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New York University announces MLK Week 2012

It has been more than 50 years since the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. accepted an invitation from student leaders to address the New York University community. Dr. King's speech entitled, "The Future of Integration," advocated for civil rights and nonviolent protest for social change. He said, "Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable... Every step toward the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals."

Today, there is a new generation of dedicated individuals that have joined in this commitment. This year's theme is intended to open up critical dialogue around where we are, and where we are going, on the path towards social change and social justice.

February 2012 is African Heritage Month! Join us as we explore "**The Future of Diversity: Here & Now,**" and honor Dr. King's legacy with a series of events featuring guest speakers and unique programs.

The 7th Annual MLK Week is February 6-11, 2012.

Highlighting the week is the MLK University-wide event, "**7 Issues, 7 Leaders, 7 Minutes**" on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 7pm in the Eisner & Lubin Auditorium, Kimmel Center for University Life.

This highly anticipated University-wide event will feature 7 prominent leaders, condensing their most thought-provoking and critical perspectives into 7 intense minutes on issues within one of 7 topics:

1. Media
2. Cities
3. Arts
4. Education
5. Economy
6. Immigration
7. Activism

Confirmed leaders include: **Dr. Cornel West**; Princeton University Professor, philosopher and influential intellectual, to speak on the issue of "Activism" and **Dr. Mitchell L. Moss**; Director of the Rudin Center for Transportation and Henry Hart Rice Professor Urban Policy and Planning at New York University's Wagner Graduate School of Public Service to speak on the issue of "Cities."

To learn more about the University-wide event and other thought-provoking programming and activities planned by the NYU community at large, please visit the official NYU MLK Week 2012 website for details and information: www.nyu.edu/mlkweek.

Thank you for your interest and on behalf of the 2012 NYU MLK Week Committee, we look forward to your involvement and participation.

Sincerely,

Allen M. McFarlane, co-Chairperson, MLK Week 2012

Patricia Carey, Associate Dean, Assistant Provost, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development, co-Chairperson, MLK Week 2012