



# ANNUAL REPORT 2018

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# REFLECTIONS AND LOOKING AHEAD

In the last year, our speakers brought really interesting and diverse topics to campus, which encouraged intellectual and sometimes spirited conversations from classrooms to dorm rooms, off campus and beyond. From Jason Riley's somewhat controversial perspective on US race relations, to Samantha Power's call to young people to consider public service, to Anna Deavere Smith's poignant and breathtaking portrayal of the real-life characters in her play who are the subjects of social injustice.

We are incredibly excited about our lineup of speakers for next spring. The Chambers lecture will feature author Piper Kerman, whose bestselling memoir *Orange is the New Black* was adapted into a Netflix must-watch series. Kerman's talk will focus on the US criminal justice system. Anders Fogh Rasmussen, the former prime minister of Denmark and secretary general of NATO, will be the Clough Colloquium's featured speaker. Rasmussen will talk about America's foreign policy and its resulting risks and opportunities. We will co-sponsor the Lowell Humanities lecture, where former border patrol agent Francisco Cantu will talk about his professional experience, which he wrote about in his new memoir, *The Line Becomes a River*. The Brennan Symposium will feature Emily Chang, author of *Brotopia*, who will talk about how this generation of students can narrow the gender gap in the workplace.

The Winston Center will be forever indebted to our founding director, Dick Keeley, whose direction got the Center to where we are today—bringing the Boston College community together. I look forward to continuing Dick's work while forging new perspectives and direction to the Winston Center, which not only unifies the BC community, but embodies a culture of diversity and inclusiveness.

Monetta Edwards, Director

# FAREWELL TO DICK KEELEY

In June, we bid farewell to the Center's founding director of programs, Dick Keeley. Keeley, whose guidance and vision helped shape the Winston Center's mission and our ensuing work, will be fondly remembered as the orator of ceremonies for his eloquent and warm remarks that welcomed audiences to all of our keynote lectures.



# SIGNATURE EVENTS

SPRING 2018



**Chambers Lecture Series** featured Jason Riley, *Wall Street Journal* contributor and a Manhattan Institute fellow, who talked about racial economic inequality during the Obama presidency. This talk was presented with the Thea Bowman AHANA and Intercultural Center's Black History Month Committee.

**Clough Colloquium** featured Samantha Power, former US ambassador to the United Nations, who talked about the importance of US leadership on the global stage. We partnered with the Women's Center in observance of Women's History Month.



The Center collaborated with the **Lowell Humanities Series** to bring to campus Anna Deavere Smith, actress, playwright, and professor, who performed excerpts from her recent play *Notes from the Field: Doing Time in Education*.

# SIGNATURE EVENTS

FALL 2018



Doris Kearns Goodwin with Chuck and Gloria Clough

At the Clough Colloquium, Pulitzer Prize-winning presidential historian Doris Kearns Goodwin talked about the current American political climate, and her new book *Leadership in Turbulent Times*.

The **Jane Jacobs Lecture** featured urban revitalization specialist Majora Carter, who talked about building sustainable urban communities, and why “gentrification” could be a good thing.



The **Forum on Ethics** featured Dan Price, CEO and founder of Gravity Payments, who made headlines when he raised the minimum salary of his employees to \$70,000, inspiring companies around the world to follow suit. For Price, this is about doing what’s right—where business ceases to be about financial engineering and greed but about values and serving others.



## FALL 2018 CONT'D



Gina McCarthy



Bill Plunkert '68



Tena Stivicic



Nicaragua Panel

**Winston Collaborations:** The Center partnered with the student group Organization for Latin American Affairs (OLAA) to bring together experts (professors from Brown and Harvard) and observers (current and former BC students from Nicaragua) to talk about the economic and political unrest in Nicaragua. Other collaborations included former EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, who talked about US environmental policy; former CIA spy Bill Plunkert '68, who talked about espionage during the Cold War; playwright Tena Stivicic, who talked about her play *Invisible*, a story about migration; and sisters Chanterelle (BC Law '00) and Vera (BC Law '00) Sung, daughters of Abacus Federal Bank's founder) who led a discussion after a screening of the film *Abacus: Small Enough to Jail*, the story about the only US bank prosecuted in relation to the 2008 financial crisis.

