

The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, Conflict Resolution and Peace cordially invites you to

Beyond Diversity and Inclusion: Universities as Sites for Transformation

Keynote speaker: **Dr. Yolanda T. Moses**, Department of Anthropology,
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Tuesday, February 19, 11:00-12:30 Room (2)5701 Faculty of Social Science

Most of us who work in the higher education sector today are aware that controversy and tension currently abound on college and university campuses. From the unrest stemming from clashes over the limits of free speech, reexamined campus histories, heightened student protests, external challenges to higher education from powerful political and economic pressures, the very questioning by some publics of the value and purpose of liberal education, to name a few. More broadly, many educators observe the U.S. and world to be in a period of extreme divisiveness—torn in how we respond to issues such as the refugee crisis, global warming, increasing racial violence, and class warfare, healthcare. These highly complex issues and the results of this discord often leave students, faculty, and campus administrators in a quandary as to how to respond to these pressures. Using critical gender and race theory the author will explore these quandaries as opportunities that can help to uniquely position colleges and universities as the spaces to foster empathetic critically thinking, students who can develop the capacity to be both the local and globally minded changemakers that we need. To do that institutions must re-examine core issues of institutional identity, responsibility to our communities, both internal and external, and to be able to articulate those values and actions in multiple settings both bordered and un-bordered.

Dr. Yolanda T. Moses served as President of the American Anthropological Association (1995-97), Chair of the Board of the American Association of Colleges and Universities (2000), Past President of City University of New York/ The City College (1993-1999), and President of the American Association for Higher Education (2000-2003). She was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Ford Foundation from 1996 to 2008. She is a proud product of public higher education in California and attributes her success in part, to the excellent education that she received at San Bernardino Valley College where she received an Associate of Arts degree (1965 to 1966). "It was there that I received the best liberal arts education in the state. That higher education foundation has prepared me for the successes in my professional life to date. My professors at SBVC were caring, fantastic people who believed in me".

Please note :

This event will take place in English and will be video recorded

Participation is free, but seating is limited. Please RSVP at :

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