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A DAY OF CULTURE, CONNECTION AND CELEBRATION AT BENNETT'S CULTURAL EXPO

On April 23, 2025, the Bennett College Center for Global Studies hosted its Annual Cultural Expo, offering the campus community a vibrant day of cultural exchange and hands-on experiences.

Students, faculty, and staff enjoyed a variety of engaging activities—from intricate henna tattoos by Arabic Fulbright professor Fatima Khay to a lively Afro-fusion dance workshop led by Zodwa Dance Co. The energy continued with a spirited game of kickball, bringing fun and friendly competition outdoors.

Throughout the event, attendees explored opportunities for meaningful global engagement and learned about international programs they could participate in.
For more information on upcoming events or study abroad opportunities, contact Sarah Akiwumi at sakiwumi@bennett.edu.







EMPOWERING THE HBCU LEGACY: HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2025 NAC LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The 2025 National Alumni Council (NAC) and Pre-Alumnae/Alumni Council Leadership Conference held February 1–4 in Memphis, Tennessee, brought together alumni, students, and advocates from across the country for a dynamic and inspiring event. Hosted by the United Negro College Fund (UNCF), the annual conference is a cornerstone of NAC's mission—blending leadership development, advocacy, networking, and philanthropy.

This signature gathering connects alumni and current HBCU students, encouraging collaboration, sharing of experiences, and strategic discussions on strengthening alumni support. It also provides a meaningful space for alumni to reconnect with their alma maters while empowering students to learn from those who've paved the way, continuing a legacy of excellence and opportunity.

Highlights included workshops and panels on fundraising, student engagement, leadership, and political advocacy. Joint sessions encouraged collaboration between alumni and current students, fostering mentorship and shared strategies. Attendees also had the chance to network with representatives from UNCF's 37 member institutions and community leaders.

More than just a conference, this gathering served as a powerful platform to strengthen the HBCU legacy and community. The 2026 conference will be held in Houston, TX, with Ms. Johnson joining the National Planning Committee. For more information, contact Yolande Johnson at yjohnson@bennett.edu.





CAMPUS SECURITY ENHANCED WITH NEW CAMERA INSTALLATIONS

We're pleased to share two important updates as part of our continued commitment to campus safety and security.

First, we've expanded our physical security footprint with the installation of new door access controls. These upgrades help ensure that only authorized individuals can enter designated areas, enhancing safety and providing greater peace of mind for our students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

Additionally, Phase Two of the Surveillance Camera Project is now underway. New cameras are being installed in key locations across campus, including Goode Gymnasium, Catchings Complex, Merner Hall, and Pfeiffer Hall. By increasing camera coverage in high-traffic and residential areas, we're improving our ability to monitor activity, respond swiftly to incidents, and create a safer environment for all.

These proactive enhancements are designed to deter potential threats and support a secure, welcoming campus for every member of our community. For more information, please contact Jermaine Thomas at jermaine.thomas@bennett.edu.





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