



NEWS August-September 2014

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Featured Stories:

Coming Soon 2014 BLACK CONVOCATION October 2014

The Black Convocation is an annual event that welcomes new and returning students to the UCLA campus and makes them aware of the different organizations, departments, and resources available to serve them. It is an evening full of Bruin pride, providing encouragement, anecdotes about the past, and a glimpse of the future from UCLA faculty, staff, and alumni dedicated to supporting all students. Make sure you attend this important and empowering event! Check the Bunche Center Website, www.bunchecenter.ucla.edu for date/times and additional information.



Save The Date Bunche Center Co-Sponsors National Council for Black Studies Conference in L.A. March 11-14 2015

The National Council for Black Studies 39th Annual Conference will be held in Los Angeles, on March 11-14, 2015. The Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies at UCLA is one of the co-sponsors of the event. The National Council for Black Studies (NCBS) is one of the leading organizations of Black Studies professionals in the world, driving the development of Black/Africana Studies as a respected academic discipline. For more information about the conference and the Call for Papers, [Click Here](#).



News and Announcements:

The Bunche Center is a hub for lectures, readings, screenings and other informative and entertaining events. To learn more, [Click Here](#).

SHI SYMPOSIUM



Over the last month, the Bunche Center has hosted 6 students for the fourteenth and final Summer Humanities Institute (SHI). SHI caters to high-achieving students from historically under-represented groups in their junior and senior year, planning to pursue doctoral degrees in the humanities and social

sciences, with a focus on the African American experience. This year's UCLA Summer Humanities Institute & California State University Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars Symposium will be held on August 12 and 13 from 9:00am until noon in the UCLA Faculty Center. The presentations are free and open to the public. Please attend and support these young scholars. For more information, [Click Here](#).

Faculty News:

Ford Receives 1.5 million from NIH to study Disparities in HIV/AIDS Care Among Racial/Ethnic Minorities and Seniors



Chandra Ford, an Assistant Professor of Community Health Sciences at the University of California at Los Angeles and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member, was recently awarded a \$1.5 million grant from the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR), one of the institutes within the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The grant will be used to fund a study to look at disparities in HIV/AIDS care among racial/ethnic minorities and seniors. To read more, [Click Here](#).



Nelson 2014-15 W. E. B. Du Bois Research Institute Fellow



Steven Nelson, UCLA Associate Professor of Art History, and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member, was named a 2014-2015 W. E. B. Du Bois Research Institute Fellow. In residence for the academic year as a Cohen Fellow, he will work on his book *Mapping Blackness in African and Afro-Atlantic Art*. To read more, [Click Here](#).

Hunt on Tavis Smiley Radio



In June, Bunche Center Director and UCLA Sociology Professor Darnell Hunt discussed the Hollywood Diversity Report on Tavis Smiley Radio. To listen to the interview, [Click Here](#). For background information on the Race and Hollywood Project, [Click Here](#).



Library & Media Center News:

The Bunche Library and Media Center (LMC) will host a booth at the Leimert Park Village Book Fair. The event will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2014, from 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM at the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza, 3650 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in Los Angeles. For more info, [Click Here](#).



The Bunche Library and Media Center (LMC) has print, multimedia, and archival materials relevant to African Americans and the diaspora, their institutions and achievements worldwide, with a particular emphasis on UCLA, Los Angeles, and the Southwestern United States.

During the summer, the library is open by appointment only. Regular hours will resume at the start of the Fall quarter. Research and reference questions by phone and email are always welcome. The Librarian can be reached at 310-825-6060 or by email at dhunter@bunche.ucla.edu. The LMC is located in 135 Haines Hall. For more about the library, [Click Here](#).

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Enjoy the Summer!



Bruce's Beach - one of few beaches in Southern California in the early 1900s open to African Americans. Charles and Willa Bruce built a black beach resort there, the only resort in Southern California that allowed Blacks. Manhatta Bruce condemned Bruce's Beach and forced out the black community in the 1920s and 1930s. The City Project organization worked with Bernard Bruce, the grandson of the beach's founder, to change the name of the ocean front park back to Bruce's Beach in 2007.

Fall Quarter Begins on Monday, September 29th, 2014

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