



September 2018
CDU News

CDU Enters Back-to-Back Historic Partnerships to Increase Pathways to Medical Education Across the Globe

CDU continues to make progress toward its goal of becoming a midsize university of 2,000, as the University hosted back-to-back MOU signings with West Angeles Church of God in Christ (C.O.G.I.C.) on September 11 and Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) on September 12. The signings serve as another example of CDU's dedication to create more access to medical education while graduating additional healthcare professionals who will practice in chronically underserved areas in the U.S. and across the globe.



L to R: CDU Provost Dr. Steve Michael, CDU President/CEO Dr. David Carlisle and Senior Pastor Charles E. Blake, Sr. and Deacon John Wilson III of West Angeles C.O.G.I.C.

Though the University has established longstanding and meaningful relationships with local area churches over time, the September 11 signing with West Angeles C.O.G.I.C. marked the University's first MOU with a religious organization. CDU will solidify its commitment to educating West Angeles parishioners on careers in medicine and health, establishing scholarship initiatives for West Angeles parishioners that enroll at CDU and conduct workshops regarding federal and state financial aid eligibility requirements. In return, West Angeles leadership will promote and recommend CDU pipeline and college programs to the congregation.

CDU President/CEO Dr. David Carlisle highlighted the importance of aligning with local organizations. "The MOU that we're about to enter into is an essential component of our growth. By establishing relationships with esteemed organizations such as West Angeles, we are providing pathways for young people to access higher education and become healthcare professionals," he said.

Deacon John H. Wilson III, Education and Enrichment Program Director at West Angeles C.O.G.I.C echoed Dr. Carlisle's sentiments, citing West Angeles' dedication to providing the community access to education and resources in the face of rising educational costs. "Affordable, excellent education is essential in our communities. We need [an institution] in our communities that will nurture [students and teach them] to become health professionals," he said.

CDU signed another first-of-its-kind MOU with RUSM on September 12 that will establish a pathway program at CDU that grants preferred admission into the Doctor of Medicine (MD) program at RUSM to CDU post-baccalaureate students who meet admission criteria. This partnership pairs CDU with a high-quality international medical school in a common and socially-impactful purpose. RUSM graduates are eligible to become licensed to practice in all 50 U.S. states, Canada and Puerto Rico, and RUSM is opening its new, permanent medical sciences campus in Barbados in January 2019.



L to R: CDU Provost Dr. Steve Michael, CDU President/CEO Dr. David Carlisle and Senior Dr. William F. Owen and Kathy Boden Holland of Ross University School of Medicine.

"The intent of this exciting partnership is to take on the challenge of inadequate numbers of underrepresented minority doctors in the U.S. using novel student engagements, validated support programs, and senior level commitments to success," said William F. Owen, Jr., MD, FACP, Dean and Chancellor of RUSM.

"CDU actively seeks partnerships with educational institutions that share our mission of creating more access to medical education and graduating more healthcare professionals who will practice in chronically under-resourced areas," said CDU Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost Steve O. Michael, PhD. "We have such a partner with RUSM."



President's Message

Greetings,

As always, it is an exciting and busy time on the CDU campus.

Fall 2018 enrollment has once again hit an all-time high: as of this month, CDU currently has 718 students enrolled. We are well on our way towards our goal of becoming a midsize University. To further advance that goal, earlier this month we signed two historic memorandums of understanding (MOU) with West Angeles Church of God in Christ (C.O.G.I.C.) and Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM), the latter of which is slated to open a campus in Barbados in January 2019 and will mark the first MOU with an international higher education institution. I'd like to extend a special thanks to the leadership at CDU, West Angeles C.O.G.I.C. and RUSM for their insight and vision which made these partnerships possible.

We are just a few days away from one of the biggest days in the CDU community – our annual concert fundraiser, Jazz at Drew on Saturday, October 6. With performances from After 7, The S.O.S. Band, Miki Howard, DW3, Pete Escovedo Orchestra and The Crusaders – A Tribute Band, this year's event is sure to be another spectacular one. Get your tickets today at jazzatdrew.brownpapertickets.com, or visit the Jazz at Drew website (www.cdrewu.edu/jazzatdrew) for more information.

We will also be holding our annual State of the University event on Tuesday, October 9. If you haven't already, register [here](#), or visit the event registration portal on the CDU website.

