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DIVERSITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Dear Diversity Leaders & Ambassadors,

We are closing out our final week of Black History Month with a host of events to celebrate and honor the accomplishments and sacrifices of leaders who fought for the human rights of this community. For our [affinity month celebration](#), the careers and personal journeys of a few Black faculty members have been recognized so please take the time to review their [stories](#). Lastly, we have also made available the [Emory University School of Medicine African American History](#) timeline and our [Racism & Social Justice Webinar Series](#). We invite you to celebrate with us, reflect, and learn how to be a part of the continued effort to promote equity and justice across our community.



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Monday, February 22nd

The James Weldon Johnson Institute for the Study of Race and Difference will host [Xenophobia in America: How We Got Here and What's at Stake](#). Award-winning author and historian Erica Lee will discuss confronting Xenophobia in America: the history, how it works, why it's endured and how it threatens our nation.

Tuesday, February 23rd

The Emory Musculoskeletal Center is hosting [Housing, Poverty, & Race and its Impact in Public Health](#), which is a part of their Black History Month Speaker Series and Courtney Anderson, JD, Associate Professor of Law at Georgia State University is the featured speaker.

Wednesday, February 24th

The School of Medicine Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Office is hosting [Black Men in White Coats Screening and Discussion](#). Black Men in White Coats is a 2020 documentary bringing to light the plight of lack of Black men in the field of medicine and their high mortality rate. On

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February 19th the film was available for viewing and viewers have until February 23rd to watch. A [panel discussion](#) featuring speakers: Anwar Osborne MD, MPM; DeJuan White, MD; Jason Campbell, MD; and Yolanda Wimberly, MD, MSc will follow on Wednesday, February 24th at 12pm.

The Department of Pediatrics/Pediatric Institute Diversity and Inclusion Committee will host [Pandemics and Policing: On Racism and Child](#) at 8am. The featured speaker is Rhea Boyd, MD, MPH a pediatrician, public health advocate, and scholar who writes and teaches on the relationship between structural racism, inequity and health.

[Thursday, February 25th](#)

The Emory Musculoskeletal Center will be closing out the Black History Webinar Series with [A Journey to the Present: Roundtable Discussion With MSK Faculty on the Impact of Race and Career Development](#) at 6pm. Dr. Michael Patterson Adjunct Professor in the Department of History at Morehouse College Doctorate in Education and Organizational Leadership with an emphasis in Higher Education will facilitate the discussion.

Emory University is hosting a conversation focused on how [the University is taking action to provide more access and opportunity for diverse businesses](#) in the metro Atlanta region. A panel of practitioners at Emory will share their insights on how they are ensuring local, diverse businesses gain access to contracts, mentors, and other resources as we develop partnerships with these businesses in Metro Atlanta.

[Friday, February 26th](#)

The Psychology Division of the Emory University School of Medicine at Grady Health System is hosting [Racial Trauma, Advocacy, & Community Organization](#) at 9am and they will explore interconnectedness of various American systems and their roles in perpetuating racial trauma, especially among Black Americans. The featured speakers are Erica Marshall-Lee, PhD, Douglas E. Lewis, Jr., PsyD, Michelle Casimir, PsyD, ABPP, Monica Agoston, PhD, ABPP

The [All US Research Program](#) is celebrating African American impact and contributions to the medical and research fields at 12pm. The

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panel will share what they've learned in their careers and best practices on engaging the African American community in research.

Please save the date below:

- March 4th: The School of Medicine Office of Diversity will host Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Where Are We Now? An overview of the DEI Strategic Plan and current initiatives will be discussed. We invite you to join us.

We have more to come! Stay tuned. We encourage you to share programs and initiatives mentioned above with your respective units.

Warm regards,

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