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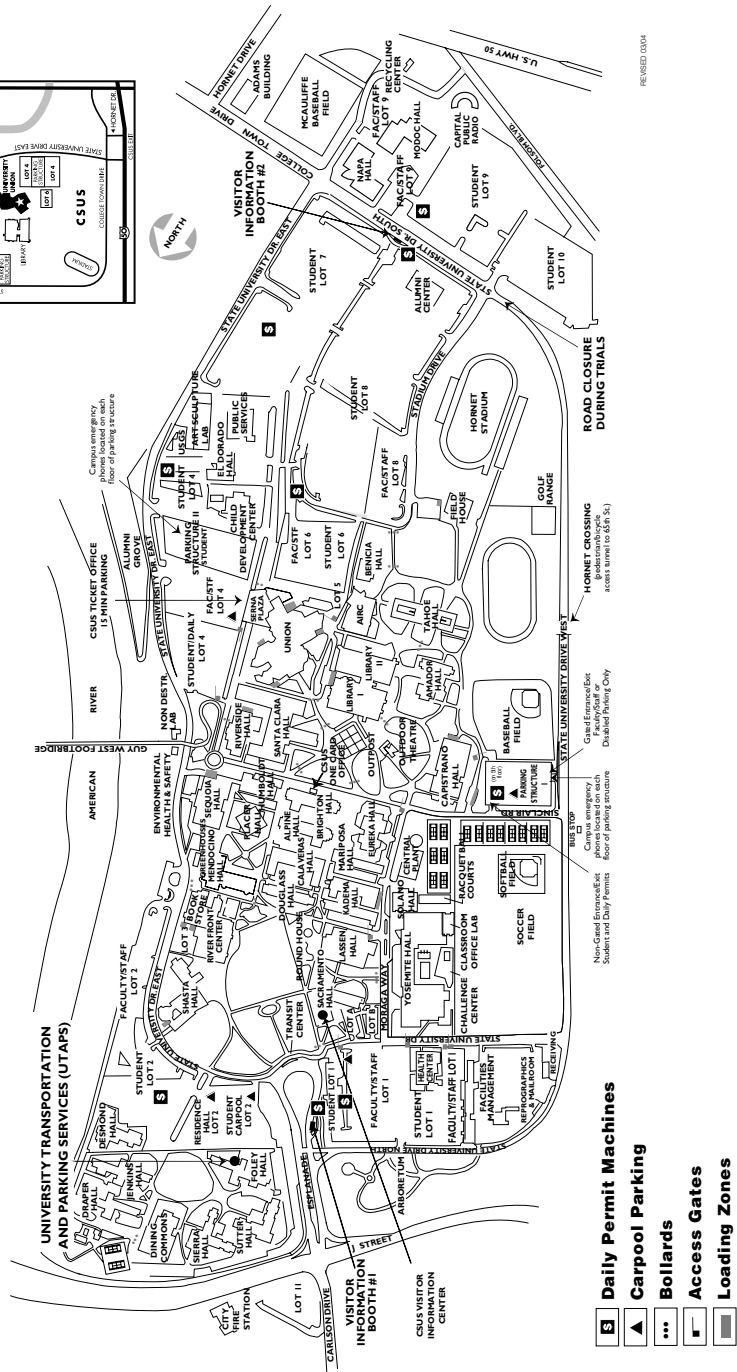
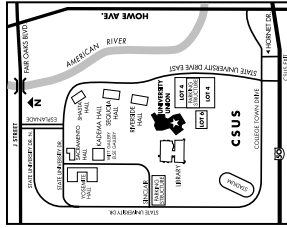
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ALL EVENTS TAKE PLACE IN THE UNIVERSITY UNION

Thursday, April 29

2-6 p.m.:

REGISTRATION – *SUMMIT ROOM, UNIVERSITY UNION, 3RD FLOOR*

2:30-4:30 p.m. – **Summit Room, University Union, 3rd Floor**

OPENING PANEL I: *BRIDGING THE GAPS AMONG STUDENTS OF AFRICAN DESCENT*

Exploring cultural identities, experiences, and relationships among students of African descent in U.S. universities: This panel brings together students from the CSUS and University of the Pacific to discuss and share their socio-cultural experiences that are an amalgamation of several factors, including racial/social/ethnic isolation, class distinctions, cultural identities, diverse historical knowledge and ignorance. This is part of the continuing dialog on “bridging the gaps” initiated by African American and African students at CSUS, toward building cross-cultural knowledge and mutual understanding.

