

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF  
COLUMBIA UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 02**

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF SHIELA HARMON MARTIN, PH.D., COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES, AS PROFESSOR EMERITA**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to D.C. Official Code 38-1202.06, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the University of the District of Columbia (the "University") has responsibility to generally determine, control, supervise, manage, and govern all affairs of the University, including oversight of faculty; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 8 DCMR § 1412.1, the title of Professor Emeritus may be conferred by the Board of Trustees upon a retired member of the faculty who has rendered distinguished service to the University; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interim Chief Academic Officer and the Acting Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences have recommended that emeritus status be conferred upon Dr. Shiela Harmon Martin in recognition of her range of contributions to the academic pursuits and the community of the University, pursued with dedication, integrity, and energy; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Harmon Martin's 49-year tenure on the faculty of the University was marked by distinguished contributions to the discipline of political science and to the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) as a professor; educational administrator; faculty leader; scholarly researcher (including the areas of health policy issues, program performance evaluation, Black women, and related political issues); principal investigator of both private foundation and government funding grants; mentor to students and colleagues alike; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Martin served on loan to a presidential administration and two (2) District of Columbia Mayoral administrations; in addition to the numerous professional awards and recognitions over the decades for exemplary teaching, research, leadership and service to the political science profession both within and outside the University community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received and reviewed the supporting documentation and agrees with the nomination of Professor Martin for the reasons described therein and commends Professor Martin for her distinguished service and professional excellence.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in recognition of Dr. Harmon Martin's long and committed service to the University, the City, and her profession in the areas of teaching, research, and service, the Board of Trustees hereby confers upon Dr. Shiela Harmon Martin the title and position of Professor Emerita, with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities pertaining thereto.

Submitted by the Academic & Student Affairs Committee:

January 18, 2024

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

February 6, 2024



Christopher D. Bell  
Chairperson of the Board

Office of the Dean

December 12, 2023

Dear Dr. Massey,

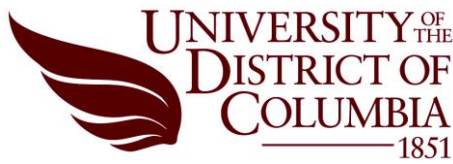
I am attaching a nomination for emeritus status for Dr. Shiela Harmon Martin, Professor of Political Science (ret.), forwarded at the request of Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences chairperson, Dr. Guy Shroyer, with the support of his faculty colleagues. I wholeheartedly support the unit's request for consideration. Dr. Harmon-Martin meets all eligibility requirements and clearly stands as an exemplar of the emeritus distinction having been a trendsetter at the University and across higher education in teaching, scholarship, and service for more than four decades. Dr. Harmon Martin is a recognized scholar in American Government, Urban Politics, Public Administration and African Politics. Because of her knowledge and expertise, Dr. Martin was selected for two intergovernmental policy assignments: one with the federal government Presidential Administration of Ronald Reagan and one with the local government Mayoral Administrations of Marion Barry and Anthony Williams. Her commitment to philanthropy and students at UDC continues as she is actively raising funds to support Political Science students' travel to national conferences.

I forward this request asking for full consideration of the emeritus review panel. If you have questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Best,



Jeffery Fleming, Ph.D., Acting Dean



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**Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences  
Political Science Program**

Dr. Jeffery Fleming  
Interim Dean  
College of Arts & Sciences

October 12, 2023

Dear Dean Fleming:

The following recommendation to award Dr. Shiela F. Harmon Martin, Professor of Political Science, the status of Professor Emeritus is the beginning of the five (5) phase recommendation process. As you are aware, the Professor Emeritus process entails the following:

- Letter from the Department/Division Chair to the Dean of the School or College—containing the recommendation and the justification. This serves as the source of accomplishments across teaching and academic leadership, professional productivity, and service.
- Letter from the Dean to the Provost – affirms the chair’s recommendation.
- Letter from the Provost to the appropriate Board of Trustee Committee.
- Letter from UDC Chief Financial Officer that contains a fiscal impact statement – affirming that the granting of emeritus status poses no monetary cost to the University.
- Board of Trustee Resolution – awards Emeritus status based on enabling authority from the 8 DCMR / 1412.1

My formal recommendation and justification of the status of Professor Emeritus status for Dr. Shiela F. Harmon Martin accompanies this cover letter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Guy Shroyer, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor & Chair  
Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences

## **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION-PROFESSOR EMERITUS STATUS DR. SHIELA F. HARMON MARTIN**

As Chair of the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, College of Arts & Sciences, I strongly recommend Dr. Shiela F. Harmon Martin for the status of Professor Emeritus, University of the District of Columbia. Dr. Harmon Martin retired on August 15, 2023, after serving the University of the District of Columbia and its predecessor institution, Federal City College (FCC) with honorable distinction for 49 years. The authority for the UDC Board of Trustees to grant Professor Emeritus status derives from 8 DMRC 1412.1 and therefore, I am initiating this process under its purview.

