

# COMBATING HATE & BIAS

NOVEMBER 6-7, 2023

## Conference Program: Monday, November 6

9:00 - 9:30 AM

### Welcome from Conference Chair Abdullah Antepli



**Abdullah Antepli:** Associate Vice President/Associate Vice Provost for Community Engaged Research and Teaching; Associate Professor of the Practice of Interfaith Relations at the Duke Divinity School; Associate Professor of the Practice, Sanford School of Public Policy

9:30 - 10:30 AM

### Panel 1: Hate, Bias, and Racism in Today's Political and Civic Space



Robin Kirk



Manjusha P. Kulkarni



S. Charmaine McKissick-Melton



Johnathan Smith



Meredith Weisel

**Robin Kirk:** Codirector of the Duke Human Rights Center at the Franklin Humanities Institute

**Manjusha Kulkarni:** Executive Director of AAPI Equity Alliance and Co-Founder of Stop AAPI Hate

**S. Charmaine McKissick-Melton:** Associate Professor Emeritus of Mass Communication at North Carolina Central University

**Johnathan Smith:** Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division at U.S. Department of Justice

**Meredith Weisel:** Regional Director of ADL Washington D.C.

10:45 - 11:45 AM

### Panel 2: Fighting Racism, Hate, and Bias at the State and Local Levels



Jay Chaudhuri



Eileen Chow



Stelfanie Williams

**Senator Jay Chaudhuri:** North Carolina State Senator (District 15)

**Eileen Chow:** Associate Professor of the Practice in Chinese and Japanese Cultural Studies; Director of Story Lab at Duke University  
*Moderated by Stelfanie Williams, Vice President for Community Affairs, Duke University*

**Conference Program: Monday, November 6****12:00 - 1:30 PM****Keynote Address with Jonathan Greenblatt**

**Jonathan Greenblatt**, CEO of the Anti-Defamation League; Former Director of the U.S. Office of Social Innovation & Civic Participation; Former Starbucks VP of Global Consumer Products

*In a conversation with Conference Chair **Abdullah Anteppli***

**1:45 - 2:45 PM****Panel 3: Combating Antisemitism, Islamophobia, and Religious Oppression in Contemporary Politics**

Rabbi Elana  
Friedman



John Harwood



Joshua Salaam

**Rabbi Elana Friedman**, Campus Rabbi and Jewish Chaplain for Jewish Life at Duke  
**John Harwood**, Polis Distinguished Fellow and Journalist  
**Joshua Salaam**, Director and Chaplain, The Center for Muslim Life at Duke University

**3:00 - 4:00 PM****Panel 4: Hate and Bias Toward the LGBTQ+ Community in Contemporary Politics**

Angel Collie



Sara LeGrand



Nancy Petty



Michael Vazquez



Kate Whetten

**Angel Collie**, Director of the Duke Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity  
**Sara LeGrand**, Associate Research Professor, Duke Global Health Institute and Center for Health Policy and Inequalities Research; Co-Director of the Duke Sexual and Gender Minority Wellness Program

**Nancy Petty**, Pastor, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church  
**Michael Vazquez**, Public Theologian and Community Organizer; Former Director, Human Rights Campaign  
*Moderated by **Kate Whetten**, Duke Professor of Public Policy and Global Health; Director, Center for Health Policy and Inequalities Research, Duke Global Health Institute; Co-Director, Duke Sexual and Gender Minority Wellness Program*

**Conference Program: Tuesday, November 7****12:15 - 1:30 PM****Keynote Address with Frank Bruni**

**Frank Bruni**, New York Times Columnist and Professor of the Practice of Journalism and Public Policy in the Sanford School of Public Policy

*In a conversation with **Deondra Rose**, Director of Polis: Center for Politics, Kevin D. Gorter Associate Professor of Public Policy, Political Science, and History*

**1:45 - 2:35 PM****Panel 5: Sexism, Misogyny, and Politics**

Selma Newbill



Nicki Washington

**Selma Newbill**, MPP Candidate at the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University and Advocacy Support Specialist at the Network for Victim Recovery of DC

**Nicki Washington**, Cue Family Professor of the Practice, Computer Science and Gender, Sexuality, & Feminist Studies at Duke University; Director, Alliance for Identity-Inclusive Computing Education (AiICE)

**3:00 - 4:30 PM****Panel 6: The Unifiers - Fostering Transformative Conversation Across Differences**

Jed Atkins



Brandon Britt



Lindsey Haynes-Maslow



Chloe Nguyen



Pate Skene

**Jed Atkins**, E. Blake Byrne Associate Professor of Classical Studies and Associate Professor of Political Science at Duke University

**Brandon Britt**, Access Services Librarian at Perkins Library, Duke University

**Lindsey Haynes-Maslow**, Associate Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Chloe Nguyen**, Braver Angels Student Fellow; Nakayama Scholar and Alice M. Baldwin Scholar at Duke University

*Moderated by **Pate Skene**, Senior Research Scientist, University of Colorado Boulder and Associate Research Professor of Neurobiology at Duke University*



## Conference Program: Tuesday, November 7

**4:30 - 5:30 PM****Reception****5:30 - 6:30 PM****Keynote Address with Ana Navarro and Bakari Sellers**

Ana Navarro



Bakari Sellers

**Ana Navarro**, GOP Strategist, Political Contributor to CNN and Telemundo, and Co-Host of ABC's The View

**Bakari Sellers**, CNN Political Analyst & Former Representative from South Carolina

*In a conversation with **Deondra Rose**, Director of Polis: Center for Politics, Kevin D. Gorter Associate Professor of Public Policy, Political Science, and History*

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