

## Dulce Maria Soares Scott, Ph.D.

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Dulce Maria Soares Scott was born in São Miguel, Azores and emigrated to the United States at the age of 18. She attended the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, graduating at the top of her class with a double major in sociology and political science. Subsequently she studied at Brown University in Rhode Island, attaining a Master's degree in political science and a Ph.D. in sociology. Since then she has taught at different universities in the United States and is now a full professor at Anderson University in Indiana and an affiliated researcher with the Institute for Portuguese and Lusophone World Studies at Rhode Island College.

One of her areas of academic specialization is immigration, ethnicity and race in America. She has conducted research on Latinos, African Americans and several other ethnic groups in American society and lately she has concentrated her efforts on the experience of integration of Luso-descendants in America. She has published several papers related to this area of study and has made numerous presentations at various conferences and colloquia in the United States and Portugal. Her latest colloquium presentations took place at the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Language, in Almada, Portugal and at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Anglo-Portuguese Studies, which took place at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation in April 2011. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Academy of the Social Sciences and is an Associate Editor of the academic journal published by the Academy. She is also a research consultant to the Portuguese American Leadership Council of the United States (PALCUS).