

# 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, NOVEMBER 7, 2016

OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*“We need to fix our souls. Our souls are broken in this nation. We have lost our way. And it begins with inspiration. It begins with leadership.”*

-- Michelle Obama

### Calculus Tutoring

**Tuesdays** 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Fridays** 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

### Statistics Tutoring

**Wednesdays** – 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

WEB DuBois Conference Room  
(small groups)

### Black Fridays

**Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> 1:30 pm**

LPJ Cultural Center  
Food + Fellowship

## SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Zaria R. Ashby is a third year student in the College of Arts and Sciences from the Bronx, New York. She is double majoring in Foreign Affairs and Anthropology with a minor in Entrepreneurship. As an active student at UVa, she is the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), a Peer Advisor with the Office of African-American Affairs (OAAA), and a member of the Virginia Anthropology Society.



Zaria is also an office assistant at OAAA, and a sales associate at White House Black Market in the Barracks Road shopping area. In addition to her studies and part-time employment, Zaria spends every Friday afternoon volunteering with Habitat for Humanity where she aids in building houses for lower income residents in the Charlottesville area. After graduation, Zaria plans to start a career in either operations or strategy consulting.

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.

The Office of African-American Affairs is on FACEBOOK! LIKE US to keep up-to-date with events and more info about OAAA!

### RTB 4.0 Study & Tutoring Sessions – Fall 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 – Chemistry (peer), Monday – Open, Tuesday – Calculus (OAAA grad tutor),**

**Wednesday – Statistics (OAAA/McIntire 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 College Women

Wednesday, November 9th

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

W.E.B Dubois, Conference Room

Lunch!

#### Black College Women Book Club Informational Session

Tuesday, November 15th

6:00 pm

Newcomb Hall Board Room 376

Dinner: Sticks Kebob

#### Black Male Initiative Book Club Meeting

Wednesday, November 16th

6:30 P.M.

New Cabell - Room 191

#### BMI Presents: The Election and it’s Black Aftermath

Thursday, November 10, 2016

6:30 P.M.

New Cabell Hall, Room 232



Michelle Obama

First Lady Michelle LaVaughn Robinson Obama is a lawyer, writer, and the wife of the 44th and current President, Barack Obama. She is the first African American First Lady of the United States.

Through her four main initiatives, she has become a role model for women and an advocate for healthy families, service members and their families, higher education, and international adolescent girls' education. In 1996, Mrs. Obama joined the University of Chicago with a vision of bringing campus and community together. As the university's Associate Dean of Student Services, she developed the first community service program. Under her leadership as Vice President of Community and External Affairs for the University of Chicago Medical Center, volunteerism skyrocketed.

**VISIT:**  
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/first-lady-michelle-obama> to learn more.

**Orphée Noir**

In the tradition of Black Newspapers, Orphée Noir, has emerged as a necessary voice of the Black community at UVa and beyond. It is particularly important right now! This periodical is shaped by students to represent their experience in a unique and fitting way. The hope is to capture what it means to be Black on Grounds and to consider this meaning within the larger context of Blackness. Read online at: [www.orpheenoir.com](http://www.orpheenoir.com)

**EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY & IN THE COMMUNITY**

**The Future of Education in Charlottesville**

Monday, November 7, 2016

10:00 am

Newcomb South Meeting Room

UVa Student Council is hosting four local educational leaders for a dialogue on "The Future of Education in Charlottesville" with Pres. Teresa Sullivan (UVa), Pres. Frank Friedman (Piedmont Valley Community College), Supt. Rosa Atkins (Charlottesville City School System), and Supt. Pam Moran (Albemarle County Public Schools). The event will reflect on their vision for their ideal public learning and educational environment in Charlottesville. Audience members can engage directly with the panel in this town hall style discussion.

Please [RSVP at this link](#) to learn more.

