

# 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, MARCH 13, 2017

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*“True democracy is a project that’s much bigger than any one of us. It’s bigger than any one person, any one president, and any one government. It’s a job for all of us.”*

- Barack Obama

## SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Chanel DuPree is a Fourth-year student in the McIntire School of Commerce, with concentrations in accounting and finance. As an Echols Scholar and Dean’s List student, she has received recognition for her scholarship and service from the Virginia Women in Public Finance and Tau Gamma Delta Sorority, Inc.

On Grounds, Chanel is a Resident Advisor, has served as an OAAA Peer Advisor and co-chairs events for the Black Commerce Student Network (BCSN). In her role as financial officer to the United for Undergraduate Socioeconomic Diversity (UFUSED), she has helped to raise awareness of the social, economic and policy gaps that exist in Charlottesville among students, University employees and the local community.

This summer, Chanel will return to KPMG in the Philadelphia (PA) area, as a continuation of her participation in the KPMG future Leaders Diversity Program. Next year, she will begin her MS in Accounting at McIntire and plans to remain active across Grounds.

You can nominate an exceptional student (not yourself) to be featured in the Spotlight on Student Achievements. Please send your nominations to Dean Patrice Grimes ([pgrimes@virginia.edu](mailto:pgrimes@virginia.edu)) by Thursday at 12 noon for an upcoming OAAA edition.

## OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

### OAAA Calculus Tutoring

Tuesdays 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm & Fridays 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

OAAA in the WEB DuBois Conference Room

### Statistics 2120 Support @ McIntire

Tuesdays ● 5:00 PM – 7:00 pm ● Rouse Robertson 118 - Food!  
Contact Jessica Thornton ([jat9xe@virginia.edu](mailto:jat9xe@virginia.edu)) for more information

### RTB 4.0 Study & Tutoring Sessions-Spring Semester

Sundays through Thursdays

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LPJ Black Cultural Center (study with Peer Advisors)

&

WEB DuBois Conference Room (small group tutoring):

**Monday** – Open

**Tuesday** – Calculus (OAAA grad tutor)

**Wednesday** – Open

**Thursday** – Biology (peer)

For details, see Raising-the-Bar Coordinator: Soyini Nibbs ([skn2eh](mailto: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!

**March Madness!** LPJ Student Funding Committee March Madness  
Thursday, March 16th to Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Thursday until 8pm  
**LPJ Cultural Center – Dawson’s Row #3**

Come join the LPJ Student Funding Committee all tournament long! The TV in LPJ will be available to you to watch the nation’s top teams, as they compete for the national title.

### **OAAA/GradSTAR Spring Seminar: Project Management for Aspiring Leaders**

**Application deadline: Friday, March 24th**

Saturday, April 1, 2017

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (free continental breakfast & lunch)

Ruffner 302 (Data Commons Lab)

Learn the skills to lead groups and manage projects in your CIO, service group or course project! Led by Dean Grimes, participants will learn & practice the project planning process from start to finish and receive a certificate of completion. Spaces are limited – all years are welcome -- apply today at <http://oaaa.virginia.edu/project-management-aspiring-leaders> . For more information, contact Dean Patrice Grimes, OAAA GradSTAR Program Director, at [pgrimes@virginia.edu](mailto:pgrimes@virginia.edu)

**QUOTE'S CORNER: Barack Obama**



**Former President Barack Obama**

**Barack H. Obama served as the 44th President of the United States.**

President Obama was born in Hawaii on August 4, 1961. After working his way through college, he attended law school, where he became the first

African-American president of the Harvard Law Review. Upon graduation, he returned to Chicago to help lead a voter registration drive and teach constitutional law at the University of Chicago. As a United States Senator, he reached across the aisle to pass groundbreaking lobbying reform, lock up the world's most dangerous weapons, and bring transparency to government by putting federal spending online. He was elected the 44th President of the United States on November 4, 2008 and sworn in on January 20, 2009. He was re-elected in 2012, serving until the end of his term on January 20, 2017. President Obama and his wife, Michelle, are the proud parents of two daughters, Malia and Sasha. **For more information visit: <http://www.biography.com/people/barack-obama-12782369>**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

MAY 2017	
Sunday 7th & Wednesday 10th	Reading Days
Friday, 19th	Donning of the Kente Ceremony
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st	Final Exercises

ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWL DEADLINES	
(varies by school)	
Friday, April 28th – Drop with a W**	Law

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(varies by school)	
March 15th – Drop with W **	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Architecture</li> <li>- Arts &amp; Sciences</li> <li>- BIS Program</li> <li>- Commerce (1)</li> <li>- Education (2)</li> <li>- Frank Batten School of Leadership &amp; Public Policy</li> <li>- Nursing</li> </ul>

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March 15th – Drop with W **	Engineering

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY**

**Symposium: The True Impact of Bias on Health & Wellness in America**

Wednesday, March 15th – Thursday, March 16th  
Newcomb Hall

This two-day symposium will host thoughtful dialogue on the impact of unconscious bias on the health and wellness of all individuals, populations, and communities. Nationally-known experts and members of our local community will gather to share their knowledge/experience, and guide town hall sessions to develop solutions. **Register [HERE](#)**. Sponsored by the Office of Continuing Medical Education of the University of Virginia School of Medicine.

