

CENTER FOR AFRICANA STUDIES

→ Krieger School of Arts and Sciences

LEADS:

Dr. Minkah Makalani, Associate Professor, History, Director of the Center for Africana Studies

Dr. Vesla Weaver, Bloomberg Distinguished Professor of Political Science and Sociology

RECRUITING:

4 faculty: 3 senior, 1 junior

ABOUT THE CLUSTER

The **Center for Africana Studies** pursues the rigorous study of black life, culture, and thought in Africa, the Americas, and Europe. The Center's interdisciplinary strengths enables its faculty the to take a dynamic approach to the exploration of black life, thought, politics, and cultures, with particular attention to how these have responded to and been impacted by the historical and ongoing structures, practices, and beliefs of white supremacy.

As we build Africana Studies' institutional standing at Johns Hopkins University, we seek to build in the areas of black feminisms, Black queer studies, and the creative arts. A diverse, robust intellectual community that can ethically engage the socio-political worlds of black Baltimore would position Africana Studies to help shape the future of black studies as a field and, by extension, help transform traditional disciplines.

ABOUT THE FANNIE GASTON JOHANSSON FACULTY OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM AT JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

The Fannie Gaston-Johansson Faculty of Excellence Program is part of a \$50 million investment that focuses on the recruitment, retention, and advancement of faculty who demonstrate a commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence as part of JHU's Second Roadmap on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. The initiative will bring 30 scholars committed to inclusive excellence to Johns Hopkins University, with a concentration on areas where diversity among faculty has lagged and an emphasis on recruiting scholars in science, technology, engineering, and math fields.





