



OAAA E-WEEKLY

THE OFFICE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN AFFAIRS E-NEWSLETTER
HIGHLIGHTING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OAAA STUDENTS

“YOUNG, GIFTED & BLACK: 40 YEARS OF PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE QUEST”

WEEK OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017

OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The moment we choose to love we begin to move against domination, against oppression. The moment we choose to love we begin to move towards freedom, to act in ways that liberate ourselves and others.”

– bell hooks

SPOTLIGHT ON OAAA STAFF



If you have visited OAAA lately, you may have met Jeffrey C. Smith II, a new Executive Assistant. Jeffrey has an extensive background in Student Affairs, and was the Assistant Director of Administrative Support at Liberty University (VA), prior to

coming to UVA. He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge of office systems and support to the deans and students. Originally from Hampton, VA, Jeffrey earned his B.S. in Information Systems and an M.A. in Christian Ministry at Liberty U. In his free time, he enjoys football, basketball and spending time with his family. WELCOME, Jeffrey to the University and the Division of Student Affairs!

You can nominate an exceptional person (not yourself) to be featured in the Spotlight. Please send your nominations to Dean Patrice Crimes (pgrimes@virginia.edu) by Thursday at 12 noon for an upcoming OAAA edition.

<p>OAAA Calculus Tutoring Tuesdays (*Feb. 7th) 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Note Location Change: Cocke Hall 115</p>	<p>OAAA Peer Statistics Tutoring Wednesdays (*Feb. 1st & 8th) 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Bryan 330</p>	<p>OAAA Calculus Tutoring Fridays (*Feb. 3rd & 10th) 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Bryan 310</p>
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*OAAA Tutoring will be relocated for two weeks. Tutoring will return to OAAA in the WEB DuBois Conference Room on Tuesday, February 14th at the normal times.

Statistics 2120 @ McIntire

Tuesdays

5:00 PM – 7:00 pm

Rouse Robertson 118 - -Food!

Contact Jessica Thornton (jat9xe@virginia.edu) for more information.

RTB 4.0 Study & Tutoring Sessions-Spring Semester

Sundays through Thursdays

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LBJ Black Cultural Center (study with Peer Advisors) & WEB

DuBois Conference Room (small group tutoring):

Sunday – Open

Monday – Open

Tuesday – Calculus (OAAA grad tutor)

Thursday – Biology (peer)

For details, see Raising-the-Bar Coordinator: Soyini Nibbs (skn2eh).

RTB 4.0 – It's Not Just for First Years' Anymore!

Black Friday



FRIDAYS

1:30 pm

LPJ Cultural Center

Come join us for food & fellowship!

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT UVA:

“THRIVING STILL: THE CRISIS OF BLACK EDUCATION”
THIS WEEK'S FEATURED EVENT:

OAAA BHM Event: “Considering the Importance of Black History in Our Current Context”

Monday, February 6th

6:00 pm

Maury Hall – Room 115

Guest Speaker, Gary L. Flowers, Civil Rights Advocate

Presented by: Lambda Chapter, Omega Psi Phi, Incorporated & Office of African-American Affairs

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Scholarship and Fellowship Series -- Spring 2017

Mondays (through March 6th)

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Rotunda Multipurpose Room (121)

There are awards for students at all stages (undergraduate, graduate, professional) – and even alumni.

It is never too early to start learning about these opportunities. Special Events are also listed.

An Introductory Workshop

QUOTE'S CORNER: 'bell hooks'



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Gloria Jean Watkins, better known by her pen name 'bell hooks', is an American author, feminist and social activist.

The focus of hooks' writing has blended race, capitalism, gender, and her self-description of the ways in which those systems produce and maintain oppression and class domination. She has published over 30 books and numerous scholarly articles, appeared in documentary films, and participated in public lectures. In 2014, she founded the bell hooks Institute at Berea College (KY). **For more information, visit: <http://www.bellhooksinstitute.com/>**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MAY 2017

Sunday 7th & Wednesday 10th	Reading Days
Friday, 19 th	Donning of the Kente Ceremony
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st	Final Exercises

ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES

(varies by school)

Friday, April 28th - Drop with a W**	Law
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ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES

(varies by school)