During her 49 years of service at the University, Dr. Harmon Martin performed the roles of faculty, department, and division chairpersons. She represented the University, on loan, to a presidential administration and two (2) District of Columbia Mayoral administrations. She was the recipient of numerous grants that contributed to the growth and development of faculty and students while serving the residents of the District of Columbia. Lastly, hundreds of UDC students are the seeds of her outstanding teaching and mentoring and they continue to sow her legacy through their contributions to the District, the nation and their global communities. Dr. Harmon Martin's contributions to the University and its footprint locally, nationally, and internationally are eminently deserving of recognition as Professor Emeritus. I am confident that the following testimony of her accomplishments, in areas of teaching, academic leadership, professional productivity, and service to the University, DC community, and nation, throughout her 49-year tenure at the University of the District of Columbia will also ensure your approval of this recommendation.

### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Dr. Shiela F. Harmon Martin was awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Southern University A. & M. College, Baton Rouge campus. During her undergraduate studies she studied abroad in St. Gallen, Switzerland and attended the Washington Urban Semester Program, American University, Washington, DC and interned in the Office of US Senator Edward W. Brooke, of Massachusetts. She also obtained both the Master of Arts (Atlanta University) and the Doctor of Philosophy degrees (Clark Atlanta University) in Political Science. Dr. Harmon Martin's graduate studies in Political Science included numerous internships in local (Atlanta) and national (Office of Telecommunication Policy, Executive of the White House) governmental agencies.

### **ACADEMIC TEACHING**

Dr. Shiela F. Harmon began her academic career as an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Federal City College in 1974 and completed the rank of Professor. Her academic teaching areas of expertise were the discipline subfields of American Government, Urban Politics, Public Administration and African Politics. She taught numerous courses in these subfields throughout

her academic career as well as a graduate course focusing on Health Policy in the College of Arts and Sciences.

As faculty and to expand her public policy knowledge, Dr. Harmon Martin 's was selected for two (2) intergovernmental policy assignments with the following federal and local government agencies.:

- Special Assistant, Office of Policy, Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Department of Transportation (Presidential Administration-Ronald Reagan).

Duties: Served as a principal advisor to the Director, Office of Policy, on matters related to policy formulation and research for urban mass transit programs. Performed program reviews and managed several research contracts. Member of speech writing team for the Administrator (presidential appointee). Represented administrator and supervisor at meetings and conferences relating to transportation policy.

- Special Assistant for Protocol & International Affairs, Office of the Secretary, Executive Office of the Mayor.

Duties: Served as the official representative and primary liaison for the city government with the diplomatic community for both ceremonial and substantive matters during the Mayoral Administrations of Marion Barry and Anthony Williams. Prepared correspondence, briefings, and official reports relating to international affairs. Monitored (3) three sister city councils. Planned, coordinated, and advanced international travel for Mayor.

Awarded outstanding performance rating:

Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Performance Rating, Office of the Secretary, Government of the District of Columbia, March 1998. (Barry Administration)

Meritorious Public Service Award, Office of the Mayor, Government of the District of Columbia, July 1999. (Williams Administration)

Dr. Harmon Martin also was the recipient of two travel fellowships designed to study the history and culture of Cuba and Korea.

- Travel and study grant to Cuba to study the history and culture of Cuba. 2003
- Freeman Seminar Fellow, Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawaii, June – July 2005. Travel and study grant to Korea to study the history and culture of Korea.

Dr. Harmon Martin utilized all these opportunities to integrate knowledge acquired into the content of her academic courses.

## **ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP**

During Dr. Harmon Martin's Federal City College tenure, she was appointed interim Chair of the Department of Political Science (Summer 1977-Fall semester 1978) during a departmental leadership transition period. However, her extensive UDC administrative leadership journey began in 1999 when she was appointed and served as Chair of the Department of Urban Affairs, Social Sciences and Social Work (UASSSW). A multi-discipline unit, UASSSW consisted of the undergraduate academic programs of Criminal Justice, History, Political Science, Social Work, Sociology, Urban Studies; Homeland Security, graduate program; and a Non-Profit Leadership Certificate program. Dr. Harmon Martin masterfully displayed her leadership skills through her management of a faculty of over thirty-five (35) full-time and adjunct faculty and approximately six hundred majors. She chaired UASSSW from 1999 until 2010 when it was reorganized by the University's Board of Trustees into two units-The Department of Political Science, History & Global Studies (PSHGS) and The Department of Urban Affairs, Criminal Justice & Social Work. Dr. Harmon Martin served as Chair of PSHGS until 2014. Upon reorganization of the College of Arts and Science into divisions, she was appointed and served as the Chair of the Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences (DSBS) from 2014-2019. DSBS consists of the academic programs of Crime, Justice & Security Studies, Human Development, Political Science, Psychology and Homeland Security (graduate). Dr. Harmon Martin's departure from academic leadership in 2019 marked 20 years of administrative leadership in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) and the longest tenure of an academic chair during this period.

Throughout her 49-year tenure, Dr. Harmon Martin not only achieved a substantive leadership and service record, but she also continuously taught both undergraduate and graduate courses.

As Chair of the Department of Urban Affairs, Social Sciences & Social Work, Department of Political Science, History & Global Studies, and Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences, the following represents a brief synopsis of Dr. Harmon Martin's accomplishments.

