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**1. Institute Conference: “Enriching Racial/Ethnic Studies: Health, Education, and Cultural Knowledge”**  
Thursday-Friday, April 6-7, 2006—UW-Milwaukee, Union

Be sure to join us! This interdisciplinary conference will be a great opportunity to “network” with individuals from throughout the UW System. We have accepted 60 presentation proposals from faculty and staff at every UW System four-year campus and several UW College campuses. You will be able to attend sessions on current research, curricular developments, pedagogical practices, reading seminars, and innovative campus practices. Also offered will be scholarly caucuses on specific groups: African-American Studies, Latina/o Studies, American Indian Studies, and Asian-American Studies.

Co-sponsors include the UWM Center for Urban Initiatives and Research, UWM Department of Africology, UWM Roberto Hernandez Center, UWM School of Education, and the UWM Vice Chancellor’s Office for Partnerships and Innovation.

Featured Speakers:

- *Bevan Baker*, Commissioner, Health Department, City of Milwaukee
- *Nilda Flores-Gonzalez*, Associate Professor of Sociology and Latina/o Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago
- *David Williams*, Harold Cruse Professor of Sociology and Professor of Epidemiology  
Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan

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or call (414) 229-4700 for more information

**2. Institute “Call For Proposals: Support Grants for Racial and Ethnic Studies” for FY 2006-07**

Our “Call For Proposals” has been sent in “hard copy” to those on our mailing list, and you can access it on our website. (See: [www.uwm.edu/Dept/IRE/grant](http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/IRE/grant)). This call is for proposals that will be implemented from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007. The *firm* postmark due date is **Monday, April 10, 2006**. Four grant categories are available:

- Category “A” (Research): \$5000.00 maximum request
- Category “B” (Curriculum Development): \$5000.00 maximum request
- Category “C” (Campus Activities): \$2000 maximum request
- Faculty Diversity Research Awards (formerly the Minority Faculty Research Awards):  
(Includes a semester release from teaching and \$2000 in research support. See website for eligibility.)

**3. Conference: African Diaspora Studies and the Disciplines”**  
Thursday-Saturday, March 23-26, 2006—UW-Madison

This interdisciplinary symposium will focus on the question of African diaspora scholarship and its practice within the possibilities and constraints offered and imposed by the disciplines.

For further information, see [www.africa.wisc.edu/diaspora](http://www.africa.wisc.edu/diaspora) and/or contact Toni Pressley-Sanon in the UW-Madison Department of African Languages and Literature at: [tonisanon@aol.com](mailto:tonisanon@aol.com) or (608) 265-9151.

**4. Programs of the UW System Women’s Studies Consortium**

Two events are on the horizon. The “UW System Outstanding Women of Color in Education—Ceremony and Luncheon” is scheduled for Saturday, March 4, 2006, at UW-Eau Claire. For more information, see: [www.uwsa.edu/acadaff/womens](http://www.uwsa.edu/acadaff/womens) or send an e-mail to: [wcsoffice@uwsa.edu](mailto:wcsoffice@uwsa.edu) **Congratulations** to the 2006 honorees: Rose Marie Galindo, UW Colleges; Barbara Blackdeer-MacKenzie, UW-Eau Claire; Lucy Holifield, UW-Extension; Celestine Jeffreys, UW-Green Bay; Kara Lindaman, UW-La Crosse; Gloria Ladson-Billings, UW-Madison; Alice Jackson, UW-Milwaukee; Barbara Miller, UW-Oshkosh; Consuelo Clemens, UW-Parkside; Patricia A. Foster, UW-Platteville; Somorae Smith, UW-River Falls; Elia J. Armacanqui-Tipacti, UW-Stevens Point; Ilse Hartung, UW-Stout; Stephanie Williams, UW-Superior; Vicki C. Washington, UW System; and Han Ngo, UW-Whitewater.

Also, the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Women’s Studies Conference, “*Warrior, Mythic, and Everyday Women: Women’s Ways of Leading.*” To be held in Black River Falls on Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, 2006, it will convene academics, teachers, students, community leaders, and activists. See: [www.uwsa.edu/acadaff/womens/events/confer/annualconf.htm](http://www.uwsa.edu/acadaff/womens/events/confer/annualconf.htm)

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## 5. Programs of the UW System Office of Professional and Instructional Development (OPID)

