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About the Diversity Summit

The University System of Georgia Diversity Summit is Georgia’s system-wide conference devoted to the diversity of its public colleges and universities and the system office. The conference will be held **October 27 – 28, 2010** at the Georgia Tech Hotel & Conference Center located at 800 Spring Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia.

The theme of the Summit, “Courageous Conversations,” focuses on acknowledging and valuing the diversity of our System’s students, faculty, staff and administrators. The Program will offer strategies for achieving campus diversity and equity, cultivating a climate of inclusiveness, and the tools necessary to have courageous conversations. The 2010 Diversity Summit is co-sponsored by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, Georgia College & State University and Georgia Institute of Technology.

This year’s Summit is chaired by Ms. Yves-Rose SaintDic, Director of Institutional Equity and Diversity at Georgia College & State University, with support from Dr. Felita Williams, Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

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Who should attend?

The Diversity Summit is open to Georgia’s public colleges and universities, as a whole, their academic and student service units and all their employees. Registration is required.

Registration

The Diversity Summit requires that attendees and participants *must* register for this event by October 12, 2010.



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Program

The theme of the Diversity Summit, “Courageous Conversations,” expands on the 2009 Summit participants’ stated goals of increasing mutual understanding and interconnectedness among the different groups of people on our campuses. The 2010 Summit will engage participants in courageous conversations as well as offer plans for implementing diversity awareness and progress. Participants will leave the 2010 Summit with resources that will allow campus leaders to advance diversity in their institutions.

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Wednesday, October 27, 2010

4:00 p.m.	Summit Registration and Reception
5:15 p.m.	Convener and Opening Remarks Dr. Susan Herbst , Executive Vice-Chancellor & Chief Academic Officer, University System of Georgia Welcoming Remarks Dr. Rafael Bras , Provost, Georgia Institute of Technology Chancellor Erroll B. Davis, Jr. , Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia
5:30 p.m.	Dinner Keynote Speaker Dr. Thomas Sugrue , David Boies Professor of History & Sociology, University of Pennsylvania
7:00 p.m.	Dessert & Dialogues Ms. Yves-Rose SaintDic , Director, Office of Institutional Equity and Diversity, Georgia College & State University; 2010 USG Diversity Summit Chairperson
8:30 p.m.	Adjournment

Thursday, October 28, 2010

8:30 a.m.	Convener and Summit Overview Ms. Yves-Rose SaintDic Keynote Workshop Courageous Conversations: Models & Strategies for Implementation Mr. Glenn E. Singleton , Founder and President Pacific Educational Group, Inc.
11:45	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Beyond race: What's next? Intersectional and spiritual approaches to identity, diversity, inclusion, and social transformation. Dr. Layli Maparyan , Associate Professor of Women's Studies and Associated Faculty of the Department of African American Studies, Georgia State University
2:15 p.m.	Break
2:30 p.m.	Institutional Success SoundBites

Thursday, October 28, 2010

3:00 p.m.	Faces of Diversity: The Student's Experience Ahmed Al Bayati, James Bridgeport, Melissa Couch, Jose Ibara, Jonathan Vernon Dr. Susan Herbst , Moderator
3:50 p.m.	Remarks by Regent Willis Potts 2010 Chair of the Board of Regents Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia Closing Remarks and Adjournment Dr. Susan Herbst , Executive Vice Chancellor & Chief Academic Officer



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The University System of Georgia Diversity Summit is pleased to have three keynote presentations. The keynote speakers are [Dr. Thomas Sugrue](#) - David Boies, Professor of History and Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania; [Mr. Glenn Singleton](#), President/CEO of the Pacific Educational Group, Inc. and [Dr. Layli Maparyan](#) - Associate Professor of Women's Studies and Associated Faculty of the Department of African American Studies at Georgia State University. Dr. Sugrue, Mr. Singleton and Dr. Maparyan are widely recognized as leading scholars in the areas of diversity in higher education, diverse learning environments, historical perspectives of race and ethnicity, student educational outcomes, and campus climates.

The Summit will also feature *Faces of Diversity: The Student's Experience*.

Dr. Thomas Sugrue

Thomas J. Sugrue is David Boies Professor of History and Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania. A specialist in twentieth-century American politics, urban history, civil rights, and race, Sugrue was educated at Columbia; King's College, Cambridge; and Harvard, where he earned his Ph.D. in 1992. His most recent book, **Sweet Land of Liberty: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in the North** (Random House, 2008), has been widely reviewed and was selected as a Main Selection of the History Book Club and a finalist for the 2008 Los Angeles Times Book Prize. His first book, **The Origins of the Urban Crisis** (Princeton University Press, 1996), won the Bancroft Prize in American History, the Philip Taft Prize in Labor History, the President's Book Award of the Social Science History Association, and the Urban History Association Award for Best Book in North American Urban History and was selected a Choice Outstanding Academic Book, an American Prospect On-Line Top Shelf Book on Race and Inequality, and a Lingua Franca Breakthrough Book on Race. It has been translated into Japanese. In 2005, Princeton University Press selected *The Origins of the Urban Crisis* as one of its 100 most influential books of the past one hundred years and published a new edition of *The Origins of the Urban Crisis* as a Princeton Classic.



