Greetings community partners!

We are excited to launch the first quarterly newsletter highlighting UC Davis support for African American students and communities.

In our inaugural issue, we are particularly proud to announce a new African American Initiative at UC Davis. The initiative will enhance outreach, recruitment and retention efforts for African and African American students. As part of this effort, we are establishing a network among community and faith-based organizations that provide academic preparation services to African American youth. Chancellor Gary S. May, President Noel B. and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Campus Equity Officer Diane Farfan are in support of this initiative.

We are also proud to share that the new UC Davis Center for African Diaspora Student Success will be opening this fall. Professor and director of Strategic African American Student Affairs, will oversee the center. We welcome you to be part of this movement to see even more African American students succeed at our top-ranked university!

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Hello from Kanye Carter

My passion is to provide comprehensive support services to underrepresented college students who seek them, and I am thrilled to be the UC Davis Director of Strategic African American Student Affairs.

The new Center for African Diaspora Student Success will bring students, faculty and staff together to engage in all aspects of campus. We will improve student success through academic, student leadership and community engagement.

Prior to joining UC Davis, I was the Oakland site director for the College Track college prep program, and I’m looking forward to helping the high school and community college students that you and I both support at UC Davis.

UC Davis Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Milton Harrison, a UC Davis graduate, has been teaching here since 1996. As director of the African American and African Studies program, he enjoys connecting with students.

Dr. Harrison offers African American and African studies courses, such as "Writing from the Black Community," and works to connect students with the local community. His courses often feature guest lectures from prominent African American authors and researchers.

Dr. Harrison also teaches "American Ethnic Studies," which explores the history and culture of African American people. He is passionate about teaching and helping students understand the complex history of African American people and their contributions to society.

Campus Community Book Project

The Student Activities and Recreational Services (SARS) Outreach Book Project is a community service program aimed at providing free books to underrepresented students on campus. The project seeks to bridge the gap in literacy and encourage students to engage in reading and learning.

Students who participate in the program are provided with books that reflect their cultural backgrounds and experiences. The goal is to promote diversity and inclusion on campus.

The Outreach Book Project was initiated in 2011 and has since expanded to include a variety of genres, from fiction to non-fiction, and from poetry to self-help books. The program has received positive feedback from students who have participated, with many expressing gratitude for the opportunity to have access to books that resonate with their personal experiences.

The Outreach Book Project is a testament to the commitment of UC Davis to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students. By providing access to literature that reflects diverse perspectives and experiences, the program helps to foster a sense of community and belonging on campus.

Read the Black Pages

The Black Pages is an annual guide to UC Davis resources and programs for African American and African students.

Important Dates

* Fall 2022 Orientation
* Fall 2022 Leadership Panel
* Fall 2022 Center for African Diaspora Student Success opening

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