

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

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1996	Gerald Early, Ph.D.
1997	Claude H. Organ, Jr. M.D.
1998	Alvin Poussaint, M.D.
1999	Harry Wu
2000	Christopher Edley, Jr.
2001	Mary Frances Berry, Ph.D.
2002	Elena Rios, M.D., M.S.P.H.
2003	Juan Williams
2004	Manning Marable, Ph.D.
2005	Freeman Hrabowski III, Ph.D.
2006	Ellis Cose
2007	Patricia Williams, J.D.
2008	Angela Oh, J.D.
2009	William Julius Wilson, Ph.D.
2010	Johnnetta B. Cole, Ph.D.
2011	Charles Ogletree, J.D.
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2015	Charles Stith

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Lecture

Monday, January 18, 2016
4:00 p.m.

Washington University School of Medicine
Eric P. Newman Education Center
320 South Euclid Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63110

“The Black Image in the White Mind: Implications for Achieving Racial Equity in America”

Guest Speaker:

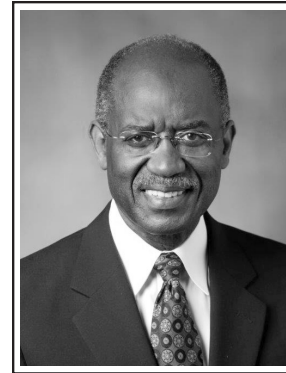
Sherman James, Ph.D.

Research Professor of Epidemiology and
African American Studies
Emory University

Presented by Washington University School of Medicine
Office of Diversity Programs

Program

- Welcome/Introduction** **Will Ross, M.D., M.P.H.**
Associate Dean for Diversity
Office of Diversity Programs
- Remarks** **Mark S. Wrighton, Ph.D.**
Chancellor, Washington University in St. Louis
- Introduction of Sherman James** **David Perlmutter, M.D.**
Executive Vice Chancellor and Dean for Medical Affairs
Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine
- “The Black Image in the White Mind: Sherman James, Ph.D.***
Implications for Achieving Research Professor of Epidemiology
Racial Equity in America” and African American Studies, Emory University
- Question & Answer Session..... Audience**



A social epidemiologist, Sherman James is currently a Research Professor of Epidemiology and African American Studies at Emory University. He assumed this position on July 1, 2014 after retiring from Duke University on June 30, 2014. At Duke, he was the Susan B. King Distinguished Professor of Public Policy (2003-2014) and also held professorships in Sociology, Community and Family Medicine, and African and African American Studies. Prior to Duke, he taught in the epidemiology departments at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (1973-89), and the University of Michigan (1989-03). At Michigan, he was the John P. Kirscht Collegiate Professor of Public Health, the Founding Director of the Center for Research on Ethnicity, Culture and Health (CRECH), Chair of the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, and a Senior Research Scientist in the Survey Research Center at the Institute for Social Research.

James received the AB degree (Psychology and Philosophy) from Talladega College (AL) in 1964, and the PhD degree in Psychology from Washington University in St. Louis, in 1973. James is the originator of the John Henryism Hypothesis which posits that repetitive, “high-effort” coping with social and economic adversity is a major contributor to the well-known excess risk for hypertension and related cardiovascular diseases experienced by poor and working class African Americans. He received a 5 year (1982-87) Research Career Development Award, followed by over 20 years of continuous funding, from the National Institutes of Health to support his work on John Henryism.

James was elected to the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine) of the National Academy of Sciences, in 2000. In 2001, he received the Abraham Lilienfeld Award from the Epidemiology section of the American Public Health Association for career excellence in the teaching of epidemiology. In 2008, he received a 5 year, Health Policy Investigator Award from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He is a fellow of the American Epidemiological Society, the American College of Epidemiology, the American Heart Association, and the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research. In 2007-08, he served as president of the Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER), the largest professional organization of epidemiologists in the world. In 2008, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Washington University in St. Louis, and he currently serves on Washington University’s National Advisory Council for Arts and Sciences.

In 2015 he was selected as a Mahatma Ghandi Fellow by the American Academy of Political and Social Science, The Fellows Program recognizes distinguished contributions to scholarship and public policy.