2011 UCEA Convention Keynote Speakers

**General Session 1: Featuring Brock Prize in Education Lecture Dr. Laureate Lawrence Lezotte**

Time: Thu, Nov 17 - 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Lawrence Lezotte, Ph.D. has devoted his career to helping national education consultant for Effective Schools Products, Ltd. Lezotte is known as the preeminent spokesperson for continuous school improvement based on effective schools research. In recognition of his efforts, Lezotte received the 2003 Council presented each year to outstanding Americans who have made a difference in education. “Lezotte’s research on effective schools proves that we can do things much better than we used to,” said Sue Cleveland, Ed.D., superintendent for the Rio Rancho Public School District in New Mexico and member of the Brock Prize jury who nominated Lezotte. “He has helped educators at all levels to think differently about school reform and he has changed the entire landscape of what we mean by continuous school improvement.” Lezotte earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Western Michigan University and a doctorate degree from Michigan State University.

**General Session 2: UCEA Presidential Address by Dr. Autumn Tooms**

Time: Fri, Nov 18 - 9:40am - 11:00am

This year's Presidential Address, entitled "Leadership Legacies", will be delivered by Autumn Tooms, Professor and Director of The Center For Educational Leadership at the University of Tennessee. Tooms received her doctorate from Arizona Sate University. Prior to joining academe, she served as a biology/chemistry teacher and school administrator at the Elementary, Middle, and High School level in Phoenix, Arizona. Her research has centered on the politics of school leadership and school reform with an area of emphasis on the principalship. Autumn’s primary area of interest is centered on building bridges between schools, those who lead schools, and those who prepare aspiring leaders. In addition to her books, Autumn’s work can be found in journals such as Educational Administration Quarterly, Kappan, Educational Leadership, The Journal of Cases in Educational Leadership, Education Policy, School Leadership and Management, and The Journal of School Leadership. She has been involved with UCEA for over ten years and served as PSR for Kent State University.

**General Session 3: Wallace Town Hall**

Time: Fri, Nov 18 - 2:30pm - 3:50pm
This town hall session will focus on the Wallace Foundation’s new initiative to help six urban school districts and partner principal training programs develop a much larger corps of effective school principals and to determine whether and how such partnerships improve student achievement in schools with the greatest needs. The new “principal pipeline” initiative takes previous Wallace research and development efforts an important step further. Participants will share their perspectives on the importance of a pipeline, discuss the importance of district conditions and quality preparation for leadership success, and share the key elements of their work and lessons learned.

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**General Session 4: In Honor of the UCEA Barbara L. Jackson Scholars Address by Dr. George Yancy**

Time: Fri, Nov 18 - 5:30pm - 6:30pm

George Yancy, Associate Professor of Philosophy, works primarily in the areas of critical race theory, critical whiteness studies, and philosophy and the Black experience. He is particularly interested in the formation of African-American philosophical thought as articulated within the social context and historical space of anti-Black racism, African-American agency, and identity formation. His current philosophical project explores the theme of racial embodiment, particularly in terms of how white bodies live their whiteness unreflectively vis-à-vis the interpellation and deformation not only of the black body, but the white body, the philosophical identity formation of whites, and questions of white privilege and power formation. As Co-Editor of The American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Philosophy and the Black Experience, he firmly believes in the significance of black philosophical voices, and black knowledge production, as sites of conceptual and existential transformative possibilities.

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**General Session 5: Pennsylvania State Mitsifier Lecturer Dr. Jackie M. Blount**

Time: Sat, Nov 19 - 11:10am - 12:30pm

Jackie M. Blount, Professor in the School of Educational Policy and Leadership, serves as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in the College of Education and Human Ecology at The Ohio State University. Her scholarship includes the books Fit to Teach: Same-Sex Desire, Gender, and Schoolwork in the Twentieth Century (SUNY, 2005), Destined to Rule the Schools: Women and the Superintendancy, 1873-1995 (SUNY, 1998), and as co-author, Radicalizing Educational Leadership: The Dimensions of Social Justice (Sense, 2008). Her articles have appeared in journals such as Review of Educational Research, Educational Administration Quarterly, and Harvard Educational Review. Currently, she is writing a biography of Ella Flagg Young, Superintendent of Chicago Schools from 1909-1915.
General Session 6: Featuring Texas A&M Social Justice Lecturer Dr. Manuel Pastor

Annual UCEA Banquet

Time: Sat, Nov 19 - 6:30pm - 10:00pm

The annual UCEA banquet is open to all ticket holding UCEA convention participants and provides an opportunity for faculty and students to enjoy the company of colleagues, network and hear internationally known scholars discuss issues critical to education, educational leadership and broader society. Dr. Manuel Pastor is Professor of Geography and American Studies & Ethnicity at the University of Southern California where he also serves as Director of USC's Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE) and co-Director of USC's Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII). Founding director of the Center for Justice, Tolerance, and Community at the University of California, Santa Cruz. In recent years, his research has focused on the economic, environmental and social conditions facing low-income urban communities in the U.S.

UCEA 2011 Convention: Plenum Open Session Wallace Panel Discussion

District Conditions that Support Effective Leadership Practice: Lessons from The Wallace Foundation

Time: Thursday, 10:00am-11:30am

Chair/Discussant: Bradley Portin

Panelists: Dan Player, Darden-Curry Partnership in Leadership Education; Meredith Honig, University of Washington; Karen Seashore, University of Minnesota; Andrea Rorrer, University of Utah

In this presentation, panelists will share their research findings and examine district-level conditions that improve the effectiveness of school principals. The panelists will also discuss how to develop effective university-district preparation partnerships.

UCEA 2011 Convention: Wallace Workshop-Leveraging Program Change with Data

Using Data to Spark Program Change

Time: Sunday, November 20, 2011 - 10:00am -12:00 pm

Moderator: Mark Gooden

Presenters: Susan Korach, National Evaluation Center for Educational Leadership Preparation and Practice, Anne O Dougherty, University of Texas-Austin; Pam Tucker and Ranjini JohnBull, University of Virginia
In this session, panelists will share a variety of assessment tools to improve principal programs. Susan Korach will discuss how to talk to faculty about improving their programs based on QM and VAL-ED data, in conjunction with the School Leadership Preparation and Practice Survey (SLPPS) program evaluation survey data. Anne O’Dougherty, Pamela Tucker and Rajini JohnBull will discuss how they developed multi-faceted assessment protocols to evaluate their university-based principal preparation programs.