Single Mothers in Alabama's Black Belt Counties. *Journal of Healthcare, Science and the Humanities* Volume 10, No. 1, 31-39.
- 2019 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food Insecurity and Maternal Mental Health among African American Single Mothers Living with HIV

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- 2015 Zekeri, Andrew A and Youssef Diabate " Factors Associated with Belief in Conspiracies about HIV/AIDS among HIV-Positive African-American Patients." Professional Agricultural Workers Journal, Vol.2, No.2, Article 4.
- 2014 Zekeri, Andrew A and Youssef Diabate "Food Insecurity and Psychological Well-Being Among Women Living with HIV/AIDS on Antiretroviral Therapy in the Alabama Black Belt." Professional Agricultural Workers Journal, Vol.:1, No.2, Article 4.
- 2014 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Pauline Baba "Evaluation of Skills Needed in College Education by Colleges of Agriculture Alumni from 1862 and 1890 Land Grant Universities in Alabama and Tennessee." College Student Journal, Vol. 48 (2).
- 2013 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Rueben Warren " Functions on the Job in Relation to Data, People, and Things among Agricultural Students from Southern Land-Grant Universities, College Student Journal, 47 (2): 373-378.
- 2013 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Educational Attainment and Self-Rated Health Status Among Single Mothers in Rural Alabama." Psychological Reports 113 (1):1-5
- 2013 Zekeri, Andrew A. " ! " # \$ % & ' () ! * + & ' * ,) * % - . " / * ,) 0 / " % " # & /) 1 2 3 2 , " + # 2 % ') 0 4 4 " 5 ' 6 . " Professional Agricultural Workers Journal, Vol.:No.1, Article 7.
- 2011 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Rueben Warren "Educational Attainment, Agricultural Jobs and Income Among Alumni from Historically Black Land-Grant Colleges and Universities" College Student Journal, 45 (4):891-896.
- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Household Food Insecurity and Depression among Single Mothers in Rural Alabama " Journal of Rural Social Sciences, 25 (1):90-102.
- 2009 Zekeri, Andrew A. Tsegaye Habtemariam, B. Tameru, D. Ngawa & V. Robnett. "Conspiracy beliefs about HIV/AIDS among HIV-positive African-American patients in rural

- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Tsegaye Habtemariam. "African American College Students' Perceptions of Psychosocial Factors Influencing Racial Disparities in Health." *College Student Journal*. 40(4):901-915.
- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Livelihood Strategies of Food Insecure Poor, Female-

- 1992 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Income attainment among land-grant colleges of agriculture alumni." *Journal of Vocational Behavior*, (41):200-206.
- 1992 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Theorizing in studies testing the growth machine hypothesis: a critical evaluation." *The Rural Sociologist*, Volume 12 (3):25-42.
- 1992 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Benefits from agricultural development projects: another

ARTICLES IN PUBLISHED PEER REFEREED PROCEEDINGS:

- 2014 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food Insecurity Among the Elderly in Alabama's Black Belt" Pp. 21-28 in N. Tackie, R. Zabawa, T. Hargrove, and W. Hill (eds.), Empowering Underserved Farmers and Rural Communities Through Effective Farm Bill Legislation, USDA Program Delivery, and New market Opportunities and Partnerships, Tuskegee, AL: Tuskegee University.
- 2012 Zekeri, Andrew A. "The Influence of Social Capital on Community Economic Development in the Gulf Counties of Alabama Impacted by Hurricane Katrina ." Pp. 75-85 in Tasha

2008

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University, Alabama.

- 2001 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Economic Development Strategies in African American Communities" Pp. 45-55 in Robert Zabawa, Ntam Baharanyi, and Walter Hills (eds.) Land, Community and Culture: African American, Native American And Native Alaskan Connections." Tuskegee University, Alabama.
- 2000 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Perceptions of Advantages and Disadvantages Associated with the Use of Electronic Benefits Transfer for Delivering Food Stamp Benefits" Pp. 145-152 in Robert Zabawa, Ntam Baharanyi, and Walter Hills (eds.) Global Food Security: Exploring The Nexus Between Domestic and International Strategies." Tuskegee University, Alabama.
- 2000 Zekeri, Andrew A. Assessing the Benefits and Problems Associated with the Use of Electronic Benefits Transfer for Food Stamps in Macon County, Alabama. Pp. 22 in Ann Vandeman (ed.) Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Small Grants Program: Executive Summaries of 1998 Research Grants. Food and Rural Economic Division, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Report No. 10
- 1998 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Analysis of Income Earned by Former Agricultural Students" Pp. 91-109 in Ntam Baharanyi, Robert Zabawa and Walter Hills (eds.) E 1 T N 46 Tf [-640 Tm -1 Tm -1 1 (r) -188]Tm -1 Tmr n-188 I -1 Tm -1 Tm -1 Tm640

