Dr. Daneell Moore, background is in Language, Literacy, and Culture Education. She has completed research that examines empowering literacy practices within African American communities from the 19th century to present. A strand of that work includes examining African American educators and community leaders who engaged in literacy practices to promote social change, including women's suffrage. Dr. Moore will focus on common themes among these activists, such as Anna J. Cooper and Ida B. Wells. This topic is significant because African Americans played a critical role in promoting women’s suffrage, yet their involvement has not been fully recognized or appreciated.

Dr. Sheree Keith will talk about the issues with race in the suffrage movement, focusing on issues related to immigration, lynching, the 15th Amendment, the “educated vote” and concern about winning the vote in the South. The overall talk should give audiences an understanding of the social issues at work during the fight for women’s suffrage and how these shaped the fight for suffrage.

Mrs. Grace Adams-Square, Co-Coordinator of the 19th Amendment Centennial Celebration Committee and Assistant Professor in Political Science will facilitate the discussion. Adams-Square initiated the concept of MGA commemorating the 19th Amendment. Now all five campuses will engage in activities to honor women that had a history of being marginalized. The fall celebration will run August 18, 2020 through September 17, 2020.

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