- Actively engaged department faculty in the institutional self-study process, an integral component of the UDC reaffirmation of accreditation process by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. Many faculty held leadership committee positions during several self-study processes.
- Coordinated with the Program Directors and faculty, the re-accrediting and accrediting process for the Social Work program (Council on Social Work), Social Studies /History Education (National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education) and an external participant for the accrediting of Rehabilitation Counseling (Council on Rehabilitation Education).
- Coordinated the self-study of academic programs (Criminal Justice, History, Human Development, Homeland Security, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, and Urban Studies, (several times) during tenure as Chair.
- Established, in collaboration with the DC Sister Cities Program, Office of the Secretary, Executive office of the Mayor, the UDC – University of Sunderland (US), Sunderland, England Study Abroad Program. Three (3) UDC students studied at the University of Sunderland and two

(2) US students attended UDC. Dr. Harmon Martin represented UDC in the City of Sunderland, England-Washington Steering Committee, DC Office of the Secretary.

- Financially supported and encouraged faculty research, professional development, and online teaching through the University's Research Academy for Integrative Learning (RAIL) program and other faculty training programs, through attendance and presentation at discipline related conferences, and mentorship.

- Financial supported and encouraged active participation and attendance at annual conferences/meetings of discipline-related professional associations of all faculty and students. Dr. Harmon Martin, specifically, consistently prepared students to present their academic research at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS) annual meeting. Students presented at meetings held in Atlanta, Georgia, Wilmington, Delaware, Las Vegas, Nevada, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Baltimore, Maryland, Arlington, Virginia, and Washington, DC. Six (6) students, who presented at the Wilmington, Delaware meeting, were featured on the American Political Science Association website for their undergraduate research.

- Supported the activities of students, including organizations, honor societies, scholarships, and internships. Held honorary induction ceremonies for all majors.

- Administered Teach Out Plans for students in the Urban Studies (2011), History (2014), and Sociology & Anthropology (2014) programs due to program discontinuation resulting from Board of Trustees resolutions.

- Coordinated, in conjunction with the Program coordinator, Crime, Justice & Security Studies program, the smooth transition of the Associate Degree programs in Corrections Administration (AAS) and Law Enforcement (AAS) to the UDC Community College.

Appointed Director of the UDC Center for Applied Research & Urban Policy (CARUP) while concurrently serving as Division Chair. She coordinated and was awarded a \$300,000 Memorandum Agreement with the DC Office of the State Superintendent of Education, "To conduct the 2012 DC Childcare Market Rates and Capacity Utilization Study". Under the auspice of CARUP, Dr. Harmon Martin also received a \$50,000 grant from The Urban Institute, for faculty and students to participate in a summer project (2016) conducting a "Needs Assessment of DC Public Housing, for the DC Public Housing Authority.

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Dr. Harmon Martin has been a dedicated servant leader throughout her tenure at Federal City College and the University of the District of Columbia at all levels-department, college, and university. Examples include the following:

- Elected to the first Faculty Senate, chartered by the BOT in 1980, as representative of the Department of Political Science. Also served on the FS, academic year 2020-2021.

- Served as a member of the CAS Council of Chairs (1999-2019) and perform leadership roles in numerous activities such as staff appreciation activities, Curriculum Committee, Undergraduate

Research Day, Faculty Hiring Committee, CAS General Education Committee, Sabbatical Committee, and numerous other assignments as requested by the Dean.

- As faculty, served on department committees including Promotion and Evaluation, Student Affairs, Amenities, Curriculum, Student Grievances and Appeals; coordinated faculty dinners (during FCC tenure); sponsored monthly departmental lecture series featuring DC politicians, congressional staffers, community activists and professionals.
- University service included membership and leadership roles on numerous committees, including, but not limited to, University Assessment Committee (2015-2019), UDC Veterans' Observance Committee (2014-2016), University General Education Committee (2010), Chair of CAS Dean Search Committee, Chair of UDC Commencement Exercises Committee, Honorary Degree Committee. She also served as a member of the Advisory Board of the Initiative in Civic Engagement & Equity, (ICE-E), a university-wide summer internship program.
- Dr. Harmon Martin's service to her department, CAS and the University has been recognized and awarded at all levels and includes, most recent awards, the following:
  - Department of Urban Affairs, Social Sciences & Social Work, In Appreciation for Outstanding Service as Chair, 2011.
  - College of Arts & Sciences, "Accomplishment in Service/Advocacy." 2012.
  - College of Arts & Sciences, "Accomplishment in Leadership," 2018.
  - College of Arts & Sciences, "Legacy Award," 2019.
  - University, "Paul Phillips Cooke, Lifetime Achievement Award," 2021.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS/GOVERNMENT FUNDING**

Dr. Harmon Martin has been the recipient and principal investigator of both private foundation and government funding grants totaling 1.340 million dollars. She has also served as a research associate on numerous research projects in CARUP beginning in 1990 and as a community based social science researcher at the UDC- Lombardi Cancer Control Center, Georgetown University project under the auspices of U-56, National Institute of Health Grant. In 1988, Dr. Harmon Martin was the first UDC faculty to receive a grant from the Ford Foundation in the amount of \$190,000. She developed and produced a satellite videoconference series on "Political Empowerment: The Black Vote and Implications for the Future" that was programming for colleges and universities.

### **Other Grant Awards were as follows:**

- DC Department of Health Care Finance, Office of Health Care Ombudsman & Bill of Rights. "To conduct a Ten-Year Program Performance Evaluation." Memorandum of Agreement, 2020-2022, \$400,000.00.
- The Urban Institute, Needs Assessment of DC Public Housing, DC Public Housing Authority, UDC Team Project Leader, 2016, \$50,000.



