

The background features a light blue gradient sky. In the lower half, there are dark grey silhouettes of a landscape. On the left, a building with a pointed roof is visible. In the center, there are several trees with large, flat, umbrella-like canopies. On the right, another building with a gabled roof is shown. A small black square icon with a white play button symbol is positioned in the center of the image, overlapping the trees.

Race & Reconciliation Initiative

The Charge

“...to study TCU’s own experiences with racism, slavery and the Confederacy.”

First year will focus primarily upon Black Americans, with plans to study other -- and intersectional -- identities in subsequent years.

Initial Steps

- Affiliated with Universities Studying Slavery
- Erected signage next to Founders' Statue to encourage campus engagement about TCU's history
- Appointed chair and members of committee

The Committee



Dr. Frederick Gooding, Jr, chair (JVRHC)

Dr. Sue Anderson, professor, College of Education (COE)

Jean Marie Brown, assistant professor of professional practice of journalism (COM)

Dr. Alan Gallay, Lyndon B. Johnson Chair in American history (ADRN)

Dr. Lynn Hampton, assistant professor of professional practice in Soc (HCOL)

Dr. Sarah Robbins, Lorraine Shirley Professor of American literature (ADRN)

Dr. Scott Kurashige, professor of CRES (SIS)

Dr. Jacque Lambiase, professor of strategic communication (COM)

Adam McKinney, assistant professor of dance (FINE)

Dr. Trung Nguyen, interim assistant vice chancellor of student affairs

Clifford Harrell, assistant athletics director of academic services

Tracy Renee Williams, president of TCU National Alumni Board

Bryan King, TCU Board of Trustees

Leslie Epke, graduate student representative (COE)

Tosin Alao, undergraduate representative (ADRN)

Ex Officio

Holly Ellman, Marketing and Communications

Mary Saffell, Mary Coutts Burnett Library

Dr. Claire Sanders, Provost's Office

Dr. Karen Steele, Provost's Office

Tracy Syler-Jones, Marketing and Communications

Aisha Torrey-Sawyer, Office of Diversity and Inclusion

How to get involved

<https://www.tcu.edu/race-reconciliation-initiative/index.php>

Sign up here if you would like to be considered to **join** a working group:

First Name*

Last Name*

Email Address*

Current Role*

Message

Let us know how you would like to participate.



Schedule of Campus Engagement

Monthly Virtual Town Hall Meetings for Fall 2020

August 27 **Meet the Race & Reconciliation Initiative Members**

3:00 pm

Obj: to introduce committee, provide updates, and invite campus participation

September 24

3:30 pm

We Stand on the Shoulders Of....

Obj: to discuss TCU community past efforts to recognize TCU's diverse histories

October

TCU Founders' Statue

Obj: to engage in civil dialogue on the history of the founders and the symbolism of the statue

November

How and Why Not to be Afraid of the Past

Obj: to hear from USS partners on their processes and discoveries

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September Virtual Town Hall Meeting

September 24
3:30 pm

We Stand on the Shoulders Of....

Obj: to discuss TCU community past efforts to recognize TCU's diverse histories

Panelists: Jacque Lambiase, chair and professor of Strategic Communication; Nino Testa, associate director of Women & Gender Studies; Scott Langston, instructor of Religion and Native American Nations and Communities Liaison; Adam McKinney, assistant professor of Dance; Santiago Piñon, associate professor of Religion and director of Latinx Studies.

Registration Link: https://tcu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_U_mqYMVBROqQz7UYLJHfRQ

Phases of Work

- Affiliate with Universities Studying Slavery
- Study the university's historical connections to racism, slavery and the Confederacy
- Grapple with our history publicly
- Share our history
- Recommend steps towards reconciliation and healing
- Develop outgrowth initiatives and structures for sustained engagement on race @ TCU

Questions?