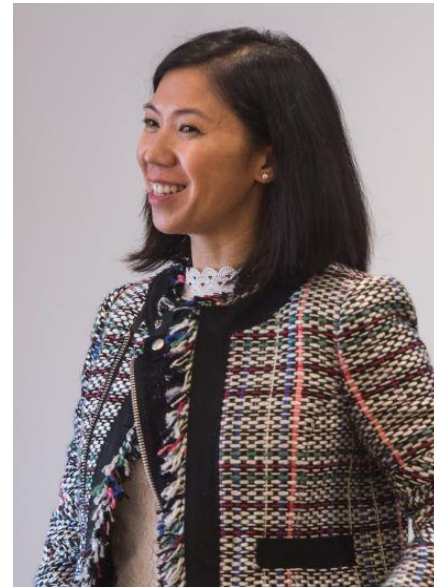


# STUDENT PROGRAMS

## Lunch with a Leader

The spring LWL session featured Richard A. C. Coles '90, managing partner of the Vanbarton Group LLC, who talked about managing one's drive for success while maintaining a good work-life balance.

The fall LWL sessions featured alumni Jacqui Canney '89, executive vice president of the Global People Division for Walmart Inc; Janet Wang '99, managing director at Oaktree Capital Management; Keith Wargo '90, managing director at Mizuho Bank and his wife, management consultant Anne Wargo; and Trish Walker '88, president of services for Best Buy Co., Inc.



Janet Wang '99



This fall Brian Groves '93, director of global services at Facebook, was the inaugural **Ethics & Lunch** series speaker. He discussed how Facebook is dealing with ongoing privacy concerns and its position on free speech vs. hate speech.

## STUDENT PROGRAMS CONT'D



The **Brennan Symposium** featured Kristin Groos Richmond '97, CEO and co-founder of Revolution Foods, who talked to the combined Jenks classes and the Winston Ambassadors about finding passion and courage in everything they do.

**Winston Ambassadors** led a *get out the vote* campaign at the fall student involvement activities fair. The campaign was inspired by spring Clough Colloquium speaker Samantha Power, who encouraged students to vote and be responsible for creating positive societal changes.



Winston Ambassador Roshan Taroll '21 and Samantha Power

# STUDENT PROGRAMS CONT'D

Class of 2018 student directors of the **Jenks Leadership Program** attended the US Naval Academy's leadership conference on *Breaking Barriers: Obstacles are Opportunities*. Susan Kourtis '18 was the recipient of the Joseph G. Bonito Servant Leadership Award at the 2018 Jenks graduation.



Joe Bonito '79 and Susan Kourtis '18



Blake Hanson '20 and Nicole Bernhard '20

Class of 2018 group projects supported organizations like the Mattapan Teen Center, the Boston Medical Center pediatric department, Rosie's Place, BC Bigs, and the Student Involvement Office.

Students volunteered at the Perkins School for the Blind, helping students with an Easter egg hunt.

We accepted 28 students for the Jenks Class of 2020, representing 14 states, China, and India.

# STUDENT GRANTS

Six travel grants were awarded to students who traveled to the Dominican Republic; Beirut, Lebanon; Tamil Nadu, India; Bolivia; Prague, Czech Republic; and Paris, France, for work in the areas of public health, environmental advocacy, language exchange, education, and social enterprise. Eleven internship grants were issued to students for unpaid summer internships at the White House, Norfolk (MA) District Attorney's Office, US State Department, Massachusetts Governor's Office, Boston Children's Hospital, and various non-profit organizations in Argentina, India, South Africa, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Washington, DC.



Social enterprise initiative in Bolivia



School in the Dominican Republic for girls

# FACULTY GRANTS

Grants were awarded to two core renewal classes: **The History and Politics of Terrorism** class featured Alison Crowther, mother of Welles Remy Crowther '99, who lost his life in the World Trade Center attacks. Crowther talked about leadership through service and the ethical consequences of societal needs created by terrorism. For the **Where #blacklivesmatter Meets #metoo: Violence and Representation in the African Diaspora** class, the Tillet sisters, Scheherazade and Salamishah, talked about surviving rape and going beyond the #MeToo movement.



Scheherazade and Dr. Salamishah Tillet

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