- DC Office of the State Superintendent of Education, “To conduct the 2012 DC Childcare Market Rates and Capacity Utilization Study”. Memorandum of Agreement with the Center of Applied Research & Urban Policy, 2013, \$300,000.
- Open Society Institute Grant award, May 2003-January 2007. To train high school students and teachers in public policy debate; establish a DC Urban Debate League. Amount - \$400,000

## **SCHOLARLY RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Despite a myriad of administrative and teaching responsibilities, Dr. Harmon Martin has during her tenure engaged in research and publication in scholarly journals. Her scholarly research includes health policy issues, program performance evaluation, Black women, and related political issues. She has also attended and presented her research at discipline related conference such as the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, American Political Science Association, Association for the Study of African American Life and History and African Studies Heritage Association. The following represents a synopsis of her publications and conference presentations.

### **Scholarly Research Publications**

Harmon Martin, S., Adams, A., Mills, V., Miles, A., Lea, S., & Mizelle, N. Ten Year (2010-2020) Performance Evaluation of the Office of the Health Care Ombudsman & Bill of Rights. Department of Health Care Finance. December 2022.

Sheppard, V., Wang, J., Martin, SH, Hurtado de Mendoza, Luta, G. Promoting Mammography Adherence in Underserved Women: The Telephone Coaching Adherence Study. Contemporary Clinical Trials, 2013 May; 35(1): 35-42. PMID: 23415629.

Harmon Martin, S., Wise, S., Mohamed, T., Davis, L. 2012 District of Columbia Childcare Market Rates and Capacity Utilization: A Study of Licensed Family Home and Childcare Center Providers in the District of Columbia. Center for Applied Research & Urban Policy for DC Office of the State Superintendent of Education, March 2013.

Cousin, Carolyn & Harmon Martin, Shiela (2010). A Cancer Education Intervention for African American Seniors in the District of Columbia. Journal of Cancer Education. The article is the result of UDC- Lombardi Cancer Control Center, Georgetown University project under the auspices of U-56, National Institute of Health Grant.

Harmon Martin, Shiela. “An Evaluation of the DC Control Asthma NOW Project, DC Department of Health: Maternal and Family Health Administration, February 2005.

“Jewel Limar Prestage: Political Science Trailblazer and the mother of Black Political Science,” PS: Political Science and Politics. (Washington, DC: American Political Science Association) Vol. XXXVIII. No. 1, January 2005.

"An Assessment of the Service Delivery System to Asthmatics in the District of Columbia," Center of Applied Research and Urban Policy for the DC Department of Health: Maternal and Family Health Administration, February 2004.

"The Changing Face of Poverty in the District of Columbia", Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy for the District of Columbia: Family Services Administration, March 2003.

"Assessment of Agencies, Advocates & Providers Serving Children with Special Health Care Needs" in District of Columbia Children with Special Health Care Needs: Assessment Study, Final Report, Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy for the District of Columbia: Office of Maternal and Child Health, November 2000.

"Women in the Criminal Justice System: A Mirror of Society", Doctoral Dissertation, Clark Atlanta University, July 1996.

"Black Women in Politics: A Research Note" in Hanes Walton, Black Politics and Black Political Behavior: A Linkage Analysis (Praeger Publishers, 1994.)

"National Programs Serving Substance Abusing Women and their Children" in Boarder Babies and Drug Affected Children in the District of Columbia, Final Report, Volume II, Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy, Grant research project, April 1990 - December 1991.

"Documenting Our Legacy: Research Priorities for Black Women in Politics," Social Science Journal of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts. (University of the District of Columbia, 1986.)

"The Mitchell Amendment: An Analysis of the "Surface Transportation Assistance Act" of 1982," UDC Graduate Studies and Research Journal. (University of the District of Columbia, Fall 1985.)

"Cable Communications: An Alternative Mechanism," Northwest Journal of Political Science (Summer 1974.)

"Cable Communications: Toward Community Control in Atlanta". Atlanta, GA: Economic Opportunity Atlanta, Inc., May 1972.

### **Professional/ Community Presentations & Activities**

The following is a synopsis of professional and community presentations and service activities.

Black Girls Vote Research Network. Spring 2023 Community Academic Form, Baltimore, Md., Presentation, "Building Bridges, Knowledge, and Community: How Academics and Communities Can Work Together".

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 2019, Presentation, "Honoring the Legacy of Jewel Limar Prestage"; plenary moderator, Historian & Archivist

Association for the Study of African American Life & History, Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2011, Presentation- "Jewel Limar Prestage: Pioneer of Black Political Science".

Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Annual Meeting, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 2007, Presentation – "Black Women in D.C. Politics".

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2006, Attendee, panel moderator and National Secretary.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2005, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, March 2005, Attendee, panel moderator and National Secretary.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2003, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, August 2004, Attendee, panel moderator, National Secretary.

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American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2003, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Oakland, California, March 2003, Member of Executive Council, and panel presenter, "Dr. Jewel L. Prestage:" Political Science Trailblazer & Mother of Black Political Science".

American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts, August 2002, Member Committee on the Status of Black in the Profession, panel moderator and presenter "Jewel Limar Prestage: Trailblazer and Mother of Black Political Science".

