

## **Umoja Alumni: UC the Difference**

While navigating a Predominately White Institution (PWI) can present a number of challenges, this session will highlight the success of Umoja students and benefits to attending the #1 Public Research Institution in the World. Through the Ethics of Love – The Affective Domain and Gifting, a panel of Umoja alumni return to the Umoja Statewide Conference for this roundtable discussion to provide insight into their Black transfer experience to the University of California, answer your questions about how they accessed funding beyond financial aid for undergraduate research, maximized internships or other programs in preparation for their desired career paths and became involved in student leadership to impact the future of Black transfer students within UC. Through the practice of Community-Building Communal Intelligence, this session is intended to inspire current Umoja students to recognize their own excellence and ability to navigate the process of transferring to the University of California and find success once enrolled.

### **Presenters:**

Sheryl Blackshire, University of California, Davis  
Antoinette Banks, Umoja Alumni/UC Davis  
Wiley G. Wilson Jr., Umoja Alumni/UC Irvine  
Brandon Washington, Umoja Alumni/UC Los Angeles  
Hayley Jenkins, Umoja Alumni/UC Merced  
Katryna Wallace, Umoja Alumni/UC Riverside  
Michael Paster, Umoja Alumni/UC Riverside  
Nate Ilo, Umoja Alumni/UC Santa Barbara  
Jemere Calhoun, Umoja Alumni/ UC Santa Cruz



# UMOJA AMBASSADORS:



UC the Difference!

Indaba Strand: Student Leadership, Development and Activism



# Setting the Stage

What CCC do you attend?

When are you planning to transfer (2022 or 2023)?

What are you hoping to get out of this session?

# GOALS FOR THE SESSION

Navigating a Predominately White Institution (PWI) can present a number of challenges. This session will highlight Umoja alumni who have successfully made the transition to the #1 public research institution in the world, the University of California.

Umoja alumni will:

- *Bring “real talk” about their challenges and successes*
- *Share resources you should consider tapping into*
- *Inspire you to recognize your own excellence and ability to transfer to UC*

# The UC Difference

- Prepare students to advance to graduate and professional educational programs
- Emphasis on developing research skills
- Course content theoretical & analytical
- Hands-on experience via internships, research and education abroad programs
- Providing public service is a priority





**A UC Davis alum is the President of  
which California Community College?**

- a) Sacramento City College
  - b) Long Beach City College
  - c) San Diego City College
  - d) Laney College
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## **Dr. Ricky Shabazz**

**President of San Diego City College**

**Native American Studies Major**

**Dr. Shabazz is also the President-Elect of The African American Male Educational Network and Development (A<sup>2</sup>MEND).**






"We can't teach what we don't know,  
and we can't lead where we won't go."

— MALCOLM X





**“Success isn’t about how much money you make. It’s about the difference you make in people’s lives.”**

MICHELLE OBAMA



# Thank you for joining us!



*Admissions Questions?*

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