



## The Alumni on Racial and Ethnic Diversity

### Fall Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 (Zoom)

Friday, October 14, 2022- Saturday, October 15, 2022 (Chapel Hill)

#### Agenda

##### **Friday, October 14, 2022**

*Hussman School of Journalism and Media, Curtis Media Center*

*211 S. Columbia Street; Chapel Hill, NC 27514*

*Parking is at Rams Head Parking Deck, 33 Ridge Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 (Shuttles will be provided)*

*Dress is business casual*

<https://unc.zoom.us/j/93720717931>

8:15 a.m. Breakfast and Registration

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Virginia Cárdenas, ACRED Chair

Lou Patalano, ACRED Vice Chair

9:10 a.m. Closing the Campaign for Carolina and the great news about diverse giving

At the ACRED retreat, members heard from Vice Chancellor David Routh who updated us on the campaign and answered questions about his future as he prepares to retire at the end of the year. We will build on that giving conversation with a look at the past few years and how diverse giving has been a part of the Campaign for Carolina.

Jennifer Bowman

*Assistant Vice Chancellor Development and Foundation Administration*

*Chief of Staff to the Vice Chancellor for Development*

Chris Barnes

*Associate Director of Development for Centers and Institutions*

9:30 a.m. Greetings and Updates from the Chancellor

Chancellor Guskiewicz will spend time talking with us about issues currently facing the University and include time for questions and answers.

Kevin M. Guskiewicz, *Chancellor*

9:45 a.m.

Understanding where we go next in our enrollment endeavors

Carolina has vigorously defended its holistic admissions approach which is expected to be heard soon by the U.S. Supreme Court. At question is whether universities may continue to consider race as one factor among many in admissions decisions. The outcome has profound implications for U.S. higher education. We will talk with a legal expert about the implications of this case.

Theodore M. Shaw

*Julius L. Chambers Distinguished Professor of Law  
Director, UNC Center for Civil Rights*

10:05 a.m.

UNC Office of Diversity and Inclusion Update

The mission of diversity, equity, and inclusion at UNC is to celebrate all members of the Carolina community, broaden the collective understanding, and foster a sense of belonging by uplifting diverse identities, cultures, experiences, and perspectives. Also, to help create and sustain a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming environment for all students, faculty, staff, and alumni. We will hear how this office is moving forward.

Leah Cox

*Vice Provost for Equity, and Inclusion  
Chief Diversity Officer*

10:30 a.m.

Diversity in Academics – A talk about recruiting and maintaining diverse faculty and Programs of Study

Our American Indian Subcommittee has been involved in conversations with university officials about how Carolina's American Indian and Indigenous Studies program will look in the future. We will hear an update on this conversation and talk about how Carolina is working to support diversity among our faculty and programs of study.

James W.C. White

*Craver Family Dean, College of Arts & Sciences*

Amy Locklear Hertel

*Executive Vice Provost*

Lachonya Thompson

*Assistant Provost for Faculty Affairs*

Leah Cox

*Vice Provost for Equity, and Inclusion  
Chief Diversity Officer*

Karla Slocum  
Senior Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, College of Arts & Sciences  
*Professor of Anthropology*

11:00 a.m. A video introduction of Carolina's future center director

The new director of the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, comes to Carolina from the position of professor of Africana Studies at Williams College. Her specializations include African American religion, Black feminism/womanism, and documentary filmmaking. She is founder of ConjureGirlBlue Productions, a small media company specializing in nonfiction storytelling. She has prepared a video introducing herself.

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant  
*Director, Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History*

11:05 a.m. BREAK

11:15 a.m. UNC's School of Social Work – Taking on mental health at a critical time

Mental health has become a major issue in recent years both on campus and across our nation. We will hear from School of Social Work Dean Ramona Denby-Brinson who arrived at Carolina in August 2021 as the 13<sup>th</sup> person and first Black woman to serve as dean of the school. She will update us on the School of Social Work and describe the research taking place on collective trauma in communities, the importance of taking a trauma-informed approach when engaging and how it matters.