- 1994 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Community and rural development in the south: sociological issues in regional policy." Pp. 63-66 in Ntam Baharanyi, Robert Zabawa, Walter Hills and Alfred Parks (ed). Rural Development and a Changing USDA. Tuskegee University.
- 1994 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Poverty: a barrier to a comprehensive rural community development in Black Belt Counties of Alabama." Pp. 89-95 in Ntam Baharanyi,

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Zekeri, Andrew A. Promoting Health Equity: Race and Food Insecurity in the Alabama Black BeltU54 Morehouse School of Medicine/Tuskegee University/University of Alabama at Birmingham Cancer Research Partnership, Second Conference on Bioethics Issues in Minority Health and Health Disparities Research January 23-25.
- 2019 Zekeri, Andrew A. Ethics of Reparation, Responder. Presented at The 8th Annual Public health Ethics Intensive, National Center for Bioethics in Research and Health care, Bioethics Auditorium, John A. Kenney Hall,

12:00 PM at Alabama Shakespeare Festival 1 Festival Dr, Montgomery, 36117, AL, United States.

- 2016 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Household Food Insecurity and Self-Rated Health Status among Low Income Black and Hispanic Women in Alabama's Black Belt Counties." Presentation at the Legacy of George Washington Carver: Connecting the Science of Food, Nutrition, Sustainability and Business. Kellogg Conference Center Auditorium, Tuskegee University, November 3, 2016.
- 2015 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Princess Osby. "Predictors of Depressive Symptoms Among Elderly Persons in Rural Alabama." A paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, January 31-February 3, 2015.
- 2015 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Factors Associated with Belief in Conspiracies about HIV/AIDS among HIV-Positive African Americans." A paper presented at the 46th Annual Meeting of Alabama-Mississippi Sociological Association, Montgomery, AL, Feb. 26-27.
- 2015 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Feminization of HIV/AIDS among African Americans in the Rural South." Paper presented at the 73rd

2011

Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food Insecurity among minority women living with HIV/AIDS in Alabama's Black Belt"

- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Reuben Warren. "Conspiracy Beliefs about the Origin of HIV/AIDS among African Americans and Whites with HIV/AIDS in Alabama Black Belt." A paper presented at the 138th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, Denver, Colorado, November 6-10.
- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Three Years after Hurricane Katrina: Community Economic Development Strategies in Alabama Gulf Coast." A paper presented at 105th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, Georgia, August 14-17.
- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Three Years after Hurricane Katrina: Community Economic Development Strategies in Alabama Gulf Coast." A paper presented at 105th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Atlanta, Georgia, August 14-17.
- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Reuben. "African American Mothers Living with HIV/AIDS in Alabama's Black Belt: HIV/AIDS Conspiracy Theories and Food Insecurity." A paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida, February 6-9.
- 2010 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Reuben. "Three Years Later: Experiences of Families Affected by Hurricane Katrina in Alabama Gulf Coast Counties." A paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida, February 6-9.

