



SPRING 2010 EVENTS

Founded in 2000 by Walter Stafford, as part of the Roundtable of Institutions of People of Color, the Women of Color Policy Network, an affiliate of the Research Center for Leadership in Action at the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, NYU is the country's only research and policy institute focusing on women of color at a nationally ranked top ten public policy school. The Network conducts original research and collects critical data on women of color that is used to inform public policy outcomes at the local, state and national levels. The Network also serves as a hub for women of color scholars, leaders and practitioners.

TANF REAUTHORIZATION: THE FUTURE OF TANF AND SOCIAL SAFETY NETS IN AMERICA

February 16, 2010 • 6:00pm- 8:00pm

THE GRADUATE CENTER, THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
365 FIFTH AVENUE NY, NY

In September 2010, Congress will reauthorize the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families or "TANF" and have the opportunity to strengthen the economic security and well-being of women and children. Reauthorization comes at a time when many families are struggling to make ends meet, the national unemployment rate continues to climb and the number of women and families living at or below the federal poverty line is increasing. Join us for a moderated discussion between Margaret Simms, Senior Fellow at the Urban Institute and Avis Jones-Deweever of NCNW's Research, Public Policy, and Information Center to explore the goals and priorities for reauthorization and what must be done to improve the safety net for women and families.

Co Sponsored by the Legal Momentum and the McSilver Institute for Poverty, Policy, & Research at the Silver School of Social Work, NYU

THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN AMERICA: THE IMPACT OF RACE AND CLASS ON EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT, OPPORTUNITY AND ACCESS IN THE UNITED STATES

A THREE-PART LECTURE SERIES AND DISCUSSION

March 19 • March 22 • March 26

Nearly a decade after the passage of the No Child Left Behind Act, the federal legislation that promised reform and accountability for the American education system, many Urban cities continue to be plagued by failing schools, high dropout rates and poor performance across the board. This three-part series sponsored by the Women of Color Policy Network at New York University's Robert F. Wagner's Graduate School of Public Service will explore what it will really take to reform the public education system in America and prepare students to compete in a global economy.

BMCC BREAKFAST BRIEFING: YOUNG WOMEN OF COLOR AND SUCCESS IN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

March 19, 2010

ON UNEQUAL GROUND: COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, EDUCATIONAL DISPARITIES AND CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN URBAN CITIES

March 22, 2010 • 6:30pm-8:30pm

In Urban schools, high school graduation rates are 15 percentage points lower than schools located in the suburbs. And in cities with large concentrations of working class and poor residents, the graduation rates continue to be substantially lower by over fifty percent. This panel of leading experts will explore the impact of race and socioeconomic status on educational achievement and outcomes. Panelists will also discuss historic barriers and challenges to success and access and strategies for alleviating educational disparities.

CHARTING EQUITY: CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THE FUTURE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLING IN AMERICA

March 31, 2010 • 6:30pm-8:30pm

In the 1990s Charter schools emerged as the answer to failing public schools in urban cities. Most recently, President Obama called charter schools a strategy to promote excellence and innovation in public education. This panel will map the growth of the Charter school movement in the United States; explore the impact of Charter schools on communities and the public education system; and probe whether or not they are the answer to reform a failing system.

ADDITIONAL UPCOMING EVENTS:

NYU MCSILVER POVERTY CENTER & WOMEN OF COLOR POLICY NETWORK JOINT SYMPOSIUM

EVENT • April 13, 2010 • 9:00am-3:00pm

A MEASURE OF POVERTY: WHAT WILL IT REALLY TAKE TO MOVE FAMILIES OUT OF POVERTY?

• April 22, 2010 • 6:30pm-8:30pm

RACE AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

April 27, 2010 • 8:30am-12:00pm

STUDENTS OF COLOR END OF YEAR RECEPTION

May 6, 2010 • 4:00pm-6:00pm

Join NYU Wagner Dean Ellen Schall, faculty, students, alumni and the staff of the Women of Color Policy Network to celebrate the end of the year. The cost is free for Wagner students. To reserve your place at the table, visit <http://wagner.nyu.edu/events/> space is limited. Deadline to RSVP is Tuesday, April 28, 2009.*

*Cost for Wagner Women of Color Alumni to attend is \$20. Location: NYU Torch Club is located at 18 Waverly Place, New York, NY 10003.

FOR ALL EVENTS. PLEASE RSVP AT:

wagner.nyu.edu/events

ALL EVENTS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, WILL TAKE PLACE IN: The Puck Building, Rudin Family Forum, 2nd Floor. 295 Lafayette Street NY, NY 10012 NYU Wagner