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2002, Attendee.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, August 2001, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Richmond, Virginia, March 2001, Attendee.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2000, Attendee.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, March 2000, Attendee.

International Federation of Boxing/United States Boxing Association, Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, Presentation- "Current Debate in Judging Professional Boxing", June 2000.

"Binding Ties Between African and African American Women." presentation-International Women's Day, Bethune Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Florida, March 1994.

"National Programs Serving Substance Abusing Women and their Children: Models for the District of Columbia," panel presenter, Junior League of Washington, Washington, DC, October 1993.

"Dare to Make a Difference: The Contributions of African American Women," guest speaker for the membership induction ceremony of the Coalition of 100 Black Women, Northern Virginia chapter, Arlington, Virginia, May 1991.

"Black Women in DC Politics: Struggling for Equality", Black History Month presentation, Anacostia Museum, Washington, DC, February 1990.

### **Professional Awards/Recognitions/Memberships/Positions**

Dr. Harmon Martin has been an active member of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS) and American Political Science Association, the discipline related professional associations. In NCOBPS, she has served over the years as President and Secretary-Treasurer of the Graduate Assistantship Program, Inc., National Secretary, a member of the Executive Council (2001-present) and presently serves as NCOBPS's Historian and Archivist. She also established the NCOBPS Collection, the organization's official archives, at the Robert Woodruff Library, Atlanta University Center, and Clark Atlanta University. Dr. Harmon Martin has also served as President of the Jewel Limar Prestage Mentorship Fund and Chair, JLP Award Committee, affiliates of NCOBPS.

Dr. Harmon Martin has received the following recognition from NCOBPS and APSA:

- National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Outstanding Service Award, April 1985.
- National Conference of Black Political Scientists, President's Award, March 25, 2005. Dr. David Covin, President.
- National Conference of Black Political Scientists, The Jewel Limar Prestage Mentorship Award, March 22, 2008.

- National Conference of Black Political Scientists, President's Award, March 16, 2012. Dr. Tyson King-Meadow, President.
- National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Pipeline Award, March 14, 2014, was presented to Dr. Harmon Martin in recognition of bringing undergraduate students to the annual NCOBPS meetings. The honor recognizes the commitment demonstrated to introducing the next generation of scholars to NCOBPS's tradition of scholarship, teaching, mentorship, and community engagement.

As a member of the American Political Science Association, Dr. Harmon Martin has served on the Committee on the Status of Blacks and as a member of the Board of Director, APSA Centennial Foundation. At Dr. Harmon Martin's recently retirement, Dr. Steven Rathgeb Smith, APSA Executive Director and Dr. Kimberly A. Mealy, Senior Director of DEI and Strategic Initiatives presented her a Certificate of Appreciation, "In Recognition of her Outstanding 49 years of Teaching, Research, Leadership and Service to the Political Science Profession and the Association.

### **Other Awards**

Distinguished Alumni Award, Southern University, National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (Presidential Citation, 1994).

Appreciation Award, International Boxing Federation/United States Boxing Association, June 2000.

### **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

Association for the Study of African American Life and History (Member)

Southern University Alumni-Life membership

D. C. Boxing and Wrestling Commission - Professional Boxing Judge- 1982-2004

Our Lady Queen of Peace (OLQP) Parish Advisory Board -2000-2012; Chair 2007-2010; Member since 1989 and actively involved in several ministries. OLQP Delegate to the National Black Catholic Congress, July 2023, National Harbor, Maryland

Member, Board of Directors, Black Rose Foundation for Children, Atlanta, Georgia, Present  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, 52 Years of Service; National Membership

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

**Two special interests of Dr. Harmon Martin throughout her professional career have been traveling and her involvement in the sport of Boxing.**

- Travels include Europe (France, Monte Carlo, Italy, Spain, Gibraltar, Switzerland, Germany, Greece, Great Britain, Sicily, Sardinia, Austria, former Yugoslavia); Africa (Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo, Tunisia, South Africa, Zimbabwe); Asia (China, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam and Hong Kong); South America-(Brazil); North America (Mexico, Canada, Bahamas, Jamaica, Aruba, Antigua, Puerto

Rico, St. Kitts, St. Martin and U.S. Virgin Islands), Middle East (United Arab Emirates) Australia, and United States ( 37 states).

- Professional Boxing – Dr. Harmon Martin was a professional boxing judge from 1982 to 2004 and judged over sixty (60) championship and non-championship national & international title bouts. She has a record of many accomplishments and “first” in boxing history.

## **CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION**

In conclusion, Dr. Shiela Harmon Martin, throughout her 49-year tenure at the University of the District of Columbia, has demonstrated exemplary accomplishments in her academic responsibilities of teaching, servant leadership, scholarly productivity, university, and community service. I strongly recommend that she be conferred the status of Professor Emeritus. I am confident that after your review of the synopsis of her accomplishments provided in this recommendation, that you will concur that her academic record and dedication to students and faculty of the University of the District of Columbia are deserving of the status of Professor Emeritus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Guy F. Shroyer".

Guy F. Shroyer, PhD  
Chair  
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

**SHIELA F. HARMON MARTIN, PH.D.**



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Possesses a diverse professional background that includes government service, administrative leadership responsibilities and teaching in the discipline of Political Science at the undergraduate level in higher education.

