

The Department of Africana Studies
Research Symposium
Campus Center Assembly Hall
April 16, 2008

8:45 Registration
Light Breakfast Refreshments Provided

9:15 Welcome – Dr. Marcia Sutherland
Associate Professor and Department Chair

9:20 – 12:00 Session One – Faculty Panel
Moderator – Rashida Tyler

Dr. Kwadwo Sarfoh “Water Privatization in Africa”
Associate Professor

Dr. Oscar Williams “Northern Captivity: Slavery
Associate Professor in the Capital City 1624-1872”

Dr. Berhane Araia “Modeling Cultural Correlates of HIV Risk
Behavior in Africa Using Demographic Surveys”

Dr. Marcia Sutherland “Nonverbal Behavior Among
Department Chair and People of African Descent”
Associate Professor

12:00 – 1:00 Break for Lunch
Refreshments Provided

1:00 – 3:50 Session 2 – Graduate Student Panel
Moderator – Shantala Thompson

Rita Ogburn-McCall “The History of the African American Theatre”

Sardana Nikolaeva “The Search for Identity: National and Racial
Discourses in African Folklore”

Walter Simpkins “Africana Studies and Community Development”

Rashida Tyler “Gentrification in Urban Communities”

Michael Wilson “Analyzing the Relationship Between Abstract
Expressionism and Black Artists Between 1940 –
1960”

3:50 – 4:00 Closing Remarks - Dr. Marcia Sutherland
Associate Professor and Department Chair

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