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Education:

- Ph.D. Slavic Languages and Literatures, 1977. University of Illinois
- M.A. Philology, 1973. Leningrad State University
- B.A. Philology, Leningrad State University

Postdoctoral Awards and Fellowships:

- 2012-2013 Fulbright Scholar Award to Nigeria
- 2011 & 2010 Department of English Award for Excellence in Research and Publication, Delaware State University. November 10, 2011.
- 1996 Delaware State University Award for Excellence in Research.

Selected Publications:

- *Global Societies: An Introduction*. 2nd Ed **textbook** co-edited with Dr. Akwasi Osei, Boston: Pearson Custom Publishing (Division of Prentice Hall), 2005, 2007.
- Ngugi and African Post-Colonial Narrative: The Novel as Oral Narrative in Multi-Genre Performance literary criticism St-Hyacinth, Quebec: World Heritage Press, 1997.
- Adjusted Lives, award-winning short story collection. Trenton, N.J. Africa World Press, 1995.
- Tradition and Modernity in the African Short Story literary criticism Westport, CT: Greenwood, 1991.
- "From Imitation to Avant Guard: Ngugi's Novelistic Stylistic Evolution." Ed. Oliver Lovesey. *Approaches to Teaching the Works of Ngugi wa Thiong'o*. NY: Modern Languages Association, 2012. 114-120.
- "Can Themba." Ed. Tanure Ojaide. Dictionary of Literary Biography: Contemporary African Writers. Vol 360. Detriot: Bruccoli, 2011. 273-278.
- "Contemporary Yoruba Funeral: A Discursive Personal Narrative." Eds. G. N. Devy, Geoffrey V. Davis & K. K. Chakravarty. *Voice and Memory: Indigenous Imagination and Expression*. Hyderabad, India: Orient Blackswan, 2011. 78-97.