



Cathy Hughes School of Communication *eblasts*

****Good news on the recent accomplishments of our CHSOC faculty, staff, students, and alumni ****

February 2023

Newsday Managing Editor -- Congratulations to alumna **Rochell Bishop Sleets** of the *Chicago Tribune* who will be the next managing editor of *Newsday*, the No. 2 job in the newsroom. Sleets, has worked at the *Tribune* for 16 years and in 2020 became the first Black person to be appointed news director, one of the top three jobs in that newsroom. She will join *Newsday* on Feb. 27.



Peabody Award -- Alumna **Mary Lawrence** won a **Peabody Award** for Television Excellence for PBS NewsHour's coverage of the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol. Lawrence is only the second Black woman to direct live network evening news coverage. This year she was also nominated for a National Emmy.

The Real HU Debate -- Howard University Debate Team debated Hampton University in The Real HU Debate. The resolutions for the debate were as follows:

Immigration status should be part of the eligibility criteria for recipients of the Affordable Care Act.

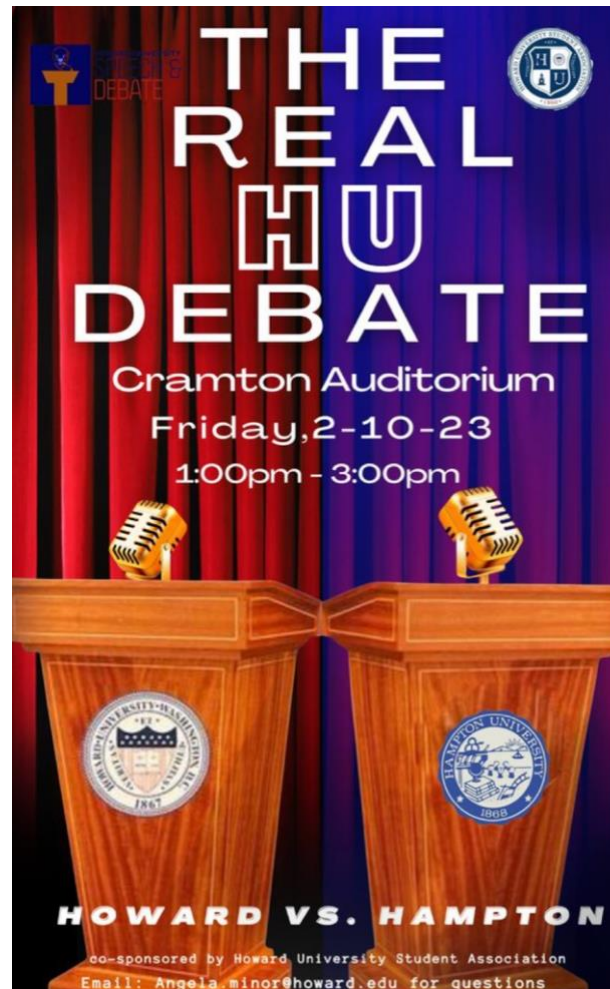
Hampton: Affirmative

Howard: Negation

This House believes that African American Studies should be implemented as part of a national curriculum.

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BEA Festival of Media Arts Winner -- Professor **Heidi Gerber-Salins** has won a national award for one of her recent works, *"Hope of Escape - Official Trailer 2 – Diana."* It has won the Award of Excellence in the **Promotional/Music Video Category** of the **Broadcast Education Association Festival of Media Arts**. She plans to accept the award at the BEA conference in April in Las Vegas, as well as participate on a panel. The video is a promotional trailer for a full-length feature film, *Hope of Escape*, that she is working on as a producer and sound designer. The film will be completed and released this year.

WDIV-TV VISIT -- The News Director and a producer with WDIV-TV, Detroit's top station, visited the School of Communications on Feb 2. They sponsored a Pizza lunch and learn for all CHSOC students. They met with students from all majors/concentrations. They also visited Dr. **Christine McWhorter** and Professor **Jennifer Thomas**' classes throughout the day.



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HOWARD UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION OF BLACK JOURNALISTS
INVITES YOU TO

LUNCH & LEARN: WITH WDIV TV GRAHAM MEDIA GROUP

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2023
12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
THE MET ROOM 100

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SHEREE CALHOUN, CONTENT PRODUCER
WDIV LOCAL 4 NEWS DETROIT

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES!



Charter Day Honoree -- Alumna **Michelle Millier** will receive the Alumni Award for Distinguished Postgraduate Achievement from the university. Miller is an award-winning journalist who is a national correspondent for CBS News and cohost of *CBS Saturday Morning*. She was selected by the alumni committee, reviewed by the President, and approved by the Board of Trustees for this honor. She will be formally recognized during the 2023 Charter Day dinner.

Black + Iconic -- Trinity Webster-Bass, a sophomore in the School of Communications, and Professor **Nikole Hannah-Jones**, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author of the *The 1619 Project* are featured in a BET video. The video can be viewed here: <https://www.bet.com/video-clips/cvo3li/black-iconic-the-new-generation-nikole-hannah-jones>

The Last Battlefront -- The feature Documentary that Professor **Maha Haddad** co-directed and edited, *The Last Battlefront: Quest for the Vote in Washington, DC*, was broadcasted on WHUT-TV!

Fixing the Racial Wealth Gap -- The Cathy Hughes School of Communications and Vice President for Students Affairs office hosted a speaker event with **Rodney Brooks** that centered on financial literacy. **Makailah Gause**, a senior broadcast journalism major, moderated the event.



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