

DID YOU KNOW

THAT SU HAS AN ALUMNI OF COLOR ADVISORY COUNCIL?

The council works with the Board of Trustees and Alumni Board of Directors to:

- » Create meaningful connections and opportunities for students and alumni of color.
- » Invest in future generations of alumni of color.
- » Serve as ambassadors throughout the SU community and be a primary resource for engagement and communication.

THE COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP SPANS 50 YEARS, WITH MEMBERS HAVING GRADUATED IN CLASS YEARS RANGING FROM 1968 TO 2017.

Members provide invaluable input and perspective:

- » Afi Ahama '17
- » Amanda Alexandre '17
- » Courtney Allen '08
- » Viulka Arias-Guzman '15
- » Tia Banks '16
- » Bill Lewis '68
- » JR Reynolds '99
- » Jasmia Small-Jarrett '15
- » Ariana Stowe '13
- » James Stowe P'13
- » Stephen Walker '05
- » Joan Marshall '74 Wiggins

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A COUNCIL MEMBER, PLEASE CONTACT **KEESHA MOORE**, STAFF LIAISON, AT MOORELT@SUSQU.EDU OR **570-372-4737**.



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REINTRODUCING

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TAKE A PEEK INSIDE
TO LEARN HOW SU IS EVOLVING AND HOW YOU CAN BE A PART.

DID YOU KNOW THAT SU IS WORKING TO BUILD AN ACTIVELY ANTI-RACIST COMMUNITY?

In an effort to become a more inclusive community, the university:

- » Hired **Michael Dixon** as **Chief Inclusion and Diversity Officer** in Oct. 2019.
- » Established the **CenSUs: Everyone Counts Taskforce** in June 2020 to develop action steps to make SU's campus a supportive community in which all members are safe, valued and provided with opportunities to thrive and flourish. Visit susqu.edu/inclusive-excellence/census-task-force to see recommendations and progress.
- » Extended **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** activities to a weeklong slate of events that brings together the campus and local community through learning, music and faith.
- » Developed **PIER**, Susquehanna's Professional Internship and Employment Readiness program, which supports students of color.
- » Expanded the Center for Diversity and Inclusion's Let's Talk program and created the **Let's Keep Talking** series to include alumni.
- » Hired **Shannon Musgrove** as director of Susquehanna's U.S. Department of Education **TRIO Student Support Services** grant, which provides comprehensive academic, social and cultural support, as well as financial literacy, to 160 underrepresented students.



YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SU'S DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION INITIATIVES, THE CENSUS TASKFORCE, AND EVENTS AND PROGRAMMING AT [SUSQU.EDU/INCLUSIVE-EXCELLENCE](https://susqu.edu/inclusive-excellence).

WE MUST MOVE FROM A STATE OF BEING TO ONE OF DOING.

To be engaged does not mean to be aware, to be respectful, and to be empathetic. We need to be aware, respectful and empathetic, but to be engaged is to be actively involved. It is not enough not to be racist, we must become actively anti-racist. We must be advocates, we must be defenders, and we must be champions for what is right and just.

— JONATHAN D. GREEN, PRESIDENT, IN A STATEMENT TO THE SUSQUEHANNA COMMUNITY AFTER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD

"It is critically important that all members of our community know that Black Lives Matter at Susquehanna University." — Jonathan D. Green, President

DID YOU KNOW THAT THESE EVENTS ARE FOR YOU, TOO?

The **Let's Keep Talking** series fosters engaging, productive and honest conversations between alumni and students of color. Topics discussed in past events have included civic responsibility, election preparedness and voting rights, hosted by **Bill Lewis '68** and **Raquel Capellan '17**, and how to set healthy boundaries and establish a mental and physical safe space for yourself, facilitated by **Dr. Stacey Pearson-Wharton**, dean of health and wellness.



Join us for the next talks on **Tuesday, March 16** and **Thursday, April 15**. Scan the QR code to send your ideas for future topics of discussion or to vote for ideas submitted by others.

In addition to Let's Keep Talking, the Alumni of Color Advisory Council supports a wide variety of events throughout the year to engage students of color, including:

- » **Welcoming Umoja**, a rite of passage program which welcomes first-year students of color to the SU community
- » **SU Connect**, A Family Weekend reception for families of color
- » **Annual Homecoming-Reunion Weekend** reception for alumni and students of color
- » **Black History Month** events
- » **Break Through** networking
- » **Umoja Celebration for Graduates**

SO, LET'S KEEP TALKING

The council would like to provide you with regular updates but we need to make sure we have your most up-to-date contact information on file. Here's how:

STEP 1. Log in to sualum.com and make sure your information is correct.

STEP 2. To log in for the first time, enter your constituent ID listed on the address panel of this mailer.

If you need assistance updating your contact information or creating a new profile, please call the Alumni Office at **570-372-4115**.

For additional information about the Alumni of Color Advisory Council, visit sualum.com or contact Keesha Moore, staff liaison, at moorelt@susqu.edu or **570-372-4737**.

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