Since retiring from the University of the District of Columbia on August 15, 2023, the Political Science -Pay It Forward Fund launched on Giving Tuesday, November 28, 2023, raising to date, \$1550. The fund is designed to encourage financial support for Political Science majors by Political Science alumni. The initial goal of the fund is to raise \$10,000 to send five (5) political science students to attend the annual meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS). Students selected are required to provide presentations of their senior research projects. The meeting will be held in Los Angeles, California, March 13-17, 2024. Presently, a Political Science alum has initiated a \$5,000 match challenge to support this effort.

***EDUCATION***

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science  
Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia

Master of Arts, Political Science  
Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science  
Southern University, A&M College,  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE -Higher Education***

Over forty years of experience in higher education at the university level, serving as a Professor of Political Science and academic administrator at the department and division levels. In role, have performed the following broad responsibilities:

- Administrative tasks
- Faculty leadership, Mentoring and Development
- Student advising, counseling and consultation
- Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes
- Program Review, development, and revision
- Evaluation of teaching and promotion of new pedagogical methods
- Facilitation, development and management of grants and memoranda of agreements

## University Administrative Positions

- Chair & Professor of Political Science, Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences, August 2014-August 2019.

**Duties:** Manages and performs administrative responsibilities in an academic unit that consists of five (5) undergraduate programs (Crime Justice & Security Studies, Human Development, Political Science, and Psychology); a graduate program in Homeland Security; service courses in Geography, History, Interdisciplinary General Education, Philosophy; Administered the teach-out of History & Sociology programs. Supervises a faculty of 15 full-time faculty, 10 adjunct faculty and an administrative assistant.

Teaching responsibilities include courses in American Government, Black Politics, Legislative Process. Served as University Pre-Law Advisor-2016-2023.

- Chair & Professor of Political Science, Department of Political Science, History & Global Studies, University of the District of Columbia, August 2011 – May 2014.

**Duties:** Manages and performs administrative responsibilities in an academic department that consists of two (2) programs, History & Political Science and service courses in Geography and Philosophy; administered a teach-out plan for the discontinued Urban Studies Program; development of a Global Studies curriculum. Supervises a faculty of 7 full-time and 10 adjunct professors and an administrative assistant.

Teaching responsibilities include courses such as American Government, Black Politics, and Legislative Process.

- Chair & Professor of Political Science, Department of Urban Affairs, Social Sciences, & Social Work, University of the District of Columbia, August 1999 – January 2011.

**Duties:** Manages and performs administrative responsibilities in an academic department that consists of seven (7) programs (Criminal Justice, History, Political Science, Securities Studies, Sociology, Social Work, and Urban Studies) and service courses in Anthropology, Geography and Philosophy; Institute for Public Safety and Justice and a Nonprofit Leadership Certificate program; and 3.9 million in research grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and DC Government. Supervise a faculty of 25 full-time and 35 adjunct professors, 2 administrative staff and 4 research associates.

Teaching responsibilities include course such as American Government, Black Politics, Political Behavior, Legislative Process, and supervises Political Science Internships.

## Teaching Experience

- Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of the District of Columbia, 1974-1996.

**Duties:** Responsible for teaching 8 academic courses in an academic school year. Advisor and intern coordinator to political science majors. Serve on departmental, college and university-wide committees. Areas of Specialization: American Government, Black Politics, Legislative Process and Public Policy Analysis.

## University Service



- Director, Center for Applied Research & Urban Policy, University of the District of Columbia, January 2012-2014.

**Duties:** Manage and perform administrative responsibilities of externally funded research grants. Principal investigator of the **Child Care Market Rates and Capacity Utilization: A Study of Licensed Family Home and Child Care Center Providers in the District of Columbia.**

- Research Fellow, Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy, University of the District of Columbia, 1986- 2004.

**Duties:** Manage and conduct grant-funded research projects; serve as both principal and assistant investigators; develop research proposals and procure sources of funding.

#### Service –University-Wide and College Committees

Faculty Senate-2020

University Assessment Committee -2015-2019

University Veterans Committee-2014-2016

University General Education Committee-2010

CAS-Faculty Hiring Committee-2012-2015

CAS-Council of Chairs-1999-2019

CAS-General Education Committee-2016-2018

CAS Sabbatical Committee

CAS-Curriculum Committee

ICE –Member –Advisory Board -2018

#### University Awards

- Department of Urban Affairs, Social Sciences & Social Work, In Appreciation for Outstanding Service as Chair, 2011.
- College of Arts & Sciences, “Accomplishment in Service/Advocacy,” 2012
- College of Arts & Sciences, “Accomplishment in Leadership,” 2018.
- College of Arts & Sciences, “Legacy Award,” 2019.
- University, “Paul Phillips Cooke, Lifetime Achievement Award,” 2021.

### ***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – Government Service***

- Special Assistant for Protocol & International Affairs, Office of the Secretary, Executive Office of the Mayor, July 1997 – July 1999.

**Duties:** Serves as the official representative and primary liaison for the city government with the diplomatic community for both ceremonial and substantive matters during the Mayoral Administrations of Marion Barry and Anthony Williams. Prepares correspondences, briefings, and official reports relating to international affairs. Monitors (3) three sister city councils. Plans, coordinates, and advances international travel for Mayor.