I hope to see you at both events!

David M. Carlisle, MD, PhD
President & CEO

Campus News

Dr. Carlisle Gives Updates at University Forum

Dr. Carlisle hosted a University Forum on September 12 to provide University updates to CDU staff, faculty and students, as well as personally address any questions and concerns of the CDU community. The forum served as a precursor to the upcoming State of the University Address, set to take place on October 9.



CDU Commemorates National Hispanic Heritage Month



L to R: Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith, Dr. Jinny Oh, Lynwood Mayor Jose Solache and Dr. Hector Balcazar at the National Hispanic Heritage Month Opening Celebration on September 19.

CDU commemorated National Hispanic Heritage Month with a variety of activities throughout the month of September. An opening ceremony was held on September 19 and featured a live mariachi performance and remarks from special guest Jose Solache, mayor of Lynwood.

On September 26, special guest speaker Joanna Perez of CSU Dominguez Hills facilitated an open forum discussion surrounding the impact of Hispanic heritage and culture on society and the surrounding community.

Throughout the month, CDU students also were able to redeem a copy of Sandra Cisneros' award-winning classic, *The House on Mango Street*, courtesy of the Division of Student Affairs. Click [here](#) to view photos from the National Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations, or visit CDU's SmugMug website.

Alumni Relations Unit Conducts Inaugural Professional Development Fair With Comerica and More



CDU Alumni Associate Brittney Miller with Comerica SVP Donald Kinsey during the inaugural Professional Development Fair on September 8, 2018.

On September 8, the CDU Alumni Council and Alumni Relations Unit hosted the inaugural Professional Development Fair in the Keck Auditorium. The event featured breakout sessions on utilizing social media to build professional networks, building financial literacy, the importance of mentorship and more. Presentations were given by Donald Kinsey of Comerica Bank, Kristena Hatcher of the Creative Artists Agency, Eric Gooden of The Gooden Group, and alumni council chair Adrienne Martinez of Gateways Hospitals and Mental Health Center.

Various companies were on-site for the fair to give information about health careers, such as AltaMed, MLK Department of Public Health, U.S. Department of Foreign Affairs, U.S. Army, Mount Saint Mary's University, Health Staffing Professionals, MagnusCare and Center of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

CDU Community Celebrates Eighth Annual Unity Day

CDU faculty, staff, friends and family came to the CDU campus on Saturday, September 15, to enjoy a day of fun at the eighth annual Unity Day Celebration. The event was well-attended and featured face painting, arts and crafts and a homemade dessert contest. Unity Day is currently organized by the Staff Management Council (SMC), which is charged with building school spirit, addressing staff concerns and shaping the future of CDU. Those interested in joining the SMC are encouraged to reach out to April Miller at (323) 563-5823 or AprilMiller@cdrewu.edu.

Click [here](#) to view photos from Unity Day 2018, or visit CDU's SmugMug website.



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CDU to Break Ground on Future Grand Entrance, Student Center



On October 9, CDU will officially break ground on the site that will serve as the University's grand entrance facing 120th Street, as well as a dedicated student services facility. The groundbreaking will mark the University's first large-scale construction project since the construction of the Life Sciences Research and Nursing Education (LSRNE) in 2010.

The groundbreaking will take place immediately following the State of the University address. Click [here](#) to register for attendance, or visit the event registration portal on the CDU website.

CDU Event Calendar

September 27: M. Alfred Haynes Lecture Series

September 27: Learning and Healing Garden Revamp Session

October 2: Diplomats on Global Health Series

October 5: CDU Homecoming Celebration Weekend

October 6: Jazz at Drew

October 9: 2018 State of the University Address

[Click for more Calendar Items](#)

View photos from this month's events and more at cdrewu.smugmug.com

CDU in the News: September 2018

UCLA Newsroom

[California's large minority population drives state's relatively low death rate, study finds](#) (9/6/2018)

Science Daily

[California's large minority population drives state's relatively low death rate, study finds](#) (9/6/2018)

LA Watts Times

[Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science Teams Up with Stand Up To Cancer to Bring More People of Color into Research and Clinical Trials for Cancer](#) (9/6/2018)