Chair: Eddah Mutua Kombo, CSUS

PRESENTERS/DISCUSSANTS:

Kenyon Hill, CSUS; Greg Dossie, CSUS; Shani Ellington, CSUS; Regina Unimuke, CSUS; Dzifa Duose, CSUS; Moses Njuki, CSUS; Robert Cabiness, CSUS; Anthony Coleman, University of the Pacific, Stockton

4:35-6:40 p.m.

OPENING PANEL II: *THE CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS OF AFRICAN AND AFRICAN AMERICAN RELATIONS* – SUMMIT ROOM

- **Funwi Ayuninjam**, Kentucky State University, Frankfort: *Intercultural miscommunications: perceptions and misperceptions between Africans and African Americans*
- **Emma Etuk**, Alliance for Democracy, Washington, DC.: *Africans and African Americans: Historical Reflections and Contemporary Realities-the way forward*
- **Ogugua Paul**, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Nigeria: *Dialogue and involvement: A Blueprint for harmonious relations between Africans and African Americans*
- **Jude Emeka Madu**, Nnamdi Azikwe University, Awka, Nigeria: *The trado religious foundation of African identity: a matrix for viable Africa and African diaspora relationship*
- **Ogbo Ugwuanyi**, Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma, Nigeria: *Cultural Santeria: towards a cultural fusion of African and African American culture.*

Chair: Ricky Green, CSUS

6:40-7:35 p.m.

RECEPTION – *SUMMIT ROOM. Special musical demonstration by Chondo, Inc.*

Friday, April 30**8:30 a.m.**REGISTRATION – *HINDE AUDITORIUM***8:55 a.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Moderator: **Hortense Simmons**, CSUS**9 a.m.**

OPENING

Ernest Uwazie, Director, CAPCR**9:10a.m.:**

WELCOME REMARKS:

Cecil Canton, CAPCR Board Chair; **Ricky Green**, Director, Pan African Studies; **Jack Godwin**, Director, Office of Global Education; **Marilyn Hopkins**, Dean, College of Health & Human Services; **Alexander Gonzalez**, CSUS President

9:45 a.m.**V.S. Chochezi**, Straightout Scribes, Sacramento: *Poetry Reading***9:55 a.m.**

INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER

David Covin, CSUS**10 a.m.**

KEYNOTE

Dr. Maulana Karenga, CSU Long Beach: *African and African American Relations in U.S., the Americas and Africa*

11:05 a.m.KEYNOTE 2 – *HINDE AUDITORIUM***Dr. G.N .Uzoigwe**, Mississippi State University, Starkville: *Pan Africanism in World Politics***Chair: Donald Taylor**, CSUS**12:10-1:30 p.m.**LUNCH (*See list of campus eateries*)**12:30 p.m.-2 p.m.**RWANDA FULBRIGHT ORIENTATION (FOR PARTICIPANTS ONLY) – *CAMELLIA***12-6 p.m.**REGISTRATION CONTINUED – *SUMMIT ROOM***1:30-3:30 p.m**PLENARY 3: PROMOTING AFRICAN AND AFRICAN AMERICAN RELATIONS – *SUMMIT ROOM*

- **Mikhail Vishnevskiy**, Institute of African Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow: *The African American influence and U.S. foreign policy toward Africa*
- **Nina Marini**, Ashesi University, Accra, Ghana, and **Sebastian Teunissen**, UC Berkeley: *Creating educational opportunities in Ghana: the birth of Ashesi University*
- **Ogonna Anagudo Agu**, University of Calabar, Nigeria: *Filling the gap of history: The usefulness of cultivating a common and collective African experience*
- **Adewale Aderemi**, Lagos State University, Lagos, Nigeria: *The African Crisis, Development Partnerships and the African Diaspora: Constructing the synergies*
- **Gaddam Jalendar Reddy**, Osmania University College for Women, Koti Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India: *Role of African Americans in the U.S.A economy: 1865-1914*
- **Deborah LeBlanc**, National University, Los Angeles: *African American public administrators rebuilding our communities through service*

Chair: Smile Dube, CSUS**3:30-3:45 p.m.**

BREAK

*Refreshments Provided***3:45-6:30 p.m.**PLENARY 4: TEACHING AND WRITING AFRICAN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE – *SUMMIT ROOM*