Ramona W. Denby-Brinson  
*Dean, School of Social Work*

11:35 a.m. ACRED Working Group Report

Virginia Cardenas, *ACRED Chair*  
Lou Patalano, *ACRED Vice Chair*

Noon Lunch

1:30 p.m. ACRED Committee Meeting

**African American Subcommittee**  
Monica Cloud, Chair  
Rolanda Burney, Vice Chair

**American Indian Subcommittee**

Dwight Jacobs, Co-Chair  
Johanna Karas, Co-Chair

**Asian American Subcommittee**

Ngoc Nguyen, Co-Chair  
Anna-Rhesa Versola, Co-Chair

**Latino Subcommittee**

Veronica Flaspoeehler, Chair

2:45 p.m. Connecting with one of Carolina's newest deans

Raul Reis joined Carolina as dean in July. Previously, he served for six years as dean of the School of Communication at Emerson College, where he was a tenured professor in the Department of Communication Studies. He was also dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Florida International University in Miami, Florida. He has published extensively on topics such as the impact of mass media on traditional communities; Latin American and Brazilian media; higher education; and science, health, and environmental communication. As our host, he will bring greetings and share his plans for the school.

Raul Reis  
*Dean, Hussman School of Journalism and Media*

3:00 p.m. Tour of The Curtis Media Center

The newly constructed innovative learning space is a leading educational technology hub that features a broadcast and podcast studio, a maker space, and a state-of-the-art classroom. Don Curtis '63 — an alumnus and a former member of the UNC Board of Trustees — and his family foundation's visionary gift made the building a reality. The Curtis family's \$10 million gift is the second-largest single gift in the school's history.

*Dorrance Field, 324 South Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514.*

7:00 p.m. UNC Women's Soccer Game, UNC vs. Wake Forest

Please join us as we fellowship together and watch UNC's women's soccer team take on Wake Forest University in what is expected to be a competitive matchup. UNC Women's Soccer is considered the greatest college soccer team ever, winning 23 of 27 ACC championships and 21 of the 40 NCAA national championships held. The Tar Heels are having a winning season at 7-2. A concession voucher will be provided for snacks and beverages.

**Saturday, October 15, 2022**

*UNC American Indian Center, 205 Wilson Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27516*

*Parking is at Rams Head Parking Deck, 33 Ridge Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514*

<https://unc.zoom.us/j/93720717931>

9:30 a.m. Check-in

9:45 a.m. Chairs Reception

*Depart to Frank Porter Graham Student Union, Room 3411, 209 South Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27599.*

10:20 a.m. Breakfast

10:30 a.m. Getting to know the new director of the American Indian Center

Danielle Hiraldo arrived in July as the fourth director since the creation in 2006 of the American Indian Center. For the past six years Hiraldo, a member of the Lumbee tribe of North Carolina has served at the University of Arizona as a senior research and outreach specialist of the Native Nations Institute in the Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy. She specializes in federal Indian law and policy, including Native nation rebuilding, Indigenous politics and governance, and constitutional reform, as well as state and federal recognition. She will talk about her year so far and what she sees ahead.

Danielle Hiraldo  
*Director, American Indian Center*

11:00 a.m. ACRED's Vision for the Future

The recent ACRED retreat energized and motivated our organization as we build on our past and look to the future. We are excited to hear updates from our working groups.

Virginia Cárdenas, ACRED Chair  
Lou Patalano, ACRED Vice Chair

Raquel Hudson, Communications Subcommittee  
Matthew Bradley, Fundraising Subcommittee  
Oliver Pau, Governance Subcommittee  
Melvin Green, Mission Statement  
Rosa T. McAfee, Outreach Subcommittee

12:20 p.m. Closing  
Virginia Cárdenas, *ACRED Chair*

12:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Mark your calendars:**

- Chris Barnes will lead the group in a strategic conversation on giving at **4 p.m., Tuesday, October 25, 2022**, via zoom: <https://unc.zoom.us/j/96946831812>
- The ACRED spring meeting will take place on **Thursday, April 20, 2022, and Friday, April 21, 2022**, in Chapel Hill.