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*Julius Amin*

In *The Souls of Black Folk* (1903), W.E.B. Du Bois predicted that “the problem of the twentieth century is the problem of the color-line.” Over a hundred years later, Du Bois’s prophesy remains relevant, as shown by occurrences in cities and towns across the country, including Ferguson, New York, and Beavercreek [Ohio], and the emergence of movements such as Black Lives Matter. In light of those events, institutions and agencies alike took measures to address challenges posed by race. Given the University of Dayton’s mission of social justice, campus programs to facilitate global and intercultural engagement to foster community spirit, and a commitment to service and fairness, there exist far too many subtle and overt racial incidents to dismiss as out of the ordinary. It is within this context that Africana Studies is sponsoring this symposium: *Critical Examination of Our Times: The State of Race on the University of Dayton Campus*. The goal is to study the history of race relations at the University, understand a sense of trends and attitudes, and outline potential steps toward building a more inclusive community. The symposium seeks to educate, inform, and bring to the forefront conversations of race on campus. It is our hope that the symposium will represent a genuine effort to begin to turn the tide of racism on our campus. It is grounded in

the Marianist Tradition of the University, and consistent with student learning goals and outcomes articulated in the Common Academic Program.

## SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016

4–5 p.m. Symposium Overview

*Kennedy Union Torch Lounge*

Patricia Alvarez, Thomas Morgan, Denise James, Una Cadegan (Moderator: Joel Pruce)

7 p.m. Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Lecture

*Kennedy Union Ballroom*

Dr. Elijah Anderson, William K. Lanman Jr. Professor of Sociology, Yale University; sponsored by the University of Dayton Speaker Series

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2016

10:10 a.m.–12:05 p.m. Panel Discussion: Findings from Student Research

*Sears Recital Hall, Humanities Building*

Gianna Hartwig, Tiara Jackson, Kwyn Townsend Riley, Camila Robles, Joshua Steed (Moderators: Thomas Morgan and Patricia Reid)

12:15–2 p.m. Lunch/Alumni Panel: Engaging the Past

*Kennedy Union Torch Lounge*

Victoria Berthé, Veronica Morris, LaShea Smith, J. W. Terry

2:30–4:30 p.m. Faculty and Staff Experiences Panel

*Kennedy Union Torch Lounge*

Kathleen Henderson, Andrew Ewwaraye, Versalle Washington, Kenya Crosson (Moderator: Julius Amin)

7 p.m. Keynote Address: Race, Belonging, and Academic  
Community at the University of Dayton  
*Kennedy Union Ballroom*  
Interim Provost Paul Benson (Introduction: Julius Amin)

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2016**

10:10 a.m.–12 p.m. Solutions and Next Steps  
*Kennedy Union Torch Lounge*  
Mike Brill, Emily Kegel, Devin Mallett, Shanir Carter,  
Shaylynn Hespeth, Khristian Santiago (Moderator: Thomas  
Morgan)

12–1 p.m. Lunch and Closing Remarks  
*Kennedy Union West Ballroom*

We've come a long, long way,  
but we have a long, long way to go.

— Martin Luther King Jr.  
Remarks at the University of Dayton  
November 28, 1964