**Diversity Learning Series - Dr. Claude Steele**

Thursday, March 16th  
11:00 pm – 12:30 pm  
Newcomb Hall Theatre

Dr. Claude Steele will discuss his research focusing on the psychological experience of the individual and, particularly, on the experience of threats to the self and the consequences of those threats. The University community is welcome – arrive early!

**Black Alumni Weekend Student Volunteers**

Deadline to Sign Up: Friday, March 17th

The 2017 Black Alumni Weekend Planning Committee needs dedicated and motivated student volunteers to help make this year's reunion a success! Volunteers have the opportunity to network with hundreds of Black Alumni, enjoy free food, receive a free t-shirt and gain entrance to the weekend's events. BAW 2017 will be held Friday, April 7th – Sunday, April 9th. To apply go to: <http://alumni.virginia.edu/reunions/black-alumni-weekend/baw-2017-student-volunteer-sign/>

**Meet The Author: Tayari Jones – Silver Sparrow Book Club (BIG READ)**

Friday, March 17th at 6:00 pm @ Northside Library 705 West Rio Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901  
Saturday, March 18th at 6:00 pm @ Jefferson School African American Heritage Center

UVA Professor Lisa Woolfork interviews Tayari Jones. The NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, in partnership with Arts Midwest, designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture. The NEA Big Read is presented in partnership with Arts Midwest and supported by the Art and Jane Hess Fund of the Library Endowment. For questions, or if you would like to participate email the [NEA Big Read team at JMRL](mailto:NEA Big Read team at JMRL).

**UVA's First Global Black Girlhood Conference - Undergraduate Portion**

Saturday, March 18th  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Harrison Institute and Small Special Collections Library

The Global History of Black Girlhood Conference brings forth the narrative of the past and present Black female through a unique form of memorialization and celebration. Attendees will discuss the history of Black girlhood through the lenses of violence, slavery, emancipation, migration, age, beauty culture, performance studies, technology, literature, and a number of disciplines. The convocation of diverse expertise, cultures, and accomplishments will contribute to the enhancement of the University's race relations and inclusive nature. Cosponsors: Memorial for Enslaved Laborers, Office of Diversity & Equity, Dean of Students, Vice President and Chief Student Affairs Office, Office of African-American Affairs and the College Council. Visit for more information: <https://globalhistoryofblackgirlhood.org>  
Contact: Heba Abdelhameid, Diana Wilson, Email: [GBGCUVA@gmail.com](mailto:GBGCUVA@gmail.com)

**The Catherine Strader McGehee Memorial Lecture: A Conversation with Ms. Mavis Claytor, MSN, BSN – School of Nursing's First African-American Nurse Graduate**

Friday, April 7th  
12:00 pm  
McLeod Auditorium – Central Grounds

The University community is invited to hear words from this trailblazer in the nursing field. Arrive early!

**The Astronaut Scholarship Foundation (ASF)**

Application Deadline: Tuesday, March 14th at 12:00 NOON

The ASF will award up to \$10,000 to a qualifying UVA undergraduate student majoring in natural or applied science, engineering or mathematics with intentions to pursue research or advance their field upon completion of their final degrees. Students must be nominated by a UVA faculty member, be a U.S. citizen, and have completed two years, or be in their second year of full time study at UVA. Students intending to pursue a practice in professional medicine are not eligible for the scholarship. For more information [http://people.virginia.edu/~kt4n/Astronaut\\_Scholarship/Astronaut\\_Scholarship.html](http://people.virginia.edu/~kt4n/Astronaut_Scholarship/Astronaut_Scholarship.html). You can mail nomination to P.O. Box 400746, or as an email attachment to [kt4n@virginia.edu](mailto:kt4n@virginia.edu)

## THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

WEEK OF MARCH 13TH – 19TH



Rebecca J. Cole (b. March 16, 1846) was a 19th Century American physician. In 1867, she was the second African-American woman to become a doctor in the United States, after Rebecca Crumpler's achievement three years earlier. Born in Philadelphia (PA), Cole trained and graduated from all-female institutions, including the Institute for Colored Youth and the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania.

