



I am The ROCK

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Job: Assistant professor of biology

Started at SRU: 2003

Background: A Jamaican by nationality, my parents reared me and my three sisters in a small, close-knit community named Wakefield, which is 30 miles away from the iconic tourist center known as Ocho Rios. I received my tertiary education at the University of the West Indies, Jamaica, where I obtained an honors bachelor's degree in zoology and botany. I obtained my doctorate in zoology in the department of life sciences at the same university. I completed a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in parasite neurobiological studies at the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Pennsylvania.

Interests: I really enjoy cooking, especially Jamaican dishes when I can get my hands on the ingredients. I thoroughly enjoy spending time with my family. My wife, Sarah, and I have three little ones, Sarayne, Justine and Stainton, the delight and joy of our hearts. I also like arts and crafts.

Person I would most like to have dinner with: Martin Luther King Jr. I really admire the inner strength and love for humanity that he displayed when he was alive.

Why I work at the Rock: Subsequent to my postdoctoral fellowship, the opportunity to work at SRU became available. I really do enjoy working with students and feel a deep sense of satisfaction engaging them in their biological studies.

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