**Tips for Studying & Time Management**

Monday, November 7, 2016

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Friday, November 11, 2016

3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

New Cabell 315

It's almost time for final exams; do you want ideas to get yourself on track academically? Come to a 45-minute workshop. It's free and you don't need to register, just drop in. Open to all UVa students. Contact Katie Densberger at [kad7k@virginia.edu](mailto:kad7k@virginia.edu)

**Resume Writing Workshop**

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

2400 Old Ivy Road, Rm 134

In this workshop, you will learn about the important elements of a highly effective resume and cover letter. You will also have the opportunity to work on your resume in a computer lab and receive feedback and suggestions to help you create a current and winning resume. Email [leadership@virginia.edu](mailto:leadership@virginia.edu) to learn more.

**Engineering Science and Tech Office Hours**

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

107 Rice Hall Rice Hall

Information Technology Engineering Building, 85 Engineer's Way

Drop in for information about resumes, cover letters, the job search process and more, specific to the STEM industry. All students interested in STEM careers are encouraged to stop in.

**Feminism in Islam**

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

7:00 am - 8:30 am

Nau 101

The Muslim Student Association (MSA) and Feminism is for Everyone (FSE) will discuss the history and many branches of Islamic feminism.

**UVA Alumni Networking - Government and Public Policy**

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Online (anywhere you have a computer with access to the internet)

Connect with other UVa alumni in your professional area. Share your experiences, exchange career tips and build your professional network. It's online, it's free, it's only an hour, and it's fun! Sponsored by UVa Alumni Career Services.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**NOVEMBER 2016**

Wednesday 23rd - Sunday 27th	Thanksgiving recess
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**DECEMBER 2016**

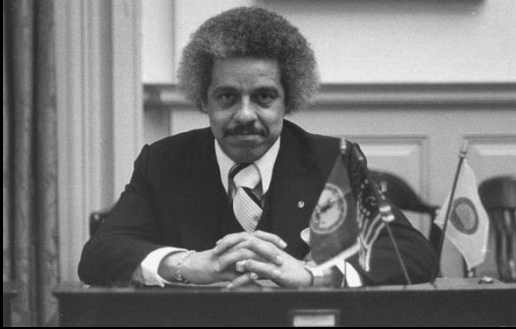
Tuesday 6th	Courses end
Wednesday 7th	Reading Day
Thursday 8th - Friday 16th	Examinations
Sunday 11th - Wednesday 14th	Reading Days
Friday 30th	Fall degrees conferred

**ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES**  
(varies by school)

Wednesday, December 7th	Law
Drop with a W**	

**THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY**  
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7TH TO NOVEMBER 13TH

**November 7, 1989 - Two African-American Firsts in Politics**



In New York, former Manhattan borough president David Dinkins, a Democrat, is elected New York City's first African-American mayor; in Virginia, Lieutenant Governor Douglas Wilder, also a Democrat, becomes the first elected African-American state governor in American history. Although Wilder was the first African-American to be popularly elected to the governor's post, he was not the first African-American to hold that office. That distinction belongs to Pinkney Benton Stewart Pinchback, a Reconstruction-era lieutenant general of Louisiana, who became Louisiana state governor in December 1872. **Visit:** <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/two-african-american-firsts-in-politics> to **learn more.**

**November 8, 1965 - Lawrence Joel earns Medal of Honor**



For his action this day in the Iron Triangle northwest of Saigon, Specialist Five Lawrence Joel, a medic with the 1st Battalion, 503rd Airborne Infantry, and 173rd Airborne Brigade, earns the Medal of Honor. He became the first living African-American since the Spanish-American War to receive the nation's highest award for valor. President Johnson presented the Medal of Honor to Specialist Joel on March 9, 1967, in ceremonies held on the South Lawn of the White House. **Visit:** <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/lawrence-joel-earns-medal-of-honor> to **learn more.**

**Revealing the Concealed: Editors Confront Slavery in George Washington's Diaries**

Thursday, November 10, 2016  
6:00 pm

Jefferson School African American Heritage Center  
233 4th St NW, Charlottesville, VA 22903

Lecture by William Ferraro, Associate Professor, and director of the Washington Papers Project.

