Faculty of Color: Benefits, Challenges, and Future Directions

This presentation will highlight current and emerging research on faculty of color in academe. Dr. Wood will discuss the benefits of faculty of color to the students, communities, and institutions that they serve. His presentation will also address challenges to faculty of color representation and incorporation in the academy. In covering these topics, Wood will facilitate a dialogue on how faculty, administrators, and students can best support the success of Black, Latino, Native American, and Asian faculty members.

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