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Since graduating with her PhD, she has engaged in many research projects with colleagues at the University of Florida that utilized different qualitative procedures for collecting and analyzing data; currently, she is part of the National Science Foundation African American girls' grant team. Through her work on UFTeach and Florida PROMiSE, both projects aimed toward improving math and science education and achievement across the State, Dimple hopes to have an impact on classroom teachers and students and the way they think about math and science.