**Straighten Up and Fly Right**

Friday, November 11, 2016  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Carver Recreational Center & African American Heritage Center

Come and witness the commemoration of the African-American military experience, featuring military historians and exhibits.

**Curry Research Lecture: Dr. Mark Lipsey - Vanderbilt University**

Friday, November 11, 2016  
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Holloway Hall in Bavaro Hall (Room 116)

Are the expectations for state-funded pre-kindergarten programs realistic? The featured speaker, Mark W. Lipsey, PhD, is a research professor who has published works including textbooks on program evaluation, meta-analysis, and statistical power.

**The 4th Annual Umoja Benefit Ball: The Royal Arena**

Saturday, November 12, 2016

7:00 pm

Newcomb Ballroom

The Umoja Benefit Ball is an annual event sponsored by the Organization of African Students, where students fundraise collectively and campaign for an organization that impacts lives on the African continent. This year's effort will benefit Camfed, an organization that helps marginalized girls in sub-Saharan Africa go to school. [Tickets.](#)

**NAACP at UVa Annual Leadership Lunch**

Sunday, November 13, 2016

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

The Kaleidoscope Room

The NAACP at UVa sponsors a lunch for students to interact with community leaders, professors, administrators, and alums. In this casual environment over a complimentary catered lunch and great conversation, Guests will get to know students and share their tips. [RSVP TODAY!](#)

**100 Black Men of Central Virginia: 2016 Chapter of the Year Award for Leadership**

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

6:00 pm

[Paramount Theater - stay tuned for more details!](#)

**Careers in Community Organizing for Social Justice**

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

6:00 pm

Minor 130

Josh Scott, UVA '12 and community organizer with The Direct Action & Research Training (DART) Center, will be on grounds to discuss careers in community organizing with individuals interested in uniting congregations and working for social, economic and racial justice. RSVP at [www.thedartcenter.org/uva](http://www.thedartcenter.org/uva) to learn more.

**Peace Corps Recruiting Meeting**

Every Friday - Fall Semester

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Room 170 Newcomb Hall

Learn how Peace Corps volunteers work at the grassroots level to create change that lasts long after their service. Make an investment in world-one handshake, one project, and one friendship at a time effort that lead to new possibilities in service.

**Center for Undergraduate Excellence (CUE) Scholarship & Fellowships Series-Fall 2016**

Mondays

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Rotunda Multipurpose Room 121

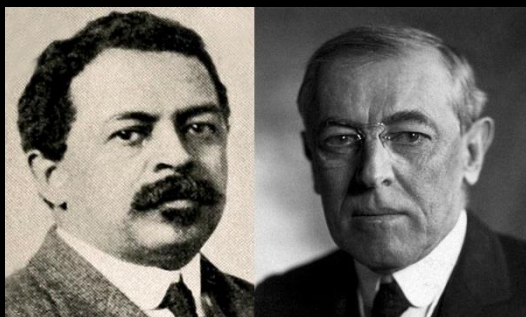
There are scholarship and research awards for students at all stages (undergraduate, graduate, professional) even alumni. It's never too early to start learning about these opportunities!

## November 11, 1831 - Nat Turner executed in Virginia



Turner, a slave and educated minister, believed that he was chosen by God to lead his people out of slavery. With seven followers, Turner traveled across the countryside, hoping to rally hundreds of slaves to join his insurrection. Only a few miles from Jerusalem (VA), Turner and all of his followers were dispersed, captured, or killed. Turner himself was not captured until the end of October, 1831. He was tried, convicted, and sentenced to death. On November 11, he was hanged. **Visit:** <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/nat-turner-executed-in-virginia> to learn more.