March 15th - Drop with W **	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Architecture - Arts & Sciences - BIS Program - Commerce (1) - Education (2) - Frank Batten School of Leadership & Public Policy - Nursing
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ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES

(varies by school)

March 1st - Drop without Penalty (course removed from transcript)	Engineering
March 15th - Drop with W **	

Monday, February 6th

Don't know what national scholarships & fellowships are? Wondering what the point of pursuing any of them might be? Unsure of how you could be competitive? Come enjoy a chance to envision yourself as an applicant for these incredible opportunities. This workshop is most appropriate for first and second years or older students who have yet to be exposed to national scholarships & fellowships at the University of Virginia.

Asia Awards (Luce, Schwarzman, Yenching Academy)

Monday, February 13th

These three awards offer fully-funded experiences in Asia for study or job placement. Come learn what they are, what it takes, and how the University of Virginia can support you. Interested but not sure if you are qualified, come find out for sure.

UK Awards (Ex. Churchill, Gates, Marshall, Mitchell, & Rhodes)

Monday, February 20th

A number of excellent graduate school opportunities in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Come learn what they are, what it takes, and how the University of Virginia can support you. Interested but not sure if you are qualified, come find out for sure.

Awards for STEM Students

Monday, February 27th

There are just as many – if not more – opportunities for STEM students. This session will explore some awards specifically geared toward STEM students and a number of awards that many exclude from consideration but shouldn't!

***NO SESSION* (Spring Break)* - Monday, March 6th**

OPPORTUNITIES WITH DEADLINES

Virginia Space Grant Consortium STEM Internships: NASA Academy Summer Research Internships

Application Deadline: Monday, February 6th

The NASA Academy is a unique summer institute of higher learning whose goal is to guide future leaders of the Space Program by giving them a unique perspective on the entire NASA system. It includes a 10-week residency program on the campus of a NASA research center. During this residency, students work closely with NASA researchers on on-going projects, work with other residents on team projects, and attend discussions with experts from both inside and outside NASA. Apply at: www.AcademyApp.com Contact: Chris Carter, cxcarter@odu.edu, 757-766-5210

2017-18 Student Member of the Board of Visitors: Application Open

Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 8th @ 11:59 pm

The Student Member serves a one-year term as a sounding board for the Board of Visitors regarding issues that affect students at the University, and must actively assess and predict the general student reaction to the Board's decisions. Undergraduate candidates must be full-time students in their last year of stud; graduate candidates must be in at least their second year of study or have completed their undergraduate studies at UVA. **More information and the application can be found on the VPSA website: <http://vpsa.virginia.edu/student-member>**

Eben Tisdale Public Policy Fellowship

Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 8th

Opportunity for undergraduates to intern in Washington, D.C. at the intersection of technology and public policy. The Tisdale Fellowship offers a full \$8,695 scholarship for students to attend the Institute on Business and Government Affairs (IBGA) plus a \$1,000 stipend. Fellows will intern with a leading technology corporation working on public policy, earn 6 academic credits and live in furnished housing in downtown Washington, DC. **For more information please visit: <http://tfas.org/programs/tisdale-fellowship/>**

VSGC Scholarship and Fellowship Program Undergraduate Research Scholarships

Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 8th

One-year, non-renewable support for undergraduate students enrolled in a Virginia Space Grant university pursuing a STEM field of study with aerospace relevance and actively engaged in a research project. Information about Graduate STEM Research Fellowship opportunities and questions concerning the preparation and submission of proposals and the administration of this program should be directed to the VSGC's Scholarship Coordinator, Telephone (757) 766-5210; Fax (757) 766-5205; or e-mail: vsgc@odu.edu.

Moore Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program (MURAP)

Application Deadline: Friday, February 10th

The MURAP is a ten-week paid summer research internship for undergraduate students (rising juniors or seniors) in the humanities, social sciences, and fine arts. The program will be held from May 21 to July 27, 2017 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. MURAP seeks to prepare talented and motivated underrepresented students from racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds, or those with a proven commitment to diversity and to eradicating racial disparities in graduate school and the academy, for graduate study in fields in the humanities, social sciences, and fine arts. The program provides students with a rigorous research experience under the guidance of a UNC faculty mentor. To

THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6TH – 12TH

BLACK HISTORY MONTH - In 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, historian and founder of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, announced the second week of February as "Negro History Week."



