



WINNING THE RACE

A Conference on Diversity and Community

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Tuesday • March 18 •

6:00 PM

Welcoming Session

**Keynote Addresses by Governor
William Winter & John Dittmer**

*Reception to Follow
BPAC*

Wednesday • March 19 •

8:30 AM

Opening Session

**Featured Speaker Congressman
Bennie Thompson**

BPAC

10:15 AM

Morning Session

**Creating the Welcome Table:
Diversity Training and Understanding
Inequities by the William Winter Institute
for Racial Reconciliation**

BPAC • Broom Hall • Ewing Hall • Jobe Hall

12:15 PM

Lunch & Learn

**Discussions with Featured Speakers
& Campus Experts**

Lunch Available

Archives • Broom Hall • H.L. Nowell Union

2:00 PM

Concurrent Sessions

Panel & Lecture Topics:

**Music, Media, Civil Rights
History, Religion and Healthcare**

Broom Hall • DMI • Ewing Hall

Jobe Hall • H.L. Nowell Union

5:30 PM

Closing Session

**From Theory to Action: Where do we
go from here? by the William Winter
Institute for Racial Reconciliation**

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For a full schedule of events, please visit

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Delta State is a cultural “mecca” that champions and celebrates the multicultural identity of the Mississippi Delta, and provides leadership and programming for the community and region. The goal of “Winning the Race: A Conference on Diversity and Community” is to promote dialogue on race relations by building conversations that will bring together diverse communities in the Delta.

The inaugural “Winning the Race” conference will focus on the Delta State University family—students, faculty, staff—but will also offer a wide selection of sessions for all attendees with topics such as music, media, Civil Rights history, religion and healthcare. This conference will provide an opportunity for dialogue with top-level experts who will enlighten and advance our understanding and appreciation for our differences and our common challenges.

Engage

in conversations with campus and community constituencies that will build an appreciation for diversity differences and a spirit of community through shared ideas.

Promote

a broad discourse on race relations by building conversations to bring together diverse communities in the Delta through sharing of ideas and building cooperation.

Rekindle

a hope that Delta Communities will move toward greater equality, forward and open thinking, while reducing racial disparities and tensions.

**Please register online at deltastate.edu/winningtherace
This conference is free and open to the public.**

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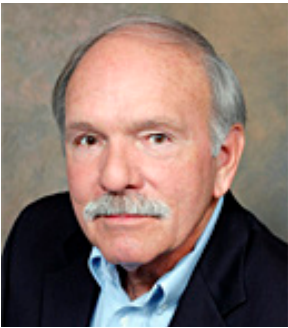


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Featured Speakers



JOHN DITTMER

Dittmer is an award-winning author, professor emeritus of history at DePauw University and a nationally recognized authority on the Civil Rights movement. From 1967–1979, he taught history at Tougaloo College in Mississippi. Dittmer’s book “Local People: The Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi,” has won multiple prestigious awards.

CONGRESSMAN BENNIE THOMPSON

Thompson, Mississippi’s District Two congressman since 1993, has long been known for his work with race relations. He is the longest-serving African-American elected official in the state of Mississippi. As a product of the Civil Rights movement, he has supported numerous bills that aim to improve the lives of minority individuals.

GOVERNOR WILLIAM WINTER

Winter has served Mississippi in numerous political capacities, including Governor from 1980–1984. His dedication to racial equality and the establishment of the William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation at the University of Mississippi has brought him international renown. In June of 1997, Winter was appointed by President Bill Clinton as a member of the National Advisory Board on Race Relations.

WILLIAM WINTER INSTITUTE FOR RACIAL RECONCILIATION

The William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation works in communities and classrooms, in Mississippi and beyond, to support a movement of racial equity and wholeness as a pathway to ending and transcending all division and discrimination based on difference.