Oppressive language does more than represent violence; it is violence; does more than represent the limits of knowledge; it limits knowledge.

-- Toni Morrison

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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) 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!
**QUOTE’S CORNER:** Toni Morrison

Toni Morrison (born Chloe Ardelia Wofford February 18, 1931) is an American novelist, editor, and Professor Emeritus at Princeton University. Morrison won the Pulitzer Prize and the American Book Award in 1988 for *Beloved*, which was adapted into a film of the same name (starring Oprah Winfrey and Danny Glover) in 1998. Morrison was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1993. In 1996, the National Endowment for the Humanities selected her for the Jefferson Lecture, the nation’s highest honor for achievement in the humanities. Morrison was also commissioned to write the libretto for a new opera, *Margaret Garner*, first performed in 2005.


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### OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

**Kuungana Networking Night: Connecting Diversity to Opportunity**

**Wednesday, October 26th**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

President’s Box - Bryant Hall at Scott Stadium

Join Project RISE, The OAAA Black Leadership Institute, and the UVA Career Center for an evening of networking and career conversations. Students can connect with a variety of companies and industries. Light refreshments will be served. Professional business attire recommended.

**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

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### EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY & IN THE COMMUNITY

**Passport Drive**

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Global Grounds at Hotel A, One West Range

Join us at the UVA Global Passport Drive for students, faculty and staff! Officials from the U.S. Department of State will be on grounds to accept passport and renewal applications and to answer questions. You can get passport photos taken at the event for $7. Visit: https://globalweekatuva.wordpress.com/passportdrive/ to learn more

**Panel Discussion and Book Signing: The Fire This Time**

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Nau 101

*The Fire This Time: A New Generation Speaks about Race,* edited by National Book Award winner Jesmyn Ward, is a groundbreaking collection of essays and a poem that builds upon James Baldwin's *The Fire Next Time,* a pioneering examination of race in America published in 1963. Contributors Emily Raboteau and Garnette Cadogan will engage in a conversation moderated by Maurice Wallace (UVA Dept. of English). Books will be available for purchase and signing at the event.

**Free Fall Legal Clinic**

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Women's Center

The Clinic is staffed by local attorneys who offer pro bono legal counseling to Charlottesville community members and University employees. The Clinic is designed to provide general legal counseling and information about legal options. For more information and/or to schedule a half-hour appointment, please call (434) 982-2551, or email Sarah Steele.

**2016 Fall Job & Internship Fair**

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

Thursday, October 27, 2016

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Newcomb Hall

Recruiters from over 100 corporations, non-profit organizations, and government agencies will come to U.Va. to meet students from all majors seeking full-time employment or internship experience. You don’t want to miss this opportunity to meet employers in person, learn about different organizations and positions, and talk with them about your experiences!

**Painting Change: The Relevance of Art & the Museum in the 21st Century**

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Lawn Room 38 East

Why should we care about art today? How can we use art traditionally as a symbol of elite power and wealth, in nontraditional modes in order to spur sociopolitical change? Is there a way we can modernize our production, exhibition, and reception of art to allow it to better fit our society? Come learn, look at pretty paintings and chat about activism and the arts!
Rosa Parks, named “The Mother of the Modern-Day Civil Rights Movement,” was an African-American woman born in Tuskegee, Alabama in 1913. She is most well known for her stand against racial segregation on public buses in Montgomery, Alabama. Rosa refused to give up her seat for a white man and was arrested, charged with, and convicted of civil disobedience. She spent most of her life fighting for desegregation, voting rights, and was active in the Civil Rights movement that has shaped social code in the United States. I


desegregation, voting rights, and was active in the Civil Rights Movement in two five-mile car races in Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn. In July 1910, Jeffries came out of retirement to fight Johnson, but lost in 15 rounds. (Twenty-six people were killed and hundreds were injured in the nationwide riots that followed the Black fighter’s victory.) After that, Johnson was unable to find anyone who would fight him, so he began car racing. In October 1910, he challenged Oldfield to a race. Visit: http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/barney-oldfield-defeats-boxer-jack-johnson-in-brooklyn-auto-race to learn more.


Learn about the African-American Teaching Fellows, who have an opportunity to receive up to $5,000 of annual tuition, and participate through the AATF Teacher-Leader Institute and several professional development activities. Meet Program Director and Curry Alum Jamie-Duke Hawkins with AATF Fellows and alumni to discuss the program. To register please visit: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAipQLSCLthZ1aXYxRWx040YraEMup9ZTNYVw0DzLHyAAjW4grq/viewform?c=0&w=1


Center for Global Health Scholar Award Open House
Thursday, October 27, 2016
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
CGH Corner Building @ 1400 West Main Street, next to OpenGrounds
Interested in conducting interdisciplinary research in a global context? The CGH University Scholar Award provides up to $15,000 to support interdisciplinary research projects. We invite you to hear about research and service projects conducted in Rwanda, South Africa, Guatemala, Nicaragua and India. Call 434.962.0976 for individual meetings.


Black Angels over Tuskegee
Thursday, October 27, 2016
7:00 pm
Paramount Theatre, Charlottesville Downtown Mall
For more information, visit www.theparamount.net to learn about this special film screening.