Later, Cole interned at Elizabeth Blackwell's New York Infirmary for Indigent Women and Children and practiced medicine in South Carolina. In 1873, Cole opened a Women's Directory Center in Washington, D.C. to provide medical and legal services to destitute women and children. In January 1899, she was appointed superintendent of a home, run by the Association for the Relief of Destitute Colored Women and Children. Although Cole practiced medicine for fifty years, few records survive of her efforts, and only two photos remain. Cole died on August 14, 1922.

For more information please visit:  
<http://www.civilwarwomenblog.com/rebecca-cole/>

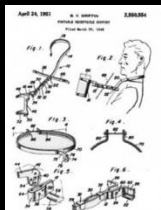
March 20, 1912 - Carter G. Woodson received a doctorate from Harvard University. Woodson was born in 1875 in New Canton, Virginia. He began high school in his late teens and was an excellent student; he completed a four-year course of study in less than two years. After attending Berea College in Kentucky, Woodson worked for the U.S. government as an education superintendent in the Philippines and traveled before returning to the United States. Later, Woodson earned his bachelor's and master's from the University of Chicago. In 1912, he became the second African-American, after W.E.B. DuBois, to earn a Harvard Ph.D. Then, Woodson dedicated himself to the study of African-American history, with a goal that the subject be taught in schools throughout the United States and studied by scholars. For his efforts, Woodson is often called the "Father of Black History." He lobbied extensively to establish Negro History Week (which later became Black History Month), as a nationwide observance and wrote many historical works, including the 1933 book, *The Mis-Education of the Negro*. From his Washington DC home, he directed the operations of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) and the Associated Publishers, a publishing company. He died in 1950. In recent years, the National Park Service has designated his home as a national historic site and plans are underway to raise funds to restore the site. For more information please visit:



<http://www.blackpast.org/aah/woodson-carter-g-1875-1950>

## DID YOU KNOW...?

This is a partial list of African-American inventors and scientists who have invented items or made discoveries in the course of their lives.



Bessie Blount, was a physical therapist who worked with soldiers injured in W.W.II. Her war service inspired her to patent a device in 1951, that allowed amputees to feed themselves. The electrical device allowed a tube to deliver one mouthful of food at a time to a patient in a wheelchair or in a bed whenever he or she bit down on the tube. She later invented a portable receptacle support that was a simpler and smaller version of the same, designed to be worn around a patient's neck. Blount was born in Hickory, Virginia in 1914, and later moved to New Jersey. She studied to be a physical therapist at the Panzar College of Physical Education, at Union Junior College and then furthered her training as a physical therapist in Chicago. In 1951, she started teaching Physical Therapy at the Bronx Hospital in New York. She

### The VA-NC Alliance Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium: March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, March 15th

This is an ideal opportunity for SEAS and College students to present their research. Below you'll find the link to the symposium registration form and information about lodging, the keynote speaker, and the agenda. Interested students will receive support from their schools for printing their posters and securing travel arrangements (e.g., hotel reservations, transportation at Saint Augustine's University in Raleigh NC. <https://lsamp.virginia.edu/annual-symposium>

### University Award for Arts Projects

Application Deadline: Monday, March 20th

Have an idea for an arts project? This award is intended to expand students' opportunities for creative expression and showcase significant accomplishments in the arts. The program funds outstanding undergraduate projects in the arts to be carried out in the summer and the upcoming academic year. For more information see: <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/artsaward.html>

### Kenan Fellowship

Application Deadline: Monday, March 20th

The William R. Kenan Endowment Fund of the Academical Village has established an endowment to fund educational outreach programs that further the educational mission of Jefferson's Academical Village. The fund will support five awards of \$4,000 for full-time research to be conducted during the summer. These research projects may include architectural or field internships; development of exhibitions and other educational opportunities to inform and engage the public (of all ages) in the history, evolution, and restoration of this World Heritage site; preparation of materials on historic preservation for publication and public distribution; and other educational outreach initiatives. For more information see: <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/kenanscholarship.html>

### UVA Parents Fund Grant

Application Deadline: Monday, March 27th at 12:00 NOON

Parents Fund Internship Grants of \$3,000 each are awarded in the spring of each academic year and are intended to provide funds that support 2nd and 3rd-year students who have secured unpaid internships in any of the five areas of public concern as defined by the Virginia 2020 Commission: Civic Engagement and Public Policy; Economic and Business Development; Education (both K-12 and Lifelong Learning); Environment (both planned and natural); Health. For more information visit: <https://career.virginia.edu/internships/funding/pfig/application>

### Larry Simpson Internship Scholarship

Application Deadline: Monday, April 3rd at 12:00 NOON at noon

This scholarship is designed to encourage rising 4th year students in the College of Arts & Sciences to participate in summer internships. The award will total up to \$2,000 per summer. In evaluating applications, high priority will be placed on financial need, the connection between academic and career goals, level of responsibility, and quality of the application.