## November 12, 1914 - Civil Rights Leader Monroe Trotter confronts President Wilson in White House over Segregation



President Woodrow Wilson imposed racial segregation in federal agencies on April 11, 1913, shortly after becoming president. Civil rights groups met with him at the White House later in 1913 to protest this action. In another meeting on this day, Boston activist Monroe Trotter engaged in an angry confrontation with Wilson and was asked to leave the White House. Wilson had a very poor record on race relations, despite the urging of many prominent people to re-consider his position.

**Visit:** <http://todayinclh.com/?event=civil-rights-leader-monroe-trotter-confronts-president-wilson-in-white-house-over-segregation> to learn more.

## OPPORTUNITIES WITH DEADLINES

### Featured Opportunity: The Grey-Carrington Scholarship Application Deadline: Friday, November 18, 2016, 11:59 PM

The Gray-Carrington Committee seeks nominations from the University community for one of the highest honors that an undergraduate student can receive. The scholarship, which covers tuition, fees, and rent for one year. It is awarded to a student entering his or her year of graduation who displays those characteristics exemplified by Arthur "Pete" Gray, IV and Edward Carrington, Jr. during their time at the University — namely, personal integrity, achievement, leadership, and humility. If you know of a student who meets these criteria, please consider writing a letter of recommendation on their behalf. The letter can be submitted by emailing an electronic copy to [graycarrington2017@gmail.com](mailto:graycarrington2017@gmail.com), or by delivering a hard copy to 9 West Range by the deadline.

### White House Fellows Program

Founded in 1964, the President's Commission on White House Fellowships is the nation's premiere program for leadership and public service. The fellowship offers exceptional Americans first-hand experience working at the highest levels of the Federal government. Selected individuals spend a year in Washington, D.C, working as a full-time, paid Fellow to Cabinet Secretaries, senior White House staff, and other top-ranking government officials. Fellows also participate in an education program consisting of roundtable discussions with renowned leaders from the private and public sectors.

**Visit:** <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/fellows> to learn more.

### 2016 Paige Pre-Medical Scholarship Application

**Deadline: Sunday, November 13, 2016**

The Paige Pre-Medical Fund Scholarship is designed to help pre-med students defray the high cost of applying to medical school. The applicant must be a fourth-year African-American student at the University of Virginia who has taken all the pre-medical requirements and the MCAT. He or she must be planning to enter medical school immediately after graduating. Please direct any questions or additional attachments to Travis Robertson, [trobertson@virginia.edu](mailto:trobertson@virginia.edu).

**Visit:** <http://aig.alumni.virginia.edu/ridley/2016/10/03/2016-paige-pre-medical-scholarship-application/> to learn more.

### Register for J-Term Classes

**Monday, November 14, 2016 & Tuesday, November 15, 2016**

Third- and fourth-year students may register for January Term beginning on Nov. 14 at 7:00 a.m. All other students may begin registration on Nov. 15 at 7:00 a.m. Registration will be completed through the Student Information System (SIS). Tuition and fees are due by Dec. 31, 2016.

**Visit:** <http://januaryterm.virginia.edu/register> to learn more or email [akw6es@virginia.edu](mailto:akw6es@virginia.edu).

### IIE UPS Scholarship for Minority Students

**Deadline: Tuesday, November 15, 2016**

3577 Parkway Lane, Suite 200 Norcross, GA 30092-2833

IIE's scholarship and fellowship program recognizes graduate and undergraduate industrial engineering students for academic excellence and campus leadership. The UPS Scholarship is available to students enrolled in any school in the United States and its territories, Canada, and Mexico. The school's industrial engineering program or equivalent must be accredited by an agency or organization recognized by IIE.

