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Diverse: Issues In Higher Education Magazine Profiles Top Emerging Scholars


The January 25, 2018 edition will profile 15 scholars from around the country, most of them under 40, who are making their mark in the academy through teaching, research and service. These outstanding scholars serve as an inspiration to both students and colleagues.

The 2018 Emerging Scholars are:

Prof. E. Tendayi Achiume, Acting Professor of Law, University of California, Los Angeles
Dr. Albert Bimper, Senior Associate Athletic Director and Associate Professor, Ethnic Studies, Colorado State University
Dr. Tommy J. Curry, Professor, Philosophy, Texas A&M University
Dr. Carl DuPont, Assistant Professor of Voice, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Dr. Anjali Forber-Pratt, Assistant Professor of Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University
Dr. Padmaja Guggilla, Associate Professor, Physics, Alabama A&M University
Dr. Larissa Mercado-Lopez, Associate Professor, Women’s Studies Program, California State University, Fresno
Dr. Ravi Perry, Associate Professor, Political Science, Virginia Commonwealth University
Dr. Steve Ramirez, Assistant Professor, Psychological & Brain Sciences, Boston University
Dr. Onnie Rogers, Assistant Professor, Psychology, Northwestern University
Dr. Tarissa Spoonhunter, Assistant Professor, American Indian Studies, Central Wyoming College
Dr. Marina Suarez, Associate Professor, Geological Sciences, University of Texas, San Antonio
Dr. Efrain Talamantes, Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine, University of California, Davis
Dr. Heather Washington, Assistant Professor, Sociology, West Virginia University
Dr. InJeong Yoon, Assistant Professor, Art, University of Arkansas

About Emerging Scholars:

Diverse, then Black Issues In Higher Education, first published its Emerging Scholars edition in 2002. It has remained one of the magazine’s most popular editions since its inception. Diverse editors select honorees from a pool of candidates recommended by various scholars, department chairs, university public information officers and others.

The selection is based on each scholar’s research, educational background, publishing record, teaching record, competitiveness of field of study, and uniqueness of field of study. Each selected leader has demonstrated perseverance, tenacity and has had broad impact on the academy and beyond.

The announcement of the 2018 Class of Emerging Scholars will take place in the January 25, 2018, edition of Diverse.

For three decades, Diverse: Issues In Higher Education has been America’s premier source of timely news, provocative commentary, insightful interviews and in-depth special reports on diversity in higher education. Savvy individuals who appreciate the crucial and ever-changing role that higher education plays in the lives of students, professionals, their families and their communities make reading Diverse a regular habit.

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