### 2017 Duke Summer Session

Duke University's (NC) Summer Session is now hiring paid interns for its 2017 summer programs. See below for just a few of the available position for this summer:

- Resident Assistants (July 3 - August 5)
- Teaching Associates (July 15 - August 5)
- Program Assistants (June 12 - August 15)
- Office Assistants (June 26 - August 5)
- Writing Tutors (July 15 - August 5)

For more information and full job descriptions email us at [summercollege@duke.edu](mailto:summercollege@duke.edu) Or, check us out <https://summersession.duke.edu/>.

### The UVA Office of Global Internships Information Sessions

Accepting applications for internship opportunities for summer 2017 on Handshake. Positions are available in a diversity of fields, including architecture, social entrepreneurship, marketing, education, international community development, and many others. Locations range from Belgium to India, Morocco to China, and Argentina to Indonesia. Of special note is a new UVA 6-credit internship program in Shanghai for non-Chinese speakers! Application deadlines vary, and additional positions will be posted through March. Join Handshake: UVA's main job posting website, for job and internship postings. <https://app.joinhandshake.com/login>

#### • Internships with NGOs and Think Tanks – India

UVA Global Internships is partnering with faculty, alumni, and others to develop a network of organizations in which students may seek positions in India. Fields include women and children's issues; environment and sustainability; music, art, and architecture; communication studies; education and youth development; start-ups; and more. One such organization is the Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Institute, which works at the levels of policy, program implementation, education, and research to develop skilled water and sanitation professionals throughout the nation. Contact Ingrid Hakala, director of Global Internships, if you are interested.

#### • Fundación Banco de Alimentos (Food Bank) of Buenos Aires - Human Resources Intern and Project Intern in Buenos Aires, Argentina

The Food Bank of Buenos Aires is a non-profit organization that aims to reduce hunger, improve nutrition and avoid food waste. It contributes to feed 100,002 people, 80% of which are children and teenagers, through a network of 760 community-based organizations from the City and the Province of Buenos Aires. **The Project intern** -- will research the food market and distributions systems of the metropolis of Buenos Aires, identify new food donor partners, and make field visits to coordinate with

was unable to successfully market her valuable inventions and found no support from United States Veteran's Administration, so she gave the patent rights to the French government in 1952. The French government put the device to good use, helping to make life better for many war vets. Blount's patent was filed under her married name of Bessie Blount Griffin.

For more visit: <http://americacomesalive.com/2016/02/11/bessie-blount-griffin-physical-therapist-and-inventor/>

local food distribution centers. The Human Resources intern – will learn about what it takes to manage a non-profit with more than 150 volunteers, including the processes of recruitment, selection, orientation, placement, and community outreach. **To access the full position description and to apply, visit: Handshake Posting #625336**

- **HoGent University - Departments of Nutrition and Biomedical Laboratory Technology Administration/Research/Curriculum Development Internship in Ghent, Belgium**

University College Ghent strives to excel in education, research, service provision and practice of the arts. The intern will provide administrative support to the departments of Biomedical Laboratory Technology and Nutrition & Dietetics, while also participating in on-going research projects and developing course and other written materials. Fields: Nutrition & Dietetics, Public Health, Biomedical Engineering, Applied Sciences. **To access the full position description and to apply, visit: Handshake Posting #619285**

- **Social issues- and policy-oriented internships in Rabat, Morocco**

UVA students have previously participated in internships with many non-governmental organizations, government agencies, and companies in Morocco, thanks to the presence of UVA Global Internships Outreach Representative Majida Bargach in Rabat. Organizations include: Fondation Orient-Occident (culture, education/training, and responsible development; emphasis on migrants and refugees); Le Centre Scientifique Arabe d'Études et de Recherches Humaines; Association le Féminin Pluriel; AMEE - Agence Marocaine pour l'Efficacité Énergétique, and Association Marocaine de Planification Familiale. **To apply, please visit Handshake posting #637798 and contact Ingrid Hakala, director of Global Internships, to discuss your interests. All students seeking internships in Morocco must have some prior knowledge of French or Arabic.**

**Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) – Summer Undergraduate Research Programs (SURP)**

AAMC is dedicated to transforming health care through innovative medical education, cutting-edge patient care, and groundbreaking medical research. The AAMC 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](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 ([aga3i@virginia.edu](mailto:aga3i@virginia.edu))