Black History Month Celebration 2017

*The Roots of The Crisis in Black Education*
Tuesday, February 7, at 2pm in James F. Dicke Hall

**Dr. Kevin McGruder**
Assistant Professor of History at Antioch College

Today many black students attend urban public school systems that are highly segregated, lack resources, and exhibit a racial achievement gap. Dr. McGruder’s talk will explore the roots of these challenges and discuss some of the issues that need to be confronted if changes are to be made. He has a B.A. in Economics from Harvard University, and an M.B.A. in Real Estate Finance from Columbia University. His interest in community formation led to a career in nonprofit community development. After receiving a Ph.D. in U.S. History from the Graduate Center of City University of New York, now as an academic, his research interests include African American institutions, urban history, and gay and lesbian history.

*Film Screening & Discussion*
Wednesday, February 22, at 3:30pm in 177 Dwyer Hall

**The Great Debaters (2007)**

Two-time Academy Award winner Denzel Washington stars with Academy Award winner Forest Whitaker in this important and deeply inspiring page from the not-so-distant past. Inspired by a true story, Washington shines as a brilliant but politically radical debate team coach who uses the power of words to transform a group of underdog African American college students into an historical powerhouse that took on the Harvard elite.

Both events are FREE and open to the public

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