The expansion of Black History Week to Black History Month was first proposed by the leaders of the Black United Students at Kent State University in February 1969.

The first celebration of the Black History Month took place at Kent State one year

later, in February 1970. In 1976, the expansion of Negro History Week to Black History Month was officially recognized by the U.S. government. In 1986, Congress passed Public Law 99-244 (PDF, 142KB) which designated February 1986 as "National Black (Afro-American) History Month." This law noted that February 1, 1986 would "mark the beginning of the sixtieth annual public and private salute to Black History." The law further called upon to President to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe February 1986 as Black History Month, with the appropriate ceremonies and activities. Since its inception in 1926, Negro History Week and Black History Month have had annual themes. The first annual theme was simply, "The Negro in History," but since then the themes have become more specific. **The theme for 2017 is "Thriving Still: The Crisis Of Black Education" For more information:** <http://www.woodsonmuseum.org/about-us>

February 2, 1915: Biologist, academic and Science writer Ernest Everett Just received the first Spingarn Medal for pioneering research on fertilization and cell division.



Ernest Just's primary legacy is his recognition of the fundamental role of the cell surface in the development of organisms. In his work within marine biology, cytology and parthenogenesis, he advocated the study of whole cells under normal conditions, rather than simply breaking them apart in a laboratory setting. Of equal note, Ernest

Just and three Howard University (DC) students (Edgar Amos Love, Oscar James Cooper, and Frank Coleman), established the Omega Psi Phi fraternity on the campus of Howard University on December 15, 1911. The Alpha Chapter was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia on October 28, 1914. **For more information, visit:** <http://www.asbmb.org/asbmbtoday/asbmbtoday.aspx?id=5878>

February 8, 1968: The Orangeburg (SC) Massacre occurred in which three students were killed: Henry Smith (19), Samuel Hammond (18)—both South Carolina State University students -- and Delano Middleton (17), a local high school student.



At the time, the clash between students and police was the most violent incident in South Carolina's civil rights history. Students started a bonfire on the state college's campus. Authorities moved in; 27 protestors were injured during four nights of protest. The federal government brought

access an application, or for additional information about MURAP, please visit their [website](#) or contact Ashley Lee, Program Coordinator, at murap@unc.edu.

NASA National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program

Application Deadline: February 13th

Applicants will be notified early April

Research awards of add-on graduate support for students enrolled at a Virginia Space Grant university pursuing a STEM field of graduate study (Masters or Doctoral level) with aerospace relevance. Max: \$5,000. For more information on scholarships/fellowships contact VSGC at (757) 766-5210 or by email at vsge@odu.edu. Letters of recommendation must be received by February 20 th

Double Hoo Research Grant

Applications Due: Monday, February 13th

UVA Graduate students are currently seeking undergraduate students to collaborate on Double Hoo research proposals. The program is intended to encourage collaborative interaction between the undergraduate and graduate communities throughout the University. You can read project descriptions here: <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/doublehoo/projects.html>. Applications must be submitted jointly by undergraduate-graduate student pairs. The undergraduate may be a first or second-year student at the time of application. Third- year applicants are limited to transfer students. **For more information go to our website:** <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/doublehoo.html>

2017-18 Undergraduate STEM Research Scholarship Program

The VSGC Undergraduate STEM Research Scholarship Program provides awards of up to \$8,500 to rising 3rd and 4th year students who are enrolled full-time in a program of study in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM), and have a specific faculty-mentored research project that has NASA or aerospace relevance.

Research Technician Position (Laboratory and Research Technician 1)

Applications Due: Wednesday, February 15th

Expected Start Date: April 1st

Technician in UVA's Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, in the laboratory of Francine Garrett-Bakelman, M.D., Ph.D., will help establish/manage and perform experiments in the laboratory studying epigenetic mechanisms of disease in cancer. The focus of the Garrett-Bakelman Lab is to understand how epigenetic mechanisms contribute to disease pathogenesis in Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML). Interested applicants are encouraged to apply for position **posting number 0620190** at jobs.virginia.edu/ (University Staff category). Required application documents are: cover letter, resume/curriculum vitae, and contact information for professional references.