- 2008 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Community Action and Economic Development in the Gulf Counties of Alabama after Hurricane Katrina" Paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, February 2-5
- 2008 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Tsegaye Habtemariam "Relationship of Conspiracy Beliefs About HIV/AIDS to Sociodemographic Variables Among HIV-Positive African Americans." Paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, February 2-5.
- 2008 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Community Action and Economic Development in Alabama's Forested Black Belt Areas." Paper presented at the 66th Annual Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, The Kellogg Conference center, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 7-9.
- 2008 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Erlene Vaughn "Rebuilding Lives after Hurricane Katrina: The Experiences of Those Affected in Rural Alabama." Paper presented at the 66th Annual Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, The Kellogg Conference center, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, Dec. 7-9.
- 2007 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food insecurity and mental health of low-income women" A paper presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of Alabama-Mississippi Sociological Association, Deichelmann Conference Center, Auburn University Montgomery, Montgomery, Alabama February 22-23.
- 2007 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Household Food Insecurity and Psychological Distress Among Single Mothers in Alabama's Black Belt Counties." A paper presented The 65th Annual Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, The Kellogg Conference Center, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama December 2-4
- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Tsegaye Habtemariam "Do African Americans Living With HIV Disease Believe that Antiretroviral Medications can Kill Patients?" A paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting in conjunction with 103rd Annual Meeting of Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, Orlando, FL, February. 4-8.
- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Economic Survival Strategies of Food Insecure Single Mothers in Rural Alabama" A paper presented at the Southern Rural Sociological Association Annual Meeting in conjunction with 103rd Annual Meeting of Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, Orlando, FL, February. 4-8.
- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. and Tsegaye Habtemariam "Conspiracy Beliefs Regarding Antiretroviral Medications for HIV/AIDS Among African Americans Infected with HIV" A paper presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Seelbach Hilton, Louisville, Kentucky, August 10-13.

- 2006 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food Insecurity and coping Strategies Among Low-Income African American Women" A paper presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Seelbach Hilton, Louisville, Kentucky, August 10-13.
- 2006 "Food Insecurity in Poor, Female-Headed Families in Five of Alabama Black Belt Counties" A paper

Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, Southern Rural Sociological Association Section, Little Rock, Arkansas, February 6-8.

2005

Zekeri, Andrew A. "Livelihood

WaterFront, Baltimore, MD, Dec. 8-11.

2004. Zekeri, Andrew A. "Smoking Behavior and Health Status among Rural/Small Town and Urban Residents." A paper presented at the 20th Annual Scholarly Events and Research Symposium and 17th Annual Mary Starke Harper Lecture Series, Tuskegee University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health. April 2.
- 2004 Zekeri, Andrew A. "The Causes of Enduring Poverty in Alabama's Black Belt." A Paper presented at In the Shadows of Poverty: Strengthening the Rural Poverty Research Capacity of the South, Southern Rural Development Center and RUPRI Rural Poverty Research Center, Memphis, TN, July 21-23.
- 2004 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Food Security Rates for African American Elderly Households." A Paper presented at the 67th Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento, California, August 11-15.
- 2004 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Community Efficacy and Growth Promotion Activities in Rural Areas." A Paper presented at the 67th Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento, California, August 11-15.
- 2003 Zekeri, Andrew A. "The Community Question: The Search for Community

Alabama, February 20-21.

- 2003 Zekeri, Andrew A. "The Influence of Social Psychology, Cultural Values and Preferences of the Igala People on Igala Association, USA. A paper presented at the 4th Annual National Symposium of the Igala Association, USA. Washington, D.C., August 30-31.
- 2003 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Putting Food on the Table: Household Food Security

- 2004 Zekeri, Andrew A . The Impact of Welfare Reform on Food Stamp Program: Advantages and Problems of Delivering Benefits Electronically.. A paper presented at the 97th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois, August 16-19.
- 2002 Zekeri, Andrew A Community Economic Development Strategies in Alabama's Forested Black Belt Area: Findings from a Survey of African American Elected Officials." A paper presented at the 67th Annual Conference of The association of Social and Behavioral Scientists, Inc., Greensboro, North Carolina, March 20-23.
- 2002 Zekeri, Andrew A. The New Way to Receive Benefits for Cash and Food Stamps: An Assessment by Welfare Recipients in a Rural Community." A paper presented at the 67th Annual Conference of The association of Social and Behavioral Scientists, Inc., Greensboro, North Carolina, March 20-23.
- 2002 Zekeri, Andrew A. "Adoption of Growth Promotion Strategies in Rural Communities: Effects of Community Activeness." A paper presented at the 99th Annual Meeting of Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, Southern Rural Sociological Association Section, Kiessmme, Florida, February 3-5.
- 2002 Zekeri, Andrew A. "World Bank-Assisted Agricultura