OPID has a number of events, conferences, and grant opportunities coming up in the near future:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Faculty Developers Meeting (Friday, February 24, 2006, at UW-Whitewater):  
Each campus is being asked to send 2-4 individuals to discuss resources and support for the enhancement of faculty development and leadership services across the UW System. The registration deadline is February 10, 2006.
- 2006 Teaching Award Call for Nominations:
  - Four Alliant Energy Underkolfer Excellence in Teaching Awards of \$3500 each. Nominations are due by February 21, 2006.
  - Two Regents Teaching Excellence Awards of \$5000 each, and one \$5000 award given to an academic department. Nominations are due by March 17, 2006.
- Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Program: Proposals are being requested for the UW System initiative on the "Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL)". These projects may be either "institutional" (\$30,000 maximum) or "inter-institutional" (\$40,000 maximum). Due date is March 1, 2006.
- Fall 2006 Call for "Conference Development Grant" Proposals:  
These are typically workshops, presentations, or mini-conferences that promote cooperation and exchange among UW System faculty on teaching-related subjects. Maximum award of \$1000. Due date is March 10, 2006.
- Colloquium—"The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning: Evidence, Impact and Momentum"  
(Wednesday-Thursday, April 1-2, 2006, at Madison Concourse Hotel)

For more specific information on all of OPID's events and grant opportunities listed above, see: [www.uwsa.edu/opid](http://www.uwsa.edu/opid) or contact Lisa Kornetsky at: [lkornetsky@uwsa.edu](mailto:lkornetsky@uwsa.edu) or (608) 263-2722.

## 6. News on the Institute's Graduate Scholars-in-Residence

These individuals are all doctoral students and dissertators at either UW-Madison or UW-Milwaukee who are focusing their research on racial/ethnic topics. They receive office space and research support from the UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity for one year.

- The four individuals will be presenting on their research and the Institute's program at our upcoming conference, "*Enriching Racial/Ethnic Studies: Health, Education and Cultural Knowledge.*" Their session is scheduled for Friday, April 7, from 10:30-11:45 a.m.
- **Andrea Voyer**, Department of Sociology, UW-Madison, has been asked to teach a spring 2006 course on racial and ethnic groups in the Department of Sociology at UW-Milwaukee
- **Donte McFadden**, Department of English, UW-Milwaukee, recently received the Hoyt Fuller/George Kent/Darwin Turner/Addison Gayle Award for Literary Criticism at the Gwendolyn Brooks Conference for Black Literature and Creative Writing held at Chicago State University.
- **Rhea Lathan**, Department of English, UW-Madison, and **Solsiree del Moral**, Department of History, UW-Madison, have both been busy attending professional conferences nationwide and interviewing for assistant professor positions in the academy. Lathan has been interviewed by the Department of English at UW-Milwaukee. Also, Rhea will be moderating a panel on Feb. 22 at 12 noon in the UWM Union, Room E240, entitled "Black Ph. D. Students in the U.S.: Panel on Graduate Education and Dissertations."

## 7. "Life Impact Program" at UW-Milwaukee

This innovative program has begun in the Department of Financial Aid at UW-Milwaukee under a grant from the Jane Bradley Pettit Foundation. It is designed to assist low-income *parents* in their efforts to attain a higher education by providing them with a \$5000 scholarship, as well as academic, professional, and professional support through a "Life Coach" process. More information? Contact Natalie Reinbold at: [natrein@uwm.edu](mailto:natrein@uwm.edu) or (414) 229-4431.

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## 8. Recent Faculty Publications

- Floyd D. Beachum, Department of Administrative Leadership, and Festus E. Obiakor, Department of Exceptional Education, UW-Milwaukee, "*Urban Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Research, Issues, and Perspectives*" (Charles C. Thomas Publisher: Springfield, IL)
- Carrie Yang Costello, Department of Sociology, UW-Milwaukee, "*Professional Identity Crisis: Race, Class, Gender and Success at Professional Schools*" (Vanderbilt University Press: Nashville, TN)
- Amanda Seligman, Department of History, UW-Milwaukee, "*Block by Block: Neighborhoods and Public Policy on Chicago's West Side*" (University of Chicago Press: Chicago, IL)
- Frank H. Wilson, Department of Sociology, UW-Milwaukee, "*Race, Class, and the Postindustrial City: William Julius Wilson and the Promise of Sociology*" (State University of New York Press: Albany, NY)
- Finally, kudos to Michael Bonds of the Department of Educational Policy and Community Studies at UW-Milwaukee. Dr. Bonds recently was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor, another former Minority Faculty Research Award recipient from the UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity who has earned this status.

## 9. Other News

- Professor Genevieve McBride of the UWM Center for Women's Studies will be delivering a lecture entitled "Vel Phillips of Milwaukee: Intersections of Race and Gender" -- Weds., March 1, 4:00 pm in the UWM Union, Wisconsin Room