Awarded outstanding performance rating by Secretary Kathleen Arnold (Barry Administration) and Secretary Beverly Rivers (Williams Administration).

- Special Assistant, Office of the Secretary, Executive Office of the Mayor, October 1996 - July 1997.

**Duties:** Responsible for performing administrative and politically sensitive duties for the Secretary of the District of Columbia and the Executive Office of the Mayor. Prepares correspondences, proclamations, and officials reports associated with the administrative duties of the OS. Served as liaison between the Secretary and external and District government agencies on administrative management matters. Assisted in the planning and implementation of protocol activities. Performed special projects for the Office of the Mayor.

- Grant Application Evaluator, Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health, and Human Services, 1994 -2004.

**Duties:** Evaluator of grant proposals for Prevention of Domestic Violence Initiatives, Historical Black Colleges and Universities Initiatives, Discretionary Grant Programs, Job Opportunities for Low-Income Individuals Program (JOLI) and the Residential Energy Assistance Challenge Option Program (REACH).

- Special Assistant, Office of Policy, Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Department of Transportation (Intergovernmental Assignment), July 1982-January 1984.

**Duties:** Served as a principal advisor to the Director, Office of Policy, on matters related to policy formulation and research for urban mass transit programs. Performed program reviews and managed several research contracts. Member of speech writing team for the Administrator. Represented administrator and supervisor at meetings and conferences relating to transportation policy.

- Regional Coordinator, Southern Region, Prince George's County Summer Youth Employment Program, May 1979-September 1979.

**Duties:** Implemented and coordinated summer employment program for 450 young people (ages 14-18) and supervised a staff of 35 job coaches, counselors, and clerical staff.

## PUBLICATIONS

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"An Evaluation of the DC Control Asthma NOW Project, DC Department of Health: Maternal and Family Health Administration, February 2005.

"Jewel Limar Prestage: Political Science Trailblazer and the Mother of Black Political Science," *PS: Political Science and Politics*. (Washington, DC: American Political Science Association) Vol. XXXVIII. No. 1, January 2005.

"An Assessment of the Service Delivery System to Asthmatics in the District of Columbia," Center of Applied Research and Urban Policy for the DC Department of Health: Maternal and Family Health Administration, February 2004.

"The Changing Face of Poverty in the District of Columbia", Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy for the District of Columbia: Family Services Administration, March 2003.

"Assessment of Agencies, Advocates & Providers Serving Children with Special Health Care Needs" in District of Columbia Children with Special Health Care Needs: Assessment Study, Final Report, Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy for the District of Columbia: Office of Maternal and Child Health, November 2000.

"Women in the Criminal Justice System: A Mirror of Society", Doctoral Dissertation, Clark Atlanta University, July 1996.

"Black Women in Politics: A Research Note" in Hanes Walton, *Black Politics and Black Political Behavior: A Linkage Analysis* (Praeger Publishers, 1994.)

"National Programs Serving Substance Abusing Women and their Children" in *Boarder Babies and Drug Affected Children in the District of Columbia*, Final Report, Volume II, Center for Applied Research and Urban Policy, Grant research project, April 1990 - December 1991.

"Documenting Our Legacy: Research Priorities for Black Women in Politics," *Social Science Journal of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts*. (University of the District of Columbia, 1986.)

"The Mitchell Amendment: An Analysis of the "Surface Transportation Assistance Act" of 1982," *UDC Graduate Studies and Research Journal*. (University of the District of Columbia, Fall 1985.)

"Cable Communications: An Alternative Mechanism," *Northwest Journal of Political Science* (Summer 1974.)

"Cable Communications: Toward Community Control in Atlanta". Atlanta, GA: Economic Opportunity Atlanta, Inc., May 1972.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS/GOVERNMENT FUNDING**

DC Department of Health Care Finance, Office of Health Care Ombudsman & Bill of Rights. “To conduct a Ten-Year Program Evaluation.” Memorandum of Agreement, 2020-2022, \$400,000.00.

The Urban Institute, Needs Assessment of DC Public Housing, DC Public Housing Authority, UDC Team Project Leader, 2016, \$50,000.

DC Office of the State Superintendent of Education, “To conduct the 2012 DC Child Care Market Rates and Capacity Utilization Study”. Memorandum of Agreement with the Center of Applied Research & Urban Policy, 2013, \$300,000.

Open Society Institute Grant award, May 2003-January 2007. To train high school students and teachers in public policy debate; establish a DC Urban Debate League. Amount -\$400,000.

Ford Foundation Grant, May 1988- July 1989. To develop and produce a satellite videoconference series on "Political Empowerment: The Black Vote and Implications for the Future." Award Amount-\$190,000.

## **AWARDS**

Paul Phillips Cooke Lifetime Achievement Award, University of the District of Columbia, 2021.

College of Arts & Sciences Legacy Award, University of the District of Columbia, 2019.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, President’s Award, March 16, 2012. Dr. Tyson King-Meadow, President.

College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Service Award, University of the District of Columbia, 2013.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, The Jewel Limar Prestage Mentorship Award, March 22, 2008.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, President’s Award, March 25, 2005. Dr. David Covin, President.

Freeman Seminar Fellow, Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawaii, June – July 2005. Travel and study grant to Korea to study the history and culture of Korea.

Appreciation Award, International Boxing Federation/United States Boxing Association, June 2000.

