



OUR VOICES

2017 Diversity Conference

January 26-27

Hosted by the President's Commission on the Status of Minorities

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017

- 8:00-9:00 AM** **REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**
- 9:00-9:40 AM** **UNIVERSITY WELCOME**
Dr. Lakiesha Williams, President's Commission on the Status of Minorities
Dr. Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University
- 9:45-10:30 AM** **ADMINISTRATORS PANEL: Strategies for an Inclusive Campus**
Dr. Donald Cole, University of Mississippi
Mr. Andre Heath, University of Southern Mississippi
Dr. Regina Hyatt, Mississippi State University
Dr. Donzell Lee, Alcorn State University
Dr. Juanyce Taylor, University of Mississippi Medical Center
- 10:30-10:45 AM** **BREAK**
- 10:45-11:30 AM** **BEYOND DIVERSITY: Managing the Identity Crises of the 21st Century**
Dr. Michael Clifford, Mississippi State University
Dr. Danielle Wylie, Mississippi State University
- 11:30 AM-1:00 PM** **KEYNOTE LUNCHEON**
Unclaimed Legacy: Who Will Lead the Next Social Movement?
Mr. Jeff Johnson, MSNBC Contributor and White House Correspondent for the Grio
- 1:00-1:50 PM** **CONCURRENT SESSION I**
Student Roundtable Discussion
Mr. Jeff Johnson, MSNBC Contributor and White House Correspondent for the Grio
- A Conversation on Race in America*
Mr. Neddie Winters, Mission Mississippi
- International Voices: More than just a Photo Op*
Ms. Kassandra Lane, Mississippi State University

2:00-2:50 PM

CONCURRENT SESSION II

Listening to Voices from History: Unearthing Roots of Forced Uniformity
Dr. Sally Hatch Gray and Dr. Brenda Kirkland, Mississippi State University

White Male's Perspective: Racial Awakening, Racial Healing, and Responsibility
Dr. Cade Smith, Mississippi State University

Exploring the Motivations and Barriers for Female Engineering Students
Ms. Danielle Grimes, National Science Foundation Fellow

3:00-3:50 PM

CONCURRENT SESSION III

Social Justice and Advocacy for Service Providers and Educators
Ms. Melanie Walsh and Ms. Bailey McDaniel, Mississippi State University

We Can't Hear You, Students: Use Your Voice to Help Us Turn Up the Volume
Dr. Tracey Baham and Ms. Kayla Mouchett, Mississippi State University

Changing the Narrative of Underrepresented Students at a PWI
Mr. Fredrick Wilson, Howard University

4:00-5:30 PM

MEET AND GREET SOCIAL

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2017

9:00-9:55 AM

USING YOUR VOICE: How to Engage in Civil Discourse

Dr. Timothy Fair, Cornell University

10:00-10:55 AM

STUDENT GOVERNMENT PANEL

Mr. Gavin King, Mississippi State Student Association Attorney General

Ms. Roxanne Raven, Mississippi State Student Association President

Mr. Roy Jafari, Mississippi State International Student Advisory Board President

Mr. Quincy Hughes, Mississippi University for Women Student Body President

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

KEYNOTE LUNCHEON

Our Voices: Responding to Unrest on College Campuses

Dr. Taffye Clayton, Vice President and Associate Provost for Inclusion and Diversity, Auburn University

12:45-1:00 PM

BREAK

1:00-1:55 PM

TOWN HALL/ROUNDTABLE SESSION

2:00-2:30 PM

CLOSING REMARKS/EVALUATIONS