Sugrue's newest book, **Not Even Past: Barack Obama and the Burden of Race**, will be published by Princeton University Press in 2010. He is also writing a history of twentieth-century America with Glenda Gilmore of Yale University (under contract with W.W. Norton). And he is currently engaged in a research project on race, ethnicity, and citizenship in France and the United States and spent part of June 2009 conducting research in the suburbs of Paris. His long-term research project is a history of the rise and travails of the modern American real estate industry, from the late nineteenth century to the current economic crisis. Sugrue's other books include **W.E.B. DuBois, Race, and the City: The Philadelphia Negro and its Legacy** (University of Pennsylvania Press, 1998), co-edited with Michael B. Katz and, more recently, **The New Suburban History** (University of Chicago Press, 2006) with Kevin Kruse. With Michael Kazin and Glenda Gilmore, he is co-editor of the book series **Politics and Culture in Modern America** at the University of Pennsylvania Press. Several books in the critically acclaimed series have won major prizes. Sugrue also serves on a number of other editorial boards.

Sugrue has published over 30 articles in such places as the *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Urban History*, *Labor History*, *Prospects*, *International Labor and Working-Class History*, *American Behavioral Scientist*, *Yale Journal*

of *Law and the Humanities*, *Michigan Journal of Race and the Law*, *Budapest Quarterly*, and in several edited collections on a wide range of topics including modern American culture and politics, affirmative action, twentieth-century conservatism and liberalism, race, urban economic development, suburbanization, poverty and public policy, and colonial American history. His essays and reviews have also appeared in *London Review of Books*, *The Nation*, *Dissent*, *Boston Globe*, *Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Detroit Free Press*, and *Philadelphia Inquirer*. He has also blogged on Talking Points Memo. Sugrue's essay "Affirmative Action from Below" was published in **The Best American History Essays 2006** (Palgrave Macmillan), a collection of ten essays selected from over three hundred learned and popular journals. His work has been translated into Japanese, German, French, and Hungarian.

Sugrue has won fellowships and grants from the Guggenheim Foundation, the Fletcher Foundation, the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, the American Philosophical Society, the American Council of Learned Societies, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Kellogg Foundation, and the Social Science Research Council, and has been Research Fellow in Governmental Studies at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC. He is also an invited fellow at the Center for the Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford. He has been a visiting professor at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, New York University, and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris. As a 2007 winner of the Organization of American Historians/Japanese Association of American Studies Residency, he spent part of summer 2007 at Nanzan University in Nagoya, Japan. Sugrue has also served on the boards of the American Historical Association, the Urban History Association (UHA), the Social Science History Association (SSHA), and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania (for four years as vice chair for the library), has co-chaired the program committee of the SSHA, and has served on program and prize committees for the Organization of American Historians, the Policy History Association, UHA, and SSHA.

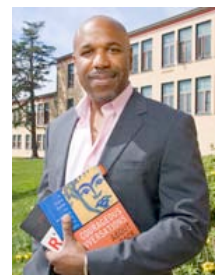
Sugrue is an award-winning teacher. His courses on America in the 1960s and on U.S. History from 1877-1933 have been selected "Hall of Fame Classes" by the *Penn Course Review* and he won the 1998 Richard Dunn Teaching Award in the Department of History. He has advised dissertations in history, social welfare, American civilization, sociology, and the history and sociology of science, and has served as an external examiner at Brown and Rutgers, and a three-time mentor for dissertation fellows at the Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. He is a member of the faculty advisory committees for the Urban Studies Program, the Penn Legal History Consortium, the Urban Education Program, the Greenfield Intercultural Center, and the Program in Non-Profits, Universities, Communities, and Schools through the Barbara and Edward Netter Center for Community Partnerships. He is also a faculty associate of the Penn Institute on Urban Research.

Outside the classroom, Sugrue combines scholarly research and civic engagement. A longtime resident of Philadelphia, Sugrue is co-chair of the board of directors of the Bread and Roses Community Fund, a foundation that supports grassroots organizations working for racial and economic equality. He also served for more than six years as Vice Chair of the Philadelphia Historical Commission, the city agency that handles preservation, planning, and development issues. Sugrue is also involved in civil rights policy locally and nationally. He served as an expert for the University of Michigan in the two federal lawsuits concerning affirmative action in its undergraduate and law school admissions, decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2003. More recently, he served as an expert witness in the voting rights case, *U.S. v. City of Euclid, Ohio*. Sugrue's scholarship was also cited by Justice Stephen Breyer in the dissenting opinion in *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District No. 1*. In July 2008, Sugrue testified before the National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

Sugrue has given nearly 250 talks to audiences at colleges and universities throughout the U.S., in Canada, Britain, Germany, France, and Japan, and to academic conferences, community groups, foundations, and religious organizations. Since 2002, he has served as an Organization of American Historians Distinguished Lecturer.

