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The 5th Global Academic Conference (New Orleans) October 27 - 31, 2021

The World Association for Academic Doctors, founded by Dr. Henrietta Okoro, converged in New Orleans under the auspices of the Dillard University Center for Racial Justice, on October 27-31, 2021, for the Inaugural World Congress Conference. The conference was well attended and reached out to students across the nation who have created a change movement in America. However, there was less international representation due to the pandemic, which WAAD's clear focus and vision will reinforce during the 2023 Conference.

The main theme and the highlights of various research areas for the 2021 WAAD Conference were: The Threat of Contagious Diseases to Global Economies and Racial Inequality: Critical Issues and Ways Forward.

The conference was declared open by the Dance Superwoman from Dillard University Diamonds Team led by Alicia Keys and Dr. Jana Myers- Smith (Advisor). Researchers from all walks of life presented their research ranging from Black Citizenship, Ethics and Healthcare Decision-Making Process, Education & Health Disparities in School, Global disease, Information Governance, Covid related issues, Fairness in Eminent Domain, Social Justice,21st Century education Reform, Contingencies & Boundaries faced by female managers, Promoting College Access and Success, Bioterrorism, instructional Redesign, Contagious Disease approach, A revived Curriculum, and student poster presentations!

Please note that the students' final presentation was an optimistic tribute to their organized student movement guided by the Center for Racial Justice. This was a remarkable display of how student movements are borne in America. The student leader presented well and articulated the presentation, aiming to reach out to other colleges, political leaders, and major organizations, including WAAD, to make their movement a success next year (2022) in Washington, DC. They intend to



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take their concerns to the forefront of the President and Congress. The emergent topics from presenters at the conference were:

- ❖ The Historical use of Westphalian sovereignty to Deny Black Citizenship
- Ethics and Healthcare Administrators' Decision-Making: The Symphonological Bioethical Framework
- A Multilevel Approach to addressing educational and health disparities in schools: The encouraging science of cultural adaptation
- The Threat of Global Disease in Seeking More Racially Equitable Trade
- ❖ Mitigating Information Governance Challenges in the Global Economy
- Managing Diverse Talents and Yielding Positive Results during a Pandemic and Natural Disaster
- Understanding Perceived Fairness in Eminent Domain: The Case of Texas Energy Pipelines
- ❖ In Pursuit of Social Justice: Designing Sentences for Driving while Intoxicated (DWI) and Driving While Under the Influence (DUI Research) Offenders
- ❖ 21st Century Education Reform: High School Students Perspectives Post the Pandemic.
- Contingencies and Boundaries Faced by Female Managers/ Supervisor Seeking Promotions in their Automotive Manufacturing Units: A Narrative Research
- Promoting College Access and Success
- Bioterrorism-Understanding Global Threats
- An Interdisciplinary Approach to Instructional Redesign, Advancing Educational Opportunities Within Fragile Communities for Student Veterans at HBCUs
- Conflict Resolution Strategies: Recipes for Peace
- ❖ A Rawlsian Approach to Addressing Contagious Disease
- Student Movement: The Ride Revived Curriculum and Poster Presentations

The conference's overall goal was to bring awareness to the impact of contagious diseases in our economy and increase advocacy for racial equality in our personal and professional endeavors to minimize its impact in the world.

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