Meritorious Public Service Award, Office of the Mayor, Government of the District of Columbia, July 1999.

Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Performance Rating, Office of the Secretary, Government of the District of Columbia, March 1998.

Distinguished Alumni Award, Southern University, National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (Presidential Citation, 1994).

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Outstanding Service Award, April 1985.

## CONFERENCE AND COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Black Girls Vote Research Network. Spring 2023 (May 24,2023) Community Academic Forum, Baltimore, Md., Presentation, “Building Bridges, Knowledge, and Community: How Academics and Communities Can Work Together”.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 2019, Presentation, “Honoring the Legacy of Jewel Limar Prestage”; plenary moderator, Historian & Archivist

Association for the Study of African American Life & History, Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2011, Presentation- “Jewel Limar Prestage: Pioneer of Black Political Science”.

Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Annual Meeting, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 2007, Presentation – “Black Women in D.C. Politics”.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2006, Attendee, panel moderator and National Secretary.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2005, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, March 2005, Attendee, panel moderator and National Secretary.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2003, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, August 2004, Attendee, panel moderator, National Secretary.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, March 2004, Attendee, panel moderator and National Secretary.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2003, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Oakland, California, March 2003, Member of Executive Council and panel presenter, "Dr. Jewel L. Prestage:" Political Science Trailblazer & Mother of Black Political Science".

American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts, August 2002, Member Committee on the Status of Black in the Profession, panel moderator and presenter "Jewel Limar Prestage: Trailblazer and Mother of Black Political Science".

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2002, Attendee.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, August 2001, Attendee and member of the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Richmond, Virginia, March 2001, Attendee.

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2000, Attendee.

National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, March 2000, Attendee.

International Federation of Boxing/United States Boxing Association, Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, Presentation- "Current Debate in Judging Professional Boxing", June 2000.

"Binding Ties Between African and African American Women." presentation-International Women's Day, Bethune Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Florida, March 1994.

"National Programs Serving Substance Abusing Women and their Children: Models for the District of Columbia," panel presenter, Junior League of Washington, Washington, DC, October 1993.

"Dare to Make a Difference: The Contributions of African American Women," guest speaker for the membership induction ceremony of the Coalition of 100 Black Women, Northern Virginia chapter, Arlington, Virginia, May 1991.

"Black Women in DC Politics: Struggling for Equality", Black History Month presentation, Anacostia Museum, Washington, DC, February 1990.

## PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

National Conference of Black Political Scientists (Executive Council (2001- Present); National Secretary 2002-2010; Archivist & Historian 2009-Present); (Past President, NCOBPS - Graduate Assistantship Program, Inc.); President, Board of Directors, Jewel Limar Prestage Mentorship Award (NCOBPS).

American Political Science Association (Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession 2001-2004) & Board of Director, APSA Centennial Foundation (2006-2008).

Association for the Study of African American Life and History (Member)

Southern University Alumni-Life membership

D. C. Boxing and Wrestling Commission - Professional Boxing Judge- 1982-2004

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Advisory Board -2000-2012; Chair 2007-2010

Member, Board of Directors, Black Rose Foundation, Atlanta, Georgia, Present

## SPECIAL INTERESTS

Traveling - Travels include Europe (France, Monte Carlo, Italy, Spain, Gibraltar, Switzerland, Germany, Greece, Great Britain, Sicily, Sardinia, Austria, former Yugoslavia); Africa (Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo, Tunisia, South Africa, Zimbabwe); Asia (China, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam and Hong Kong); South America-(Brazil); North America (Mexico, Canada, Bahamas, Jamaica, Aruba, Antigua, Puerto Rico, St. Kitts, St. Martin and U.S. Virgin Islands), Middle East (United Arab Emirates) Australia, and United States ( 38 states).

Professional Boxing - Professional boxing judge from 1982 to 2004; has judged over sixty (60) championship and non-championship national & international title bouts.

## References

Furnished upon request.

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Managing Director of Finance *David A. Franklin*

**DATE:** January 18, 2024

**SUBJECT:** FIS – Appointment of Shiela Harmon Martin, Ph.D., as Professor Emerita  
College of Arts & Sciences

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### Conclusion

The proposed resolution is for the title of Professor Emerita which may be conferred by the Board of Trustees upon a retired member of the faculty who has rendered distinguished service to the University and the community of the District.

### Background

The Interim Chief Academic Officer and the Acting Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) of the University of the District of Columbia, have recommended that Emerita status be conferred upon Shiela Harmon Martin, Ph.D., retired Professor of Political Science.

This status is awarded in recognition of the Professor's wide range of contributions over the past 49 years to the academic pursuits of the University (including its predecessor Federal City College) and for her service to the University community and beyond. The award of emerita status is advocated for Professor Harmon Martin due to her distinguished academic career, which included serving as faculty, department, and division chairpersons, in addition to her contributions while on loan to a presidential administration and two (2) District of Columbia Mayoral administrations. She is especially cited for her hundreds of UDC students who experienced her outstanding teaching and mentoring and who now continue to sow her legacy through their contributions to the District, the nation and their global communities. She has continued her commitment to UDC into her retirement, in a formal volunteer position to help oversee and transition a grant that she secured for the Political Science program from the District government.

### Financial Impact

This request has been approved based upon the information provided. There is no financial impact or anticipated risks at this time.