2017 Beckman Scholarships

Applications Due Friday, February 24th

These scholarships promote a professional level of scientific achievement during the undergraduate years by pairing students with proven mentors, providing financial support, and sponsoring travel to national scientific meetings. Each year the 1-3 awardees will receive up to \$21,000 in scholarship, travel, and other funding. Their mentors will receive an additional \$5,000 each to be used in direct support of their scholar (including travel). Also, scholars must work with one of fifteen approved faculty mentors. Please visit the [Beckman Scholars @ UVA web site](#) to learn more and to find application instructions. Contact: Beckman.Scholars@virginia.edu

James Madison Graduate Fellowships

Application Deadline: Wednesday, March 1st at 5:00 p.m. CST

This scholarship is named for President James Madison is awarded to students who are or who plan to be teachers of American history, American government, or social studies at the secondary level. The award is to fund a master's degree (MA, MAT, or MED) that will improve the student's understanding of American history, and the Constitution, in particular. For more information, please visit: <http://www.jamesmadison.gov/>

The Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers (IRT) Summer 2017 Workshop

Spring Webinars! [RSVP](#) for a webinar!

Wednesday, March 1st from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST & 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST

Friday, March 3rd from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST & 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST

This opportunity is perfect for students considering graduate school to explore a career option in the humanities or social sciences. Summer study includes examining traditional and cutting-edge theory and cultural criticism in the disciplines of education, the humanities, and social science. Classes are designed to introduce students to the philosophical rigors associated with the kinds of texts one encounters in graduate study. For more information visit: <https://irt.andover.edu/>

Adventures in Veterinary Medicine (AVM) Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University

College Session 3: Monday, June 5th – Friday, June 9th & Monday, June 12th – Friday, June 16th

AVM, an exciting and intensive program where participants can explore the wide variety of careers available within veterinary medicine, and discover first-hand what it is like to attend veterinary school. AVM is a great way to gain a deeper understanding of the profession and allows them to experience life as a veterinary student and explore opportunities within the field. Full details, including eligibility, tuition, and the online application, can be found on our [website](#).

Hoos in the Office: Volunteer in the Admissions Office

Hoos in the Office, under the Virginia Ambassadors, allows current students to volunteer in Peabody Hall, connecting them with prospective students and parents. Duties include checking in students and parents in the morning, and answering student-life questions in the afternoons. This is a very relaxed and fun commitment that has rewarding results. Email gwm5xe@virginia.edu to learn more.

charges against the state police. This brought about the first federal trial of police officers for using excessive force at a campus protest. Although nine Highway Patrol officers faced federal charges in connection with the shootings, all were acquitted. **For more information:** <http://www.blackpast.org/aah/orangeburg-massacre-1968>

Bunche Summer Institute at Duke University (NC)

For those interested in Political Sciences, visit Website- <https://sites.duke.edu/bunche/>

National Science Foundation (NSF)

NSF provides research opportunities for students at sites across the country in all STEM fields and the Social Sciences. Visit the website- https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/reu_search.jsp

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Professor Shigehiro Oishi, Department of Psychology, is looking for undergraduate Research Assistants who are interested in topics such as happiness, culture, and social ecology. RAs typically run experiments, code data, gather data on the web, and attend bi-weekly research meetings. Please visit Professor Oishi's lab page: <http://people.virginia.edu/~so5x/lab.htm>. For more information, visit: <https://med.virginia.edu/faculty/unleash-undergraduate-research-program/> If you are interested, please contact Hyewon Choi (Ph.D. student in social psychology) at hyewonchoi3@gmail.com.

Association of American Medical Colleges - Summer Undergraduate Research Programs (SURP)

AAMC is dedicated to transforming health care through innovative medical education, cutting-edge patient care, and groundbreaking medical research. Medical Schools' summer 2017 programs include research opportunities and introduction to clinical settings in the medical field. For more information, visit the website- https://www.aamc.org/members/great/61052/great_summerlinks.html

Center for Undergraduate Excellence (CUE) Programs

For an up-to-date list of spring 2017 activities and programs, visit: <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/> or contact Andrus Ashoo (aga3j@virginia.edu)