



# 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, APRIL 3, 2017

OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*“There are times in life when, instead of complaining, you do something about your complaints.”*

- Rita Dove

## SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

### 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR DESTINATIONS



Briana Morgan Williams is from Houston, Texas, and majoring in nanomedicine. After graduation, she will take a gap year to do public health work in Guatemala. Best wishes!



Government major Danaite Soquar is from Springfield, VA, and this summer will go to Washington DC to work for Delotte Consulting. Congratulations!

### 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** – Biology (peer)

**Thursday** – Open

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

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



Join us this Friday, April 3rd @

**Black Alumni Weekend!**

12:00 pm – Student Panel

1:30 pm – Reception

Newcomb Theatre & Lobby

**BLACK FRIDAY returns April 14<sup>th</sup>**

### March Madness!

LPJ Student Funding Committee March Madness

Monday, April 3rd LPJ is open until 8:00 pm

**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 college basketball teams, as they compete for the national title.

## EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY & IN THE COMMUNITY

### Project Rise Presents: Black Minds Matter

Tuesday, April 4th

4:30 pm

CHEM 304

Join Project Rise for an open discussion on the stigma surrounding mental health in the Black community, led by Dr. Heather Warren, Dr. Derick J. Williams and, Dr. Noelle Hurd. Light refreshments will be provided!

### Apply to live on the Range – Information Sessions

Tuesday, April 4th (4 East Range) 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Friday, April 7th (11 West Range) 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Wednesday, April 12th (7 West Range) 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

The Range Community is the representative body for all graduate students who live on the Range in the historic Academical Village at UVA. The graduate students living on the Range are as diverse as the subjects they study, and they represent some of the University's most talented graduate students. To learn more, visit our website at <http://www.student.virginia.edu/range/> or join us for an open house

For the rest of the semester, graduating students will be featured in the Spotlight on Student Achievements. Please send your destination information to Deanna Carter <https://goo.gl/forms/yKdDCKTMCslsWUMw1> by Thursday at 12 noon for an upcoming OAAA E-Weekly edition.

## QUOTE'S CORNER: Rita Dove



Rita Dove

Rita Dove is an internationally acclaimed African-American poet and author, whose work is known for its lyricism, beauty and sense of history. Her latest book, *Collected Poems 1974-2004*, was released in May 2016, and was selected as a finalist for the National Book Award, and winner of the NAACP Image Award in Poetry. Dove is also the Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia. Visit <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems-and-poets/poets/detail/rita-dove> to learn more about her.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### APRIL 2017

Friday 7th – Sunday 9th

Black Alumni Weekend

### MAY 2017

Tuesday 2nd

Courses end

Wednesday 3rd, Sunday 7th & Wednesday 10th

Reading Days

Friday 19th @ 6:00 pm

Donning of the Kente Ceremony  
Old Cabell Hall

Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st

Final Exercises

### ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWL DEADLINES

(varies by school)

Friday, April 28th – Drop with a W\*\*

Law

### Impact & Sustainability Career Fair

Wednesday, April 5th

12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Newcomb Hall

Connect with recruiters with jobs and internships in Environmental Science, Policy, Sustainability and more! Casual Attire. A career fair is an excellent opportunity for all UVA students to practice networking, discover internships, and explore potential career paths. The UVA Career Center is available to prepare students for the fair through career preparation programs, individual appointments, and during general office hours from 12:00pm – 5:00pm in Newcomb 170. [https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/career\\_fairs/1663/student\\_preview](https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/career_fairs/1663/student_preview)

### Identity, Diversity and Your Career – Workshop and Networking Dinner

Wednesday, April 5th

5:00 pm (registration & food)

5:15 pm (keynote & panel)

Bryant Hall at Scott Stadium

As part of the University's Diversity Week, join Multicultural Student Services, Student Council, and the Career Center for an alumni panel and round table conversations on the importance of your identity and unique experiences in contributing to a diverse workplace. Participants will have the opportunity to attend a networking reception with 20+ employers including Accenture, McKinsey & Company, the CIA, Teach for America, Capital One and more. Free parking! Business Casual dress. Registration Link: <https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/events/46358>

### J.P. Morgan Campus Ambassador Networking Event

Wednesday, April 5th

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Location to be sent to confirmed attendees

Please register in advance here: <http://tinyurl.com/jla6uccd> All events are open to UVA students in their first or second year from all majors (min. 3.2 g.p.a. required). Learn about 2018 summer internships in asset management and corporate & investment banking.

