



School of Education unveils Trailblazers Wall

Over Charter Day weekend, the School of Education community gathered to unveil a new installation in the school building honoring trailblazers who broke barriers at William & Mary and within the field of education and opened doors for generations of future educators. The three inaugural honorees on the Trailblazers Wall are Hulon L. Willis, Sr. M.Ed. '56; Janet Brown Strafer '71, M.A.Ed. '77, D.Sc. '18; and Jo Lynne DeMary '68, Ed.D. '82. [More.](#)

FROM THE DEAN



We gathered recently to honor three of our school community's [trailblazers](#)—individuals whose uncommon courage and tenacity helped them break boundaries and pave the way for generations of educators to follow.

We find ourselves in another time that requires courage in public education. William & Mary was founded as an institution where the greatest minds gathered to study complex problems of a diverse society and to disseminate knowledge to inform solutions to those problems for the benefit of the Commonwealth, the region and the nation. It is my earnest hope that we all draw strength from the courage of these and other trailblazers and that we have the grace, dignity and humility to advance public discourse and find solutions to our current struggles.

— Dean Rob Knoeppel

NEWS & NOTES



Williamsburg Bray School project awarded \$5M from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation's Monuments Project

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has awarded a \$5-million grant supporting the Williamsburg Bray School Project, an initiative spearheaded by The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation and William & Mary. [More.](#)



Leaders, W&M students bring local Black history to K-12 curriculum

A partnership between two William & Mary faculty members and local educational group The Village Initiative morphed from a community-engaged course into a project that is allowing local leaders and W&M students to bring Black history to the Williamsburg community and K-12 students. [More.](#)



W&M faculty launch new open-access journal devoted to the psychology of giftedness

For years, research in gifted education has centered on achievement and educational practice but lacked in the psychology of giftedness. W&M faculty members Tracy Cross and Jennifer Riedl Cross are founding a new journal to make research on the psychology and well-being of individuals with gifts and talents accessible to academics, parents, professional educators and counselors. [More.](#)



W&M's Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation launches new professional learning platform

The Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation (STLI) at William & Mary recently launched STLI Academy, a professional learning platform, offering on-demand courses with opportunities to earn micro-credentials for faculty, staff and university partners. [More.](#)

DEI SPOTLIGHT



Graduate Research Symposium

2nd Annual Graduate Student Symposium on Racial and Social Justice

April 1, 2022

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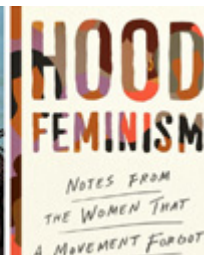


SOE DEI Book Discussion

Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women That a Movement Forgot by Mikki Kendall

April 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

[Register now](#)



Lemon Project Spring Symposium

The Time is Now: The Lives of Black Men Past, Present, and Future

March 25-26, 2022

[Learn more](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS



Mar. 14-18: Spring Break

Mar. 25: [Modern Languages and Literatures–Diversity Story Exchange Workshop](#)

Mar. 25-26: [12th Annual Lemon Project Spring Symposium](#)

Mar. 30: [Teaching & Learning Talk | Virtual Reality: Moving Away From Chocolate-Covered Broccoli](#)

April 1: [Day for Admitted Students](#)

April 1: [2nd Annual Graduate Student Symposium on Racial and Social Justice](#)

April 12: [One Tribe One Day](#)

April 13: [Lemon's Legacies Porch Talk–Reflecting & Planting Seeds: A Conversation with Arielle Newby, M.Ed](#)

April 14: [DEI Book Discussion: Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women that a Movement Forgot](#)



New neighbors, new partnership

Residents and businesses are moving into Midtown Row, a new residential, retail and entertainment district just down the street at the corner of Richmond Road and Monticello Ave. We've launched a partnership with Current Midtown Apartments to offer our graduate students a unique living-learning community experience. [Learn more.](#)

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