- **Jamila Moore**, Tufts University: *Speaking the poem: the role of the oral poet in trans-Atlantic conversation*
- **Christopher Kuria Githiora**, Michigan State University, East Lansing: *Language attitudes towards African American vernacular English (AAVE)/U.S. Ebomics by African students at Michigan State University*
- **Evan Mwangi**, Ohio University: *Figuring the African American in African literature*
- **Mercy Ezejji**, Imo state Education Services, Owerri, Nigeria: *Examining African Americans in Nigerian secondary school literature*
- **Tiffany Willoughby-Herard**, University of California, San Diego: *The incoming of those of foreign births and strange tongue and habits for prosperity of the south*

Chair: Chaunce Ridley, CSUS**Saturday, May 1st****8 a.m.**REGISTRATION – *REDWOOD ROOM**Refreshments provided***8:30-9:30 a.m.**PLENARY 5: AFRICAN AND AFRICAN AMERICAN RELATIONS: VIEWS FROM GHANA – *REDWOOD ROOM*

PRESENTERS:

Daniel Oduro, Assemblies of God Church, Agona Swedru, Ghana, **J.A. Brown**, Assemblies of God Church, Assin Foso, Ghana, and **Kenneth Abruquah**, Foso Teachers College, Ghana

Chair: Boatamo Mosupyo, CSUS**9:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.**PLENARY 6: CONFERENCE SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION – *REDWOOD ROOM*

This panel will highlight key presentations on the conference theme and recommend practical, feasible, and relevant strategies and programs that address the future of African and African American relations.

CONCLUDING KEYNOTES:

- **Dr. Wade Nobles**, San Francisco State University: *One Africa: In Africa and throughout the world*
- **Dr. George Ayittey**, American University, Washington, D.C.: *Opportunities for economic partnership and development between Africans and African Americans*

DISCUSSANTS:

- **Maulana Karenga**, CSU-Long Beach
- **G.N. Uzoigwe**, Mississippi State University, Starkville
- **George Ayittey**, American University, Washington, D.C.
- **David Covin**, CSUS
- **Jessie Gaston**, CSUS
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- **Ahjamu Umi**, All African Peoples Revolutionary Party, Sacramento
- **Ezozo Aggripa**, Africa Diaspora Foundation, Los Angeles
- **Manny Aidam**, Ghanaian Association of Sacramento

CLOSING REMARKS:

- Ernest Uwazie**, CSUS
- Ricky Green**, CSUS
- Chair: Donald Taylor**, CSUS

6 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

AFRICA PEACE AWARDS DINNER AND DANCE

HONOREES

- Dr. Maulana Karenga**, CSU-Long Beach/Creator of KWANZAA.
- Dr. Camillus Udoffia**, OB/GYN, Kaiser Permanente, South Sacramento
- Ms. Marilyn McGinnis**, Program Manager, Oak Park Neighborhood Multi-Service Center, Sacramento

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CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

All presenters are expected to submit a revised copy of their papers in hard copy and word disk (in publishable quality) by June 24, for inclusion in the conference proceedings.

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PAST CONFERENCE THEMES AND KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

- 1992:** Africa and New World Order, Ambassador Ibrahim Gambari
- 1993:** Africa in the Diaspora: Bridging the cultures of the African Peoples, Mr. Randall Robinson
- 1994:** The African Heritage: Myths, Realities and Prospects, Dr. Molefi Asante
- 1995:** Conflict Resolution in Africa, Former Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda
- 1996:** The African Woman: An Agenda for the 21st century, Ms. Vivian Lowery Derryck
- 1997:** African/African American Organizations in US: An Agenda for Political-Economic Empowerment in 21st Century, Mr. Mel Foote
- 1998:** The African/African American Family: An Agenda for 21st century, Dr. Nkiru Nzegwu
- 1999:** Conflict Resolution and Peace Education in Africa: Lessons and Opportunities, Dr. Chris Bakwesegha
- 2000:** Africans in the Americas: Past, Present and Future, Dr. Ali Mazrui
- 2001:** Human Rights, Justice, Peace and Development in Africa, Dr. Edmond Keller
- 2002:** African Studies in California Schools, Colleges and Universities: Teaching/Thinking Across Disciplines/Programs, Dr. Molefi Asante
- 2003:** Ethnicity, Religion, and Conflict Diamonds in Africa, Dr. Charles Wedderburn

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