

Department of Social Work

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RE: Dr. Sharon T. Alston

To Whom It May Concern:

I enthusiastically support Dr. Sharon T. Alston's tenure and promotion application. Dr. Alston has built an impressive scholarship, grantsmanship, and research portfolio. Dr. Alston has published in referred journals, including the Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment and Research on Social Work Practice. Equally impressive, Dr. Alston has secured millions of dollars in grants and fellowships, including the prestigious Interdisciplinary Research Leader Fellow, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Dr. Alston also demonstrates keen research acumen. For instance, she was the primary investigator or program evaluator on several community-based research initiatives.

Dr. Alston's body of work demonstrates a clearly defined research agenda. Her contributions to Norfolk State University and the community are worthy of recognition.

Again, without hesitation, I support Dr. Sharon T. Alston's application for tenure and promotion.

Most sincerely,

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