UVA Library: Your Passport to Global Experiences
Friday, October 28, 2016
11:00 am - 1:30 pm
Harrison-Small Auditorium, Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library
Find out the many ways that the UVA Library supports global initiatives. Come view Google Cardboard and Oculus Rift demonstrations, 3D printed artifacts along with presentations about the Scholar’s Lab, the Open Greek and Latin Projects, Clemons Library’s foreign film collection ... and more! Listen to live music from around the world and enjoy food from Afghan Kabob Palace! The first 50 people who visit every station will receive a CaveAdvantage gift card!


Abolitionist’ Museum: A Play by Sheri Bailey
Friday, October 28, 2016
7:00 pm
City Council Chamber, 605 E Main St
Saturday, October 29, 2016
3:00 pm
The Haven, 112 Market St
Sunday, October 30, 2016
3:00 pm
Ebenezer Baptist Church, 113 South St NW
Explore our shared history and have fun doing it! A moderated discussion with the audience follows the play. This is FREE to students and the public. RSVP Required, email abolitionistmuseum@yahoo.com or call 434-202-4281


Curry School of Education presents the 2016-2017 Walter N. Ridley Lecture – Reservations Recommended!
Wednesday, November 2, 2016
4:00 pm
Alumni Hall
John B. King Jr., U.S. Secretary of Education, will be the Curry School of Education’s Walter N. Ridley Distinguished Speaker for 2016-2017. This is a unique opportunity for the University community to welcome and hear a sitting Secretary’s lecture. For more information about the event and Walter N. Ridley, please visit: http://curry.virginia.edu/about/diversity-at-curry/ridley


Greens Cook Off III Featuring a New Category: Mac-N-Cheese
Saturday, November 5, 2016
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
African American Heritage Center, 233 4th SW, Charlottesville, VA, 22903
A Greens and Mac-n-Cheese Champion will be crowned. Applications in both categories still being accepted.
October 27, 1960 - Martin Luther King released from Reidsville, Georgia prison

Martin Luther King was released from the Reidsville, Georgia prison on this day. He had been arrested for a civil rights demonstration in Georgia, and then sentenced to prison because of an earlier case. Word reached Democratic Party presidential candidate John F. Kennedy, who then called King’s wife, Coretta Scott King, on October 26, 1963. Kennedy expressed his sympathy for her husband’s imprisonment but promised no further legal action intervention. However, U.S. Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy (JFK’s brother) called both the Governor of Georgia and the judge in the case; it is believed this led to King’s immediate release. Visit: http://todayinchn.com/?event=martin-luther-king-released-from-reidsville-georgia-prison to learn more.

October 30, 1974 - Muhammad Ali wins the ‘Rumble in the Jungle’

Thirty-two-year-old Muhammad Ali becomes the heavyweight champion of the world for the second time, when he knocks out 25-year-old champ George Foreman in the eight round of the “Rumble in the Jungle,” a match held in Kinshasa, Zaire. Seven years before, Ali had lost his title when the government accused him of draft-dodging and the U.S. Boxing Commission took away his license. His victory in Zaire made him only the second dethroned champ in history to regain his belt. Visit: http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/muhammad-ali-wins-the-rumble-in-the-jungle to learn more.

Tips for Studying & Time Management
Monday, November 7, 2016 & 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? 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 Kate Densberger at kad7k@virginia.edu

Straighten Up and Fly Right
Friday, November 11, 2016
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Carver Recreational Center & African American Heritage Center, 233 4th SW, Charlottesville, VA, 22903
Come and witness the commemoration of the African American Military Experience, featuring military historians and exhibits.

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-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!

OPPORTUNITIES WITH DEADLINES

Be a Days on the Lawn Team Leader!
Applications due: Monday, October 24, 2016, 11:59 am
Days on the Lawn Team Leaders help to plan and organize UVA’s Accepted Student Days. If you love UVA and want to share your experiences with accepted future Hoos, this is the job for you. You will have the opportunity to work in the Office of Admissions and a team of motivated students to plan exciting programs and lead volunteers. The position is open to all undergraduate students. The application can be found here. For more information, e-mail Michael Horth at mjh2yx@virginia.edu.

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.

Research Travel Grants
Applications Due: Tuesday, November 1, 2016
This grant is available for undergraduate students in the College, who are conducting research or pursuing artistic activities—with awards of up to $1,500. Students presenting our own research at professional conferences can also use these funds to defray registration and travel costs. These grants are awarded three times each year. For eligibility information and an application. Visit: http://college.as.virginia.edu/research_travel_grants 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. 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.
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](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](https://www.google.com/edu/scholarships/the-generation-google-scholarship) to learn more.

AERA Undergraduate Student Education Research Training Workshop  
**April 27 – 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. Visit [http://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Undergraduate-Student-Education-Research-Training](http://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Undergraduate-Student-Education-Research-Training) 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 (nwh92@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](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](http://www.mckinsey.com/careers/students/sophomore-leaders-internship). If you have questions, please contact Ellen Blackmon or visit: [education@jeffschoolheritagecenter.org](mailto:education@jeffschoolheritagecenter.org) to learn more.