### J.P. Morgan Women's Luncheon

Thursday, April 6th

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

Location to be sent to confirmed attendees

Please register in advance here: <http://tinyurl.com/gn87wl4>

### J.P. Morgan Come and Go Office Hours

Thursday, April 6th

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Location to be sent to confirmed attendees

Please register in advance here: <http://tinyurl.com/hp2qmm7>

### J.P. Morgan Launching Leaders Networking Event

Thursday, April 6th

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Location to be sent to confirmed attendees UVA

Please register in advance here: <http://tinyurl.com/gqb64lr>

### 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!

### Day Soirée – Remembering Vinegar Hill – The Neighborhood Beneath the Pavement

Saturday, April 8th

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

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

Join the community for music, food, games, and a City Center open house honoring the Vinegar Hill neighborhood. Free admission - all are welcome.

### Girl Up Spring Fundraising Event

Tuesday, April 11th

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

1515 Studio on the Corner

Join a UN Foundation campaign that advocates awareness and funds for programs for adolescent girls in developing countries on education, health, and a life free from violence. The Spring fundraising event is the *Girl Up Spelling Bee* where professors will participate and help raise funds for the National Spelling Bee in Uganda. Come and have ice cream and other sweets as you watch your professors compete for a prize! To learn more, contact projects and fundraising co-chairs Melissa Friedhoff [maf5nd@virginia.edu](mailto:maf5nd@virginia.edu) and Maliha Jahangiri [mj3zm@virginia.edu](mailto:mj3zm@virginia.edu) (404-834-4015) Registration for both professors and students is donation only (venmo: @UVAGirlUp).

### Tom-Tom Founders Summit

Thursday, April 13th - Saturday, April 15th (locations & times vary)

The Tom-Tom Founders Summit convenes today's most successful trailblazers. They share their founding stories and offer insight into what it takes to build successful companies & to create global impact. Attend networking opportunities with the nation's top innovators and influencers. This year's confirmed speakers include Dave McClure (500 Startups), Kim Jordan (New Belgium Brewing), Laura Weidman Powers (CODE 2040). Student tickets are \$29; groups of 10 or more are eligible for a special discount rate. For questions, email [student@tomtomfest.com](mailto:student@tomtomfest.com).

**THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY**  
**WEEK OF APRIL 3RD – 9TH**



April 4 – On this date, Nobel Peace Prize laureate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was assassinated at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, TN, at the age of 39. A Baptist minister and founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), King led the US

Civil Rights Movement from the mid-1950s until his death, using a combination of powerful words and non-violent tactics. Sit-ins, boycotts and protest marches (including the massive March on Washington in 1963) were some of the tools used to fight segregation and achieve significant civil and voting rights advances for African-Americans. On April 4, 1968, King was rushed to St. Joseph's Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. James Earl Ray, a fugitive from the Missouri State Penitentiary, was arrested on June 8, 1968, in London at Heathrow Airport, extradited to the United States, and charged with the crime. On March 10, 1969, Ray entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to 99 years in the Tennessee State Penitentiary. Ray later made many attempts to withdraw his guilty plea and be tried by a jury, but was unsuccessful; he died in prison.

