

**2nd Annual
Women of Color Leadership Conference**

**“The Progression of Women in the 21st Century:
Higher Education, Health and Politics”**



**April 3rd and 4th, 2009
Kelley School of Business
Graduate and Executive Education Center
Indiana University**

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Friday April 3, 2009

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Registration	Kelley School of Business– Atrium
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks	
10:25 – 11:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions	
11:10 -11:45 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions	
12:00-12:45 p.m.	Lunch Keynote: <i>Wakisha Malone</i>	
12:55-1:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions	
1:35-1:45p.m.	Closing Remarks	

Friday Evening

7:00-12:00 midnight	Hip Hop Reception and Open Mic
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Session Workshops 10:25-11:00a.m.

Media as an Invisible Ecological Determinant of Perceptions of African American Women: Implications for the Professional Lens of Experience– Dr. Maresa Murray, Ph.D (*Room 1034*)

- The purpose of this workshop is to explore the impact of popular media on perceptions of African American women.

Unlocking the Door to College—JoAnne C. Bunnage, Ph.D., Kim Morris -Newson, M.Ed., and current IU undergraduate and graduate students. (*Room 1040*)

- This interactive session will provide participants with information about planning for life after high school and admission to college. Special focus will be given to how women students can develop personal advocacy skills during high school and why participating in pre-college programs smoothes the transition to college.

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Session Workshops– 11:10-11:45a.m.

The Silent Epidemic: Sexual Assault on College Campuses— Savant Peer Educators Office for Women’s Affairs (OWA) Empowerment Project.

(Room 1034)

- This workshop will inform students of the normative institutional arrangements and other factors (e.g., gender ratios, parties, alcohol, and overnight sleepovers) which place women at a structural and social disadvantage when engaging in gender and sexual relations. Our goal is to conclude this workshop with an optimistic suggestion—by promoting normative institutional arrangements which facilitate accountability structures.

HIV: 101—Ashley Farrell, Bloomington Hospital Positive Link

(Room 1056)

- Participants will learn general HIV education with some parts targeting specifically to Women of Color and HIV including: HIV/AIDS stats- how many people have it; What HIV means, what it does to the body; What fluids transmit HIV and how people get it; Myths about HIV-what is not true; Risks for HIV-when to consider getting tested; Ways to prevent HIV; HIV treatment/medications; HIV testing Help for those that are living with HIV.

Session Workshops– 12:55-1:30p.m

LeaderSHIP- Discover What Type of Leader You Are

Sigma Lamda Upsilon/Señoritas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc.

(Room 1034)

- Participants partake in an activity involving legos that demonstrates how leadership characteristics are applied in real life.

Taking Our Lives Back—Monique Hill and Mindy Mayes. **(Room 1040)**

- In order to prevent life threatening illnesses this workshop will equip minority women with the necessary tools to take back their lives by removing cultural limitations taught from past generations.

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Saturday April 4th, 2009

- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Registration
Kelley School of Business– Atrium
- 9:30 – 9:50 a.m. Welcome/Opening Remarks
- 10:00-10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 11:00-11:50a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 12:05-1:05p.m. Lunch Keynote: Dr. Virginia Caine,
Director, Marion Co. Health Dept
- 1:20-2:10 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 2:10-2:25 p.m. **Break**
- 2:35-3:25 p.m. Afternoon Keynote Address: Valeri Haughton,
Monroe County Circuit Judge
- 3:35-3:45 p.m. Closing Remarks
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Lecture: Chuck D. (of Public Enemy)
Hosted by the Hudson Symposium
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. Dinner on Your Own
- 7:00—10:00 p.m. African American Dance Company Concert
Buskirk Chumley Theater **(tickets required)*

Workshop Sessions 10:00-10:50a.m.

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Politics of Hair: Clothing and Make-up for Women of Color in the Workplace— Beverly Calender– Anderson (*Room 1040*)

- In this session, a moderated panel of professional women of color will discuss their personal experiences in the workplace and how they make decisions about hair, make-up and clothing. There will be opportunities for participants to share their experiences and help one another find solutions to challenges they are facing. Together we will figure out how to make the discussion in your workplace about your skills, not your hair!

Do you know about Inflammatory Breast Cancer (IBC)?— Patricia Y. Talbert, Ph.D., MPH, CPHA (*Room 1056*)

- The goal is to provide pedagogical knowledge that empowers young women about IBC by giving them a better understanding of how IBC is different from the more common types of breast cancer; teaching about the signs and symptoms; exploring the diagnosis process; and presenting an overview regarding the aggressiveness of this disease.

Workshop Sessions 11:00-11:50a.m.

Sistah's Thriving and Surviving in Education- Dr. Stephanie M. Carter (**Room 1034**)

- This interactive workshop session will engage women of color in reflecting and discussing challenges they face as they engage in various roles (e.g., student, scholar, and mother). It will also examine how those roles intersect and create opportunities as well as challenges for them. This workshop will examine how black women can use social, academics, and spiritual networks to support and sustain each other.

Untreated - Physical and Mental Health of Low-income, Underserved Battered Women and their Children—Elizabeth A. Lopez (**Room 1040**)

- This presentation will define domestic violence, discuss the cycle of violence, and present how health centers, clinics, and hospitals are addressing the concerns/needs of domestic violence victims and their children.

Making the Campus Small: Finding Your Way on a PWI Campus—Mahauganee D. Shaw (**Room 1056**)

- The purpose of this session is to identify obstacles students of color face when attending college on a PWI campus, and to develop strategies to overcome those obstacles. Though IUB's retention statistics report steadily improving retention rates for students of color, the average is still quite low.

Workshop Sessions 1:20-2:10p.m.

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Barack's Baby Mama: Michelle Obama- Onika K. Williams

(Room 1040)

- This presentation will utilize the Feminist Legal Theory and Critical Race Theory to analyze Michelle Obama's categorization during the election. Presenter will focus in the form of the Black Panther's Ten-Point Program.

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