

THE BLACK MALE SUMMIT 2021

BLACK MALES: RISING TO THE OCCASION

AGENDA



TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 2021
VIRTUAL EVENT

The
University
of Akron

10:30–10:40 a.m.	WELCOME Gary L. Miller, Ph.D., President, The University of Akron Sheldon B. Wrice, Ed.D., Interim VP Inclusion & Equity/Chief Diversity Officer The University of Akron
10:40–11:25 a.m. <i>Breakout Sessions</i>	ADMISSIONS PRESENTATION TO STUDENTS Courtney A. Johnson-Benson, M.A.Ed Senior Assistant Director, Admissions The University of Akron CORONA VIRUS ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION William F. Demas, M.D., FACR, FASTRO Professor and Chair of Radiology Northeast Ohio Medical University Jason Render Jr. UA Williams Honors College Scholar
11:25–11:40 a.m.	AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE LEARNING COMMUNITY (AAMLC) OVERVIEW & INTRODUCTION OF PANEL William M. Casterlow, M.Ed., Associate Director, AAMLC Office of Multicultural Development, The University of Akron
11:40 a.m–12:45 p.m.	AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE LEARNING COMMUNITY PANEL Moderator: Gary L. Miller, PH.D., President, The University of Akron Panelists: Darnell D. Davis Jr., M.P.A.; Terance T. Eaton; Nathaniel A. Huff, M.S.Ed.; and Jarrell Lemons, M.Ed.
12:45–12:55 p.m.	ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/BREAK /ANNOUNCEMENTS William M. Casterlow, M.Ed., Associate Director, AAMLC Office of Multicultural Development, The University of Akron

<p>12:55–1 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">JOHN S. AND JAMES L. KNIGHT FOUNDATION WELCOME</p> <p align="center">Kyle Kutuchief, M.P.A., Akron Program Director John S. and James L. Knight Foundation</p> <p align="center">KEYNOTE SPEAKER INTRODUCTION</p> <p align="center">Tyrone A. Johnson President, Collegiate 100 Interest Group, OARS Scholar The University of Akron</p>		
<p>1–1:40 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">KEYNOTE SPEAKER - CORNEL WEST, PH.D.</p> <p align="center">Professor of Practice of Public Philosophy, Harvard University Professor Emeritus, Princeton University</p>		
<p>1:40–2 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">Q & A KEYNOTE SPEAKER - CORNEL WEST, PH.D.</p> <p align="center">John M. Williams, Moderator Deputy Executive Director/COO, Alpha Phi Alpha Homes, Inc.</p>		
<p>2–2:10 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/BREAK /ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p align="center">William M. Casterlow, M.Ed., Associate Director, AAMLC Office of Multicultural Development, The University of Akron</p>		
	<p>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</p> <p>Six (6) career exploration panel discussions comprised of current professionals and experts in their fields, along with UA alumni and students who are successful in their respective career/major discipline areas. Breakout participants will interact with panelists to learn about what it takes to prepare for a specific career and tips on how to succeed as a college student. Please select your career area of interest and attend the session to receive wise advice from career professionals and UA graduates on the challenges and rewards of pursuing your collegiate and career aspirations.</p>		
<p>2:15–3:30 p.m. <i>Breakout Sessions</i></p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="444 1484 974 2001"> <p align="center">LAW <i>Launching Your Law Career</i></p> <p align="center">Moderator Brant T. Lee, J.D. Professor of Law Assistant Dean of Diversity & Social Justice Initiatives</p> <p align="center">Panelists Brandyn A. Costa, J.D., M.B.A. Randall “Rich” Freeman, J.D., M.P.A. Imokhai Okolo, J.D. Darrin R. Toney, J.D.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="974 1484 1528 2001"> <p align="center">PRE-HEALTH <i>Rising Up to Help Through Health Fields</i></p> <p align="center">Moderator Andre Burton, J.D. Vice President for Human Resources and Diversity Northeast Ohio Medical University</p> <p align="center">Panelists Victor Akinditan Jared Cheatham Timilehin “Tim” Ogunjan John “Ikenna” Ogwuegbu, M.S.</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p align="center">LAW <i>Launching Your Law Career</i></p> <p align="center">Moderator Brant T. Lee, J.D. Professor of Law Assistant Dean of Diversity & Social Justice Initiatives</p> <p align="center">Panelists Brandyn A. Costa, J.D., M.B.A. Randall “Rich” Freeman, J.D., M.P.A. Imokhai Okolo, J.D. Darrin R. Toney, J.D.</p>	<p align="center">PRE-HEALTH <i>Rising Up to Help Through Health Fields</i></p> <p align="center">Moderator Andre Burton, J.D. Vice President for Human Resources and Diversity Northeast Ohio Medical University</p> <p align="center">Panelists Victor Akinditan Jared Cheatham Timilehin “Tim” Ogunjan John “Ikenna” Ogwuegbu, M.S.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">EDUCATION <i>Supporting Successful Educators</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator David W. James, Ed.D. Superintendent Akron Public Schools</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelists Charles Bowman, Ph.D. Nathaniel A. Huff, M.S.Ed. Jarrell Lemons, M.Ed. Jonathan Pope</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ENGINEERING <i>Leading the Way in Engineering</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator Heidi Lehnert-Cressman, MBA Director, Diversity & Inclusion, College of Engineering and Polymer Sciences The University of Akron</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelists DeGraffth Palmore Drake Smalley Nuwoo Smith, M.B.O.E.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PSYCHOLOGY <i>Soaring to New Heights Through Psychology</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator John E. Queener, Jr., Ph.D. Professor, Department of Psychology The University of Akron</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelists Aaron Bethea, M.A. William "Will" Osei, Ph.D. Jusiah L. Prowell, M.S. Baron Rogers, M.A. Thomas A. Vance, Ph.D.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ADULT FOCUS <i>On the Rise with Adult Learners</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator Laura Conley Director, Adult Focus The University of Akron</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelists Darcus L. Linton, Sr. Jason Miller Christy Motley, M.P.A.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">3:30–3:35 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CONFERENCE EVALUATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Autumn Frampton, M.B.A., Associate Director, Academic Support Services Office of Multicultural Development, The University of Akron</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">3:40–3:45 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BLACK MALE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Marcus Alan Wagner - (\$1500) Sponsored by Cleveland Clinic Akron General Darnell Pearson - (\$1000) Sponsored by Akron Children’s Hospital Devontae Glover - (\$1000) Sponsored by Summa Health Systems Demetrius (Dennis) Williams - (\$1000) Sponsored by The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company Darius Harris - (\$500) Dr. Joe White Book Scholarship sponsored by Dominion Energy Justin Lee - (\$500) Dr. Joe White Book Scholarship sponsored by Dominion Energy Andre Starks - (\$500) Dr. Joe White Book Scholarship Sponsored by Akron Children’s Hospital</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">3:45–4:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CLOSING CEREMONY BLACK MALE OATH OF EXCELLENCE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sheldon B. Wrice, Ed.D., Interim VP Inclusion & Equity/Chief Diversity Officer, The University of Akron William M. Casterlow, M.Ed., Associate Director, AAMLC, Office of Multicultural Development The University of Akron</p>