**For more information:**  
[http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel\\_prizes/peace/laureates/1964/king-bio.html](http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/peace/laureates/1964/king-bio.html)

Booker T. Washington was born on April 5, 1856 in Hale's Ford, Virginia. He was an African-American educator, author, orator, and advisor to Presidents of the United States. Between 1890 and 1915, Washington was a dominant leader in the African-American



community, as one of the last generation of Black leaders born into slavery. He became a key voice of former slaves and their descendants, who were oppressed by disfranchisement and the Jim Crow discriminatory laws enacted in the post-Reconstruction era. Tuskegee Institute (now University), a historically black college in Alabama, was his base of operations where he raised money, strategized, and networked to execute plans for uplifting African-Americans. Other notable leaders of the times, such as WEB DuBois and Marcus Garvey, disagreed with many of Washington's tactics, which led to debates within Black communities as to how to achieve racial, political and social equality. He is buried near the University Chapel at Tuskegee. <http://www.biography.com/people/booker-t-washington-9524663> to learn more.

**Fences: Theater 101-August Wilson and More – A Four Week Series**

Saturday, April 15th @ 11:00 am - Saturday, May 6th @ 1:00 pm

Jefferson School African American Heritage Center, 233 4th Street Northwest, Charlottesville, VA

There are four theater classes for youth and adults, taught by members of the Fences cast. Producer Leslie Scott-Jones and director Clinton Johnston will also introduce the class to playwright August Wilson's work, black theater, play analysis and play writing. For details see: <http://jeffschoolheritagecenter.org/>

**Africa Day 2017 : The African Diaspora**

Saturday, April 22nd – various sites

Join the Organization of African Students (OAS) for a cultural experience filled with fashion, dance, food, art and so much more!

**OPPORTUNITIES WITH DEADLINES**

**Larry Simpson Internship Scholarship**

Application Deadline: Monday, April 3rd at 12:00 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. For more information, visit: <https://career.virginia.edu/internships/funding/simpson/application>

**Oliver Hill Scholarship and Writing Competition**

Deadline: Friday, April 7th at 5:00 PM

Each year, Virginia Law's Black Law Students Association holds the Oliver Hill Scholarship and Writing Competition for undergraduate students in the Commonwealth. Contact [service@uvblsa.org](mailto:service@uvblsa.org) for application details and questions.

**JP Morgan Sophomore Development Fellowship**

Apply by Sunday, April 9th

This three-month program (June – August 2017 | Chicago and New York City) is designed to expand your knowledge of [JPMorgan Chase](http://jpmorganchase.com) and sharpen your professional and technical skillsets.

**Smithsonian Institution Undergraduate Conservation Internships for Summer 2017**

Application Deadline: Tuesday, April 14th at 12:00 pm (all materials including letters of reference)

The Smithsonian Institution is pleased to announce conservation internship opportunities for the Summer 2017 10-week session June 5 – August 11. This internship program will provide an introduction to museum conservation. This program is offered to students to increase participation of groups who are currently underrepresented in the museum field and visual arts organizations are especially encouraged to apply. Applicants must register and submit an online application via the [Smithsonian Online Academic Appointment system \(SOLAA\)](http://smithsonian.edu/academic-appointment-system).

**The Richards Center Emerging Scholars Summer Mentoring Program**

Deadline Extended: Wednesday, April 15th

The Summer Mentoring Program exposes rising third and fourth years to doctoral study in the discipline of history. During a free, one-week summer residential program (June 25-June 30, 2017), Penn. State University faculty and staff demystify the graduate school admissions process and educate participants about the academic profession. Travel, housing, and course materials are provided by the university. Penn State's Richards Center, the Dept. of History, and the Dept. of African-American Studies sponsor this program to attract and enroll students from underrepresented populations. For more information, visit: <http://richardscenter.la.psu.edu/programs/undergraduate-mentoring-program>

**Top 2017 African-American, Minority and Diversity Summer Internship Programs**

Many companies and organizations are already announcing acceptance of applications for their upcoming internship programs. Go to: <http://www.blacknews.com/news/top-2017-african-american-minority-and-diversity-summer-internship-programs/#.WNJzfm8rKUJ> to find more information about these intern positions.

**The UVA Office of Global Internships Information Sessions**

The office is now accepting applications for internship opportunities for summer 2017 on Handshake. Positions are available in a diversity of fields. 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>

**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))