The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans invites you to participate in the African American Education Summit on June 26, 2015 at the University of California, Los Angeles. In collaboration with UCLA’s Sociology and African American Studies Departments, the Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies at UCLA and the Black Male Institute, this Summit will be a solutions-based forum to enable those in attendance to meaningfully contribute to African American educational excellence by supporting learning and development opportunities for African American students. Your experience and expertise will surely add value to our discussion and we are hopeful we can count on your participation and support.

Thank you in advance for supporting the President’s efforts to close the Achievement gap for African American Students.

1:00 p.m.  Welcome Remarks
David J. Johns, Executive Director, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans
Alessandro Duranti, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Dean of Social Sciences, UCLA
Marcus Anthony Hunter, Assistant Professor of Sociology and African American Studies, UCLA

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Ryan Smith, Education Trust-West

1:20 p.m.  Panel Discussion I: Reimagining Opportunity for Black Youth in Los Angeles
Moderator: David J. Johns, Executive Director, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans
Sy Stokes, UCLA ‘15
Esche Jackson, Anti-Recidivism Coalition, University of Southern California senior
Baileigh Sauldsberry, View Park Preparatory Accelerated Charter High School, Los Angeles
Gary Green, UCLA ‘14
Yolanda Hester, UCLA, African American Studies—MA Program
2:45 p.m.  **Panel Discussion II: Stabilizing Public Schools to Advance Student Achievement and Ensure College and Career Readiness**

Moderator: **Marcus Anthony Hunter**, Assistant Professor of Sociology and African American Studies UCLA

**Charity Chandler**, Anti-Recidivism Coalition, Loyola Marymount University ’12

**Donte Miller**, UCLA ’15

**Kenjus Watson**, UCLA, Ph.D. candidate

**Cheyenne Grimes**, Morningside High School, Inglewood

**Elizabeth Flowers**, UCLA, African American Studies—MA Program

3:45 p.m.  **Call to Action—Community Conversation, Reactions and Recommendations**

UCLA faculty-facilitated discussion:

**Darnell Hunt**, Professor of Sociology, UCLA and Director, Bunche Center for African American Studies at UCLA

**Cheryl Harris**, Chair of African American Studies and Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Professor in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, UCLA

**Marcus Anthony Hunter**, Assistant Professor of Sociology and African American Studies, UCLA

**Tyrone Howard**, Professor of Education, UCLA and Director, Black Male Institute at UCLA

4:45 p.m.  **Closing Remarks**

**David J. Johns**, Executive Director, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans

5:00 p.m.  **Reception**