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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 1980, Agricultural Economics, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
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EXPERIENCE

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1994-96	Director, Undergraduate Studies, Department of Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
1989-90	Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
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Christy, R. D., E. Mabaya and E. Mutambatsere. "Market Integration and Efficiency in the Presence of Cross-Border Trade Restrictions: Evidence from Selected Maize Markets in Southern Africa." Paper presented at the American Agricultural Economics Association Conference in Orlando, FL, July 27-29, 2008.

Christy, R., E. Mabaya, N. Wilson, E. Mutambatsere, and N. Mhlanga. "Enabling Environment for Competitive Agro-Industries" invited plenary paper presented at the FAO Global Agro-Industries Forum: Increasing Competitiveness and Development Impact, New Delhi, India, April 8-11, 2008.

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Mabaya, E. and Christy, R.D., "The Blind Economists and a Market: Spatial Integration and Equilibrium among Urban Spot Markets in Zimbabwe." A Poster Paper presented at 25th International Conference of International Association of Agricultural Economists, Durban, South Africa, August 2003.

Robinson, K. and Christy, R.D., "Applying Various Forms of Capital to Rural Development Challenges," Presentation at the Joint Meeting of the American Agricultural Economics Association and Rural Sociological Society, Montreal, Canada, July 27-30, 2003

Christy, Ralph D. "Food, Weapons and National Security: Carver's Communiqué to Collin," Presented at George Washington Carver Public Service Lecture, 60th Professional Agricultural Workers Conference (PAWC), Tuskegee University, December 10, 2002.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Changing World of Agriculture Economics," Presented at International Food Policy Research Institute Meeting, Nairobi, Kenya, November 23, 2002.

Christy, Ralph D. and Mabaya, Edward "Food Security in Southern Africa" Presented to the First Presbyterian Church, Ithaca, New York, October 2002.

Christy, Ralph D. "Agriculture and The Federal Budget: Policy Implications," Presented at Community of Economic Development Board Meeting, Washington, DC, October 11, 2002.

Christy, Ralph D. and Edward Mabaya. " Emerging Markets in Africa," Seminar, Institute of Africa Development, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, March 2002.

Robinson, Kenneth L, Thomas. A. Lyson, and Ralph D. Christy. "Civic Community Approaches to Rural Development in the South: Economic Growth with Prosperity," Presented at the joint meeting of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association and Southern Rural Sociological Society, Orlando, Florida, February 2002.

Christy, Ralph D. "Evaluating the Economic Performance of Alternative Market Institutions: Implications for the Smallholder Sector in Southern Africa," Invited Address, AEASA Conference 2001 on Agricultural Supply-Chains: Opportunities and Challenges, Drakenburg, South Africa, September, 2001.

Christy, Ralph D. "Enhancing the USDA 1890 Partnership: Building an Analytical Framework for Assessing Outcomes and Benefits." Discussant. September, 1999.

Kandiwa, V., Rusike, J. and Ralph D. Christy. "An Analysis of the Economic Performance of Smallholder Farmers Using Alternative Vertical Coordination Mechanisms for Marketing Horticultural Crops in Zimbabwe." Paper presented at the Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Alabama, December, 1998.

Guvheya, G., Mabaya, E., and Ralph D. Christy. "Horticultural Marketing in Zimbabwe: Margins, Price Transmission and Spatial Market Integration." Paper presented at the 57th European Association of Agricultural Economists Seminar 1998, Wageningen, The Netherlands, September 23-36, 1998.

Mabaya, E., Rusike, J. and Ralph D. Christy. "Horticultural Markets in Zimbabwe: Organization, Price Behavior, and Economic Efficiency." Paper presented at the International Association of Agricultural Economists Inter-conference Symposium, Pretoria, South Africa, August 10-16, 1998.

Christy, Ralph D. "What President Clinton Didn't Say on His African Safari". Science Based Development Luncheon Series, Rockefeller Foundation, New York, N.Y., May 14, 1998.

Gakonyo, N.E. and Ralph D. Christy. "Information and Market Structure in Zimbabwean Vegetable Wholesale Markets." Paper presented at the Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Alabama, November, 1997.

Christy, Ralph D. "Smallholders Agriculture In a Global Village." Invited Seminar, University of Zululand, South Africa, September 12, 1997.

Christy, Ralph D. "Challenges for Applied Economists in Economic Development: A Global Perspective." College of Business, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, October 29, 1996.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Policy Crisis in Agriculture." Invited Symposium Address, USDA Economists Association. Washington, D.C., October 3-4, 1996.

