



REIMAGINING OUR SUCCESS: THE RESHAPING OF FIRST-GEN FUTURES

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

9:15am-9:30am

Symposium Welcome

Join us for the launch of the 2022 5th annual First-generation Symposium

9:30am-10:45am

Keynote: Proximity Does Not Equal Advocacy

Keynote Speaker: Whitnee Boyd, Ed.D.

10:45am-11:00am

Break

11:00am-11:30am

Reimagining STEM in the First-generation (Access, Opportunities, and Community)*

Presenters: Michael Brown, Ed.D. and Shareyna James, MBA

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Student Empowerment Session

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Presenter: John Woodruff, M.S.

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Thinking Outside the Classroom: Creative Approaches to Writing Support for First-gen Students

Presenters: Christina Michaud and Marisa Milanese

12:00pm-12:30pm

Break

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First-generation Student Panel

Panelists: Naima Chowdhury, Erica Iraheta, Summaiya Ishrat, Denzell Moore, April Townson, Miguel Vera
Moderator: Sierra Lomuto, Ph.D.

1:45pm-2:00pm

Break

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Resilience And Variation Among First-gen Students During COVID-19*

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Schedule subject to change. Updated 1/31/22.



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Collectively breaking down Imposter Syndrome through a DEI lens

Presenter: Mariana Cardenas

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Leveling UP: Addressing the Difficult Realities First-generation College Students Face*

Presenters: Dyron Corley, Ed.D. and Dana Kemery, Ed.D.

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How We Built This: Strategies to Build a Coalition of Support for First-Generation Students*

Presenters: Penny McPherson-Myers, Ed.D. and Amy Ruymann, M.S.

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3:00pm-3:30pm

Break

3:30pm-4:15pm

Black, First-generation, and Low Income: Navigating Dual Pandemics in an Age of COVID-19 and Police Brutality*

Presenter: Ariel Davis, M.S.

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3:30pm-4:30pm

Teaching to Their Cultural Strengths: Empowering First-generation Students*

Presenters: Ellen Wasserman and Krista Quinn

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3:30pm-5:00pm

Reimagining Job Search Strategies for Success: Finding the Hidden Treasures For Your Career

Hosted by: the Office of Career Advancement



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Building Your New Normal: True 'Productivity' is Not About Doing More

Presenter: Akua Nyame-Mensah

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First-Gen Faculty Panel

Panelists: Angela Cirucci, Ph.D, Robert Eisberg, M.A., Michael Grove, Ph.D., Peter Rattigan, Ph.D.
Moderator: Brooke Hoffman, Ph.D.

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First-generation Students in Medicine Panel

Panelists: Stephen Acheampong, Michael Curry, Lindsey DeJean, Gabrielle Montlouis, Mathew Pekora

Moderator: Yvonne Ortiz

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Reshaping "DREAMers" Expectations on Education

Presenters: David Guadarrama and Victoria Murray

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Reimagining Career Values and Decision-Making During the Great Resignation

Presenters: Lisa Cardello, EdS and Rosaria Pipitone

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Presenters: Brooke Hoffman, Ph.D. and Catherine Michener, Ph.D.

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GA's Giving Back: the Benefits and Challenges of Graduate Assistant First-gen Student Support

Presenters: Arianna Hoffman and Claude Taylor

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Closing Remarks

Join us as we close out the 2022 5th annual First-generation Symposium