**Visit:** <http://www.iienet2.org/Details.aspx?id=857> to learn more.

### The Generation Google Scholarship

**Deadline: Thursday, December 1, 2016, 11:59 pm**

Google's education and scholarship programs aim to help students become future leaders in computing and technology by breaking down the barriers that prevent them from entering these fields. Selected students will receive \$10,000 USD (for those studying in the US) or \$5,000 CAD (for those studying in Canada) for the 2017-2018 school year. Current undergraduate or graduate students will be invited to attend the Google Scholars' Retreat in the summer of 2017.

**Visit:** <https://www.google.com/edu/scholarships/the-generation-google-scholarship/> to learn more.

### AERA Undergraduate Student Education Research Training Workshop

**Thursday, April 27 - Saturday, April 29, 2017**

**Application Deadline: Thursday, December 1, 2016**

The American Educational Research Association (AERA) invites fellowship applications for an Undergraduate Student Education Research Training Workshop to be held Thursday, April 27 - Saturday, April 29, 2017 during the 2017 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. This workshop is designed to build the talent pool of undergraduate students who plan to pursue doctorate degrees in education research or in disciplines and fields that examine education issues. Applicants are sought who have potential and interest in pursuing careers as education researchers, faculty members, or other professionals who contribute to the research field. Direct all questions to George L. Wimberly, Director of Professional Development, at 202-238-3200 or [fellowships@aera.net](mailto:fellowships@aera.net).

**Visit:** <http://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Undergraduate-Student-Education-Research-Training> to learn more.



**November 13, 1951 - First African-American Dancer appears with the Metropolitan Opera Company**



In 1951, Janet Collins won the Donaldson Award for best dancer on Broadway for her work in Cole Porter's *Out of This World*. She also performed in *Aida*, *Carmen*, and was the first Black ballerina to dance at the Metropolitan Opera in New York City. She could not tour with the troupe in parts of the Deep South, because of her race. In later life, Collins taught modern dance at George Balanchine's School of American Ballet in New York City, and at the Manhattan Ville College in Purchase, New York. Janet Collins struggled repeatedly against racism and paved the way for many classical and modern ballerinas who perform today. **Visit:** <http://www.nytimes.com/2003/05/31/arts/janet-collins-86-ballerina-was-first-black-artist-at-met-opera.html> to learn more.

**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](mailto:gwm5xe@virginia.edu) to learn more.

**Sophomore (Second Year) Diversity Leaders Internship**

Our Sophomore Diversity Leaders Internship program (SDLI) provides a highly select group of Black/African American and/or Hispanic/Latino undergraduate students' first-hand experience with consulting at McKinsey & Company. Candidates who are currently college sophomores at U.S. universities are eligible to apply.

**Visit:** <http://www.mckinsey.com/careers/students/sophomore-diversity-leaders-internship> to learn more.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Black Sci-Fi Collective: Who More Sci-Fi Than Us?**

Eight to ten students of color who are interested in Black sci-fi, Afrofuturism, or race and technology, are wanted to work; those who have an interest in the performing, literacy, and/or visual arts should contact Njelle Hamilton ([nwhof@virginia.edu](mailto:nwhof@virginia.edu))

**UNLEASH - on Grounds**

Wondering how to get involved with research on Grounds? UNLEASH is a program that matches UVa undergraduate students with research opportunities sponsored by UVa faculty, hence the title: Undergraduate Novel Learning Experience and Scientific Hands-on or UNLEASH.

**Visit:** <https://med.virginia.edu/faculty/unleash-undergraduate-research-program/> to learn more.

**Jefferson School African American Heritage Center Docents needed - in downtown C'ville**

The Heritage Center seeks volunteers to lead group tours of the Jefferson School. Volunteer docents will teach visitors, youth and adults about the Jefferson School, its place in history, and its role in the Charlottesville community today. Anyone with a love of learning is encouraged to apply. If interested, [please click here to fill out an application form](#). If you have questions, please contact Ellen Blackmon or

**Visit:** [education@jeffschoolheritagecenter.org](mailto:education@jeffschoolheritagecenter.org) to learn more.