Gakonyo, Njeri E. and Ralph D. Christy . "Evaluating the Economic Performance of Alternative Market Institutions: Implications for Zimbabwe's Smallholder Sector." Paper presented to the Horticulture Marketing Workshop, University of Zimbabwe/CAUGHT, Harare, Zimbabwe, August 31-September 2, 1994.

Christy, Ralph D. "Small Agribusiness Economics: Performance and Prospects." Invited Paper, International Agribusiness Management Association, Caracas, Venezuela. May 19-24, 1994.

Christy, Ralph D. "Industrialization of Agriculture: Implications for Rural Development Policy." Symposium Paper, Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics, Washington, D.C. May 12, 1994.

Christy, Ralph D. "What Can Agricultural Economics Offer Agribusiness?" Invited Seminar, Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension, University of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe. October 20, 1993.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Art of Mentoring: Possibilities, Limitations, Responsibilities." Panel presentation, Ford-Mellon Summer Research Program, Eastern Regional Meetings, Columbia University, New York, NY. July 24, 1993.

Christy, Ralph D. "Economic Correctness and Agricultural Economics." Presidential Address to the Southern Agricultural Economics Association meetings, Tulsa, Oklahoma, February 1993. (Paper published, Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics, July, 1993).

Christy, Ralph D. "Social Science Research at the 1890s: Challenges and Opportunities." Invited Paper, 49th Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama. December 1991. (Paper published in Proceedings.)

Christy, Ralph D. and Joyce E. Allen. "Human Resource Issues in Rural America: Policy Directions." Invited Paper 1991 National Public Policy Education Conference, Omaha, NE, September 1991. (Paper published in proceedings.)

Christy, Ralph D. "Challenging Agendas for Human Development and the Rural Disadvantaged of the U.S." Panel presentation, Social Science Agricultural Agenda Project, Kansas City, Missouri, August, 1991.

Christy, Ralph D. "Human Resources and Rural Economic Development." Invited Presentation, Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, Dec. 1990.

Christy, Ralph D. "Marketing Strategies and Analysis for International Markets." Invited seminar, Dominican Republic Agricultural Training Project, Ithaca College, July 1990.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Contributions of Value-Added Markets to Rural Economic Development." Invited seminar, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, May 1990.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Food and Agricultural System: Characteristics, Trends, and Forces Affecting Value-Added Activities." Invited presentation, Empire State Food and Agricultural Leadership Institute, Newburgh, New York, March 1, 1990.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Impact of Plantations on Economic Development." Invited paper, The Plantation System Colloquium, Center for French and Francophone Studies, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 1989.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Afro-American and the U.S. Food System: From Plantations to Playgrounds." Invited paper, Southern Conference on Afro-American Studies, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 1989.

Christy, Ralph D. "Economic Outlook for Louisiana." Invited address, Economic Forum. Louisiana Credit Union League, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 1988.

Christy, Ralph D. "Board of Directors: Rights, Responsibilities and Powers." Panel participant, National Association of Federal Credit Unions Seventh Annual Volunteers Conference, San Francisco, California, May 1988.

Christy, Ralph D. "Meeting Consumer Preferences: Role of Agricultural Marketing." Panel paper, Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station Annual Conference, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, January 1988.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Role of the University in Economic Development." Invited address, Northwest Louisiana Economic Development Project, Grambling University, Grambling, Louisiana, June 1987.

Christy, Ralph D. "Current Issues In Developing Rural Areas." Panel presentation, National Organization of Black County Officials Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 1987.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Jamaican Food Marketing System." Invited seminar, College of Agriculture Seminar, Port Antonio, Jamaica, November 1986.

Christy, Ralph D. "Regulatory Impacts on Pricing Strategies of Rural Electric Cooperatives." NC 140 Regional Work Group Meeting, Strategic Flexibility: Capitalization and Pricing Strategies, St. Louis, Missouri, April 1986.

Christy, Ralph D. "An Overview of the Economic Performance of Louisiana Farmer Cooperatives: Implications for Our Cooperatives Research Program." Louisiana Council of Farmer Cooperatives Annual Meeting, Lafayette, Louisiana, February 1986.

Christy, Ralph D. "Risk Management Strategies in the U.S. Sugar Industry." S-190 Regional Research Meeting, Memphis, Tennessee, January 1986.

Christy, Ralph D. "Strategic Planning for Agricultural Cooperatives: A Focus on Organizational Goals and Objectives." Louisiana Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Directors Development Seminar, Alexandria, Louisiana, January 1986.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Economic Efficiency of Murang'a District Milk Marketing System: The Role of Dairy Cooperative Societies." Development Planning Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Nairobi, Kenya, November 1984.

