

# Provost's Conversations on Diversity, Democracy, and Higher Education



**Presents:**

## **“Dispatch From The Front Lines of The Affirmative Action War”**

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-----Peter Schmidt: Selected Publications-----  
*[The Most Recent Titles Are Listed First]*

Schmidt, Peter. *Study Challenges Assumptions About Affirmative Action Bans*. Chronicle of Higher Education. February 8, 2008. Volume 54. Issue 22. Pages A20-A21.

All UMCP Libraries

LexisNexis Academic Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Discusses a recently published 2008 research study that examines the impact of affirmative action bans on the demographics and admissions policies of colleges and universities.

Schmidt, Peter. *Affirmative Action Foes Get Missouri Court Victory*. Chronicle of Higher Education. January 18, 2008. Volume 54. Issue 19. Page A17.

All UMCP Libraries

Education Research Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Examines a proposed amendment to the Missouri Constitution that bans the use of affirmative action programs in public academic institutions and state government organizations.

**(See Page 2 For More Peter Schmidt Publications, Including His Recent Book (2007), *Color and Money: How Rich White Kids Are Winning the War Over College Affirmative Action*).**

**Schmidt, Peter. *Scholars Mount Sweeping Effort to Measure Effects of Affirmative Action in Higher Education.* Chronicle of Higher Education. January 18, 2008. Volume 54. Issue 19. Page A19.**

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Education Research Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Explores research on affirmative action programs in colleges and universities with an emphasis on law schools. Discusses methods of evaluating student achievement in relationship to admissions policies.

**Schmidt, Peter. *Color and Money: How Rich White Kids Are Winning the War Over College Affirmative Action.* New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LC 213.52 .S35 2007  
(Reserve Desk)

Discusses the myths and realities surrounding the affirmative action debate. Examines the inequalities that exist in the admissions policies of colleges and universities that vigorously support the recruitment of white and privileged students over poor and working-class students of all races.

**Schmidt, Peter. *U. of Michigan Softens Impact of Preference Ban.* Chronicle of Higher Education. November 16, 2007. Volume 54. Issue 12. Page A22.**

All UMCP Libraries

Academic Search Premier Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Describes the minority recruitment efforts of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor to increase diversity among its student body, following the state of Michigan ban on considering race and ethnicity as factors in the admissions policies of higher education institutions.

**Schmidt, Peter. *5 More States May Curtail Affirmative Action. (Cover Story).* Chronicle of Higher Education. October 19, 2007. Volume 54. Issue 8. Pages A1-A20.**

All UMCP Libraries.

Education Research Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Examines initiatives to ban affirmative action programs in public colleges and state organizations. Describes the efforts of Ward Connerly, Chairman of the American Civil Rights Institute, who is seeking to prohibit affirmative action programs in the states of Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, Nebraska, and Oklahoma.

**Schmidt, Peter. *Critics Challenge Affirmative Action in Texas, Citing Success of Alternatives – Chronicle.com.* Chronicle of Higher Education. August 3, 2007. Volume 53. Issue 48. Page 13.**

All UMCP Libraries

Education Research Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

Focuses on the admissions policies of the University of Texas at Austin that uses race as a factor in making its enrollment decisions.

**Schmidt, Peter and Audrey Williams June. *Court Tells Michigan Universities to Comply Immediately With Preference Ban.* Chronicle of Higher Education. January 12, 2007. Volume 53. Issue 19. Page A25.**

All UMCP Libraries

Education Research Database  
Contains Complete Article  
Through Research Port

The U.S. Court of Appeals orders Michigan's three largest universities to cease affirmative action practices.

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---Selected Books---

**Perry, Barbara A. *The Michigan Affirmative Action Cases*. Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 2007.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LF 228 .G78 P47 2007

(Check Library Shelf)

Reports on past litigation brought against the University of Michigan regarding its admissions policies. Describes the 5-4 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court that upheld the University's right to use race as a factor in its enrollment decisions.

**Sacks, Peter. *Tearing Down the Gates: Confronting the Class Divide in American Education*. Berkeley, California: University of California Press, 2007.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LC 213.2 .S23 2007

(Check Library Shelf)