

Good morning friends,

Over the long weekend of Thursday, October 19 to Sunday, October 22 Southern will be taking 20 of our student leaders—Student Association officers, Student Senators, and presidents of various student organizations—to the annual DEEP Retreat. DEEP stands for Diversity Education Exchange Program and the retreat is an opportunity for Southern's campus to interact with members of Oakwood University's campus at a venue away from both institutions.

This year, Southern is taking the lead in the program. The retreat will occur at the Embassy Suites in Montgomery, Alabama. The programming will include visiting the Legacy Museum, an award-winning institution for its excellent exhibitions on the impact of lynching on this country. Besides being involved with impactful programming, you will eat well, socialize with members of our sister college, and worship during the Sabbath impactfully.

Students will be excused fully from their classes on Thursday and Friday, and we will leave the morning of Sunday to return to campus. The bus trip will be a full 3 hours long.

I give you those details because you have been identified as student leaders for whom a retreat of this sort would be most beneficial for careers you are embarking in.

If you can go and would like to, please respond to this email with your desire.

Blessings,

Dennis