Mr. Glenn Singleton

Glenn Eric Singleton hails from Baltimore, Maryland. A product of public elementary and independent secondary school, Singleton earned his Bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his Masters degree from the Graduate School of Education at Stanford University. Singleton began his career as an Ivy League admission director. In 1992, he founded Pacific Educational Group, Inc. (PEG) to more closely support families in their transitions within and between K-12 and higher education. His company later grew into its intended mission of addressing systemic issues of educational inequity by providing guidance to districts as to how to meet the needs of underserved students of color populations.



Singleton and his associates design and deliver individualized, comprehensive support for school districts and state department offices in the form of leadership training, coaching and consulting. Working at all levels from the superintendent to beginning teachers, PEG helps educators focus on heightening their awareness of institutional racism and developing effective strategies for eliminating racial educational disparity in their schools. In 1995,

Singleton developed “Beyond Diversity,” a nationally recognized seminar aimed at helping administrators, teachers, students and parents identify, define and examine the powerful intersection of race and schooling. The “Beyond Diversity” seminar has provided a foundation for PEG-led principal leadership development and teacher action-research work. Today, thousands of seminar participants throughout the country practice the agreements and conditions of “Courageous Conversation” as they struggle to usher in culturally proficient curriculum, instruction and assessment.

In 2003, Singleton was the recipient of the National School Public Relations Association Eugene T. Carothers Human Relations Award for outstanding service in the fields of human rights and human relations. He has appeared on ABC’s “Good Morning America,” has hosted and produced educational programs for cable access television, and has written numerous articles on the topics of equity, institutional racism, leadership and staff development for national journals, magazines and newspapers. He is also the author of a book entitled *Courageous Conversations About Race: A Strategy for Achieving Equity in Schools*. Since its publication in 2006, the book has earned a “Book of the Year” award from the National Staff Development Council and “One Million Dollar Author” recognition from Corwin Press.

Since 2004, Singleton has served as an adjunct professor of educational leadership at San José State University. His graduate level courses provide a way for educators to develop the will, skill, knowledge and capacity to lead for racial equity. He has also previously taught at the University of California, Berkeley on the topic of equity in education. Singleton is a nationally recognized keynote speaker and consultant to a variety of school reform and support provider organizations and educational consortia. In 2009, Singleton was selected to serve on the California State Board of Education’s African American Advisory Committee, where he is charged with helping shape policies for providing equitable education for the state’s lowest-performing students.

Singleton currently resides in San Francisco, California. He is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Bay Area Coalition of Equitable Schools. Singleton is the founder of the Foundation for a College Education (FCE) and currently serves on the FCE Advisory Board.

Dr. Layli Maparyan

Layli Maparyan is Associate Professor of Women’s Studies and Associated Faculty of the Department of African American Studies at Georgia State University. In 2006, she published *The Womanist Reader* (Routledge), which documents the first 25 years of womanist thought and is the first-ever book to focus on womanism on its own. Her next book, *The Womanist Idea* (Routledge), is slated to appear in December 2011. She is a womanist in all senses of the word, bringing scholarship, community work, and spiritual practice together in ways that impact the well-being of everyday people and the societal and environmental contexts of life. Her current scholarly interests include applied womanism and spiritual activism as emerging forms of social change work. This past June, Prof. Maparyan was invited to the Salzburg Global Seminar’s Annual Board of Directors Weekend to address the theme, “One world, diverse faiths: How far can different religious traditions come together in support of a sustainable world, artistic creativity and the pursuit of peace?” In 2007-08, she co-taught a 10-week community course entitled “World Religions and Women’s Economic Empowerment: Womanist, Feminist, Sacred, and Secular Perspectives” with Prof. Laurie Patton of Emory University’s Department of Religion. Based on this course, she co-hosted a 10-part television series entitled *Faith and Feminism*, created by Emmy award-winning producer Angela Harrington Rice for Atlanta Interfaith Broadcasters (AIB-TV). Currently, she hosts a new spirituality-focused current affairs talk show called *The Circle*, which airs monthly on AIB-TV. Since March 2009, she has worked with the University of Liberia in West Africa to develop its inaugural Gender Studies Program, serving as a Fulbright Specialist in Liberia during July and August of this year. She chairs the University Consortium for Liberia, a statewide network of educational institutions with current or projected projects in Liberia, founded by GSU alum and current Honorary Consul General for the Republic of Liberia, State of Georgia, Cynthia Blandford Nash. Prof. Maparyan obtained a Ph.D. in psychology from Temple University, an M.S. in psychology from Penn State; and a B.A. from Spelman College, where she majored in philosophy. She has worked extensively within the University System of Georgia over the past 17 years developing new multicultural courses that cover race, gender, sexuality, religion/spirituality, and other social identities and, more importantly, their essential interconnections.



Beyond Race: What's Next (Presentation by Dr. Layli Maparyan)

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