

Leading with Courage

A professional learning experience on
the African American presence at UC

“Facing Forward: How to leverage Alumni to prepare Black Students for the future.”

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Objectives

- Faculty and staff will understand the value of alumni partnerships to enhance the collegiate experience.
- Faculty and staff will understand the value of developing a partnership with alumni to assist them professionally
- Faculty and staff will understand the economic value of alumni partnerships

Student and Alumni Engagement



UCR Class of 2008
President, UCR Black Alumni

Think of College as “Theory”...Alumni as “Application”

❑ Bridge Building

- Leveraging alumni is a collaborative effort
- Campus’s usually are able to pull together stakeholders such as advisors, success coaches, athletic coaches, admissions counselors, financial aid representatives, tutors, mentors, faculty, staff and other student support staff.
- Alumni are a necessary link in bridge building

❑ Safety Net and Access

- Mentorship/Professional and Student Leadership Development
- Food/Housing

❑ Goal Planning & Professional Development

- Help Students create clear education and career goals
- Internships
- Jobs

Community Partnerships



UCR Class of 1988
Chair, UCR Grier Concerned Citizens

Community Partnerships

“At UC, 39 percent of students are Asian American-Pacific Islander, 26 percent white, 26 percent Latino and 4 percent black. **In contrast 70 percent of UC tenured faculty are white**, 16 percent Asian-Pacific Islander, 7 percent Latino and **3 percent black**. The UC regents are 62 percent white.”

-” **Whites dominate California college faculties while students are more diverse, study shows”**

<https://edsources.org/2018/whites-dominate-california-college-faculties-while-students-are-more-diverse-study-shows/594268>

Power of Community Partnerships

- UCR Grier Concerned Citizens-Chancellor and Cabinet level conversations
- Influence

The Voice you need for the things that can't be said.

- Fear of Repurcussions
- Advocates

Financial Opportunities

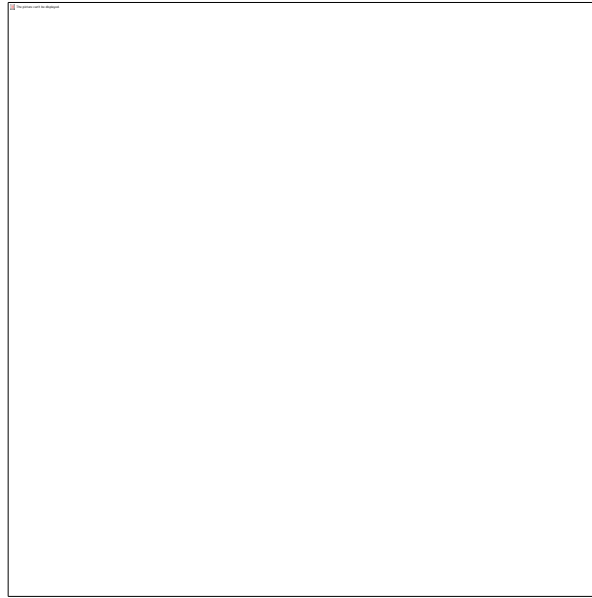


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Financial Opportunities

- Ambassadors-Recruitment/Pipeline
- Scholarships
- Sponsorships/Donations
- Employment advocacy
- Financial Support for students
- Endowments

UCR Black Alumni Gala
April 4, 2020
Saturday, 6-10 p.m.
UCR Alumni Visitor's Center



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