

George C. Hoffman Award for Faculty Excellence

Maude Hines, Ph.D.

MAUDE HINES is an Associate Professor in the Department of English, and Affiliate Faculty in Black Studies and Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. Professor Hines's research and teaching interests are in American literature, with particular focus on children's literature and critical childhood studies, African American literature, and the Gothic. Professor Hines came to PSU after serving on the graduate faculty at the University of Florida, and has been on the PSU faculty for two decades.

Professor Hines received her Ph.D. in Literature from Duke University, and a B.A. in English from the City College of New York. At PSU, Professor Hines has been active in shared governance, serving on many committees at the departmental, college, university, and state level, including two terms as the Presiding Officer of the Faculty Senate. She has been appointed by two governors to serve on PSU's Board of Trustees. She is a recipient of two Ford Foundation fellowships and a Fulbright award (Germany). In addition to her traditional teaching, she has collaborated with colleagues on interdisciplinary and team-taught courses, worked with community partners to provide community-based learning opportunities for students, and designed hybrid (in-person and online) curriculum.

"Dr. Hines was an innovative and original teacher, bringing challenging questions, generative activities, and thought-provoking insights to her classroom" says former PSU student China Medel, Ph.D. "As my mentor for the McNair Scholars Program Maude provided me with weekly meetings, read countless drafts of my work, looked over conference papers, edited grad school applications, and counseled me on the process of applying, programs and research. She is a consummate mentor and scholar and provides a level of dedication to her students that is, frankly, rare."

The Hoffmann Award is given annually to a faculty member in recognition of distinguished contributions to the University in the areas of instruction, university service, and scholarship which are done in the spirit of humanism, civility, and collegiality, with particular dedication to students and loyalty to the University. These values were especially cherished by the late George C. Hoffmann, a distinguished dean and professor of history at Portland State University.