BusinessWire

[Agreement Between Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science and Ross University School of Medicine Designed to Alleviate Critical Physician Shortage](#) (9/11/2018)

Adtalem Global Education

[Agreement Between Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science and Ross University School of Medicine Designed to Alleviate Critical Physician Shortage](#) (9/12/2018)

Our Weekly

[Drew University teams with 'Stand Up To Cancer'](#) (9/13/2018)

California Health Report

[California Grapples With Growing Physician Shortage For Low-Income Patients](#) (9/17/2018)

Trading News Network

[Latest Technicals: Adtalem Global Education \(NYSE: ATGE\)](#) (9/18/2018)

LA Sentinel

[West Angeles and CDU Partner to Increase Physicians in Underserved Communities](#) (9/19/2018)

LA Sentinel

[Metta World Peace Keynotes Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science Alumni Homecoming Gala](#) (9/20/2018)

Our Weekly

[Metta World Peace will speak at Drew fundraiser](#) (9/20/2018)

BusinessWire

[Health Net's Community Connection Forum Brings 50+ Non-Profits Together to Make South Los Angeles a More Resilient Community](#) (9/20/2018)

Journal of Black Higher Education

[Charles R. Drew University of Medical Science Teams Up With Medical School in Dominica](#) (9/21/2018)

LA Parent

[The Many Faces of STEM](#) (9/25/2018)

Kevin M.D.

[Why historically black colleges and universities matter](#) (9/26/2018)

LA Watts Times

[After 7, the S.O.S Band, Miki Howard, Jazz Funk Soul and the Pete Escovedo Orchestra Headline Jazz at Drew](#) (9/27/2018)

Los Angeles Wave

[NAJEE'S NOTES: Jazz at Drew returns Oct. 6](#) (9/27/2018)

LA Sentinel

[Bakewell Media Presents the 13th Annual Taste of Soul](#) (9/27/2018)

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- Miki Howard
- THE S.O.S. BAND
- THE PETE ESCOVEDO ORCHESTRA
- JOEL GARER, ESQUE YOUNG, ERNAN PRICES
- THE CRUSADERS - A TRIBUTE featuring RONNIE LAWS
- DW3

Additional artists may be announced.



Legacy of CDU

*“Legacy of CDU” offers readers an intimate look into the rich history of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.
(special thanks to CDU project archivist Robin Schiff)*

CDU Collaborates with Winnie Mandela To Address Global Health Disparities

In January 1992, Winnie Mandela, anti-apartheid activist and then-wife of Nelson Mandela, announced a collaboration between the African National Congress of South Africa and the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science would embark on a unique collaboration of medical research and health programs.

The effort, Mandela and university officials said, put CDU in charge of developing medical programs with the ANC for South African blacks, whose health care needs were as significantly dire as many blacks in America's inner cities. As one of only four Black medical schools in America, Mandela said, CDU was uniquely qualified to head the effort.

Lewis King, who was then dean of the College of Medicine, told the gathering that the university is prepared to begin the program by sharing medical research with the ANC on the care of children and their mothers, nutrition and other health issues. In addition, he said, the university intended to help the ANC launch medical programs, including clinics that can assist black South Africans whose access to health care is severely limited amid that nation's political upheaval.

A similar collaborative was established three years later in 1995, when the nation's four Black medical schools — Meharry Medical College, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, Howard University College of Medicine, and the Morehouse School of Medicine— formed a national alliance to help Black medical colleges in South Africa improve their country's health care system, following urging from Nelson Mandela to black Americans to help “rebuild” South Africa after apartheid.



2018
STATE *of the*
UNIVERSITY
ADDRESS

"Breaking New Ground"

Presented By
David M. Carlisle, MD, PHD
President and CEO



Tuesday, October 9, 2018
12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

W.M. Keck Building Lawn
1731 E. 120th Street
Los Angeles, California 90059

Click here to RSVP no later than
October 1, 2018.

For more information, contact
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2018
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ALUMNI HOMECOMING *Celebration*



featured speaker

Metta World Peace

Former NBA Basketball Player | Author
with a book signing of his new book,
“No Malice: My Life In Basketball”
and fireside chat with interviewer,

Tanya Hart
Radio Personality



Join us

Friday, October 5, 2018

reception 6 pm
dinner & program 7-9 pm
dancing 9-10 pm

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