Christy, Ralph D. "Market Risk and Institutional Innovation: Implications for Our Food Marketing System." S-190 Regional Research Meeting, Tampa, Florida, April 6, 1984.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Small Farm Problem: An Institutional Perspective." Seminar paper, College of Agriculture, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, September 1983.

Christy, Ralph D. "Cooperative Membership Relations." Young Farmer Cooperative Couple's Conference, Louisiana Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Many, Louisiana, July 1983.

Christy, Ralph D. "The Economics of Information." Seminar paper, Department of Economics, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 1983.

PROFESSIONAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Professional Associations, Community, and International Organizations

Board of Directors, Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation, Little Rock, Arkansas, (www.wrfoundation.org) 2005 – present

Board of Directors, Winrock International, Little Rock, Arkansas, (www.winrock.org) 2005 – present

Board of Directors, African Agricultural Capital, Kampala, Uganda, (www.aac.co.ke) 2005 - present

Editorial Board, Member, CHOICES: The Magazine, 2004 -.

International Advisory Panel for Faculty of Economics and Business, **University Malaysia Sarawak**, 2003 - 2006

Board of Directors, **Initiatives for Development and Equity in African Agriculture (IDEAA)** – An International Program Funded by Kellogg and Rockefeller Foundations, 2002-2004

Research Advisory Board, Member, **Committee for Economic Development**, New York, NY 2001 - 2004.

Advisory Committee, Member, **Professional Agricultural Workers Conference (PAWC)**, Tuskegee University, 1990-present

Food Security Advisory Committee, Member, **USAID / USDA** 1998-99, 2001-02.

President-Elect, President, and Past-President, **American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA)**, 1995 - 98.

President, Past-President, **Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA)**, 1991-94.

First Vice President, **SAEA**, 1990-91.

Second Vice President, **SAEA**, 1989-90.

Director, **AAEA**, 1991-94.

Director, **American Agricultural Economics Association Foundation**, 1992-94.

Associate Editor, *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 1991-93.

Member, **AAEA** Professional Activities Committee, 1990-91.

Member, **AAEA** Quality Research Committee, 1989-1991.

Member, Nominating Committee, **AAEA**, 1987-88.

Member, 1985 - present, Chairman, 1985-86, Editor, ***Newsletter***, 1987-90. Status and Opportunity of Blacks in Agricultural Economics Committee, **AAEA**,.

Director, 1983-89, Board Chairman, 1987-89, **Campus Federal Credit Union**.

Ex-officio Member of Executive, **Louisiana Council of Farmer Cooperatives**, 1981 - 89.

Editorial Council Member, *Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics*, **SAEA**, 1985-88.

University, College, and Departmental Service

Faculty-in-Residence, 1994-98
Provost Human Resource Development Council, Cornell University, 1992-93
Search Committee, Louisiana State University, Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, 1991
Strategic Planning Committee, Louisiana State University, 1989-91
Search Committee, Louisiana State University, Chancellor, 1989
Search Committee, LSU Agricultural Center, Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station Director, 1988-89

CALS Dean Search Committee, 2009-10
Cornell International Institute for Food, Agriculture and Development (CIIFAD) Program Committee, 1997-05
CALS Cross College Tenure Committee, 2003
CALS Dean Search Committee, 1999-2000
CALS Human Resource Development Committee, 1993-94
CALS Food, Nutrition, and Health Task Force Strategic Plan, 1992-93
CALS Research Experience for Minority Undergraduates, 1991-92
College of Agriculture Ad-Hoc Committee on Minorities, LSU 1988-89
College of Agriculture Committee on Academic Affairs, LSU 1987-88
College of Agriculture Faculty Policy Committee, LSU 1986

Department Awards Committee, 2002-09
Economic Theory Competency Committee, 1997-02
Department Undergraduate Program Leader, 1994-96
Departmental Graduate Policy Committee, 1988-89
Departmental Honors Curriculum Committee, Chairman, 1987-88
Editor, Louisiana Rural Economist, 1987-88
Ph.D. and M.S. Departmental Examination Committee, 1986
Departmental Research Committee, 1983-85
Faculty Co-Advisor, Agricultural Economics Club, 1983-84

AWARDS

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Circle Link Outstanding Teaching and Advising Award, 2004
Booker T. Washington Award, 2003
J. Thomas Clark Professorship, 2000
Ford Foundation Travel Award, Rural Sociological Meetings, 1990
American Agricultural Economics Association, Outstanding Black Agricultural Economist, 1990
Outstanding Faculty Award, Student Government Association, 1988
College of Agriculture Teaching Award, 1988
American Agricultural Economics Association Travel Award, 1982, 1988
Merit Award - USDA, 1975
Who's Who Among American College Students - 1975, 1976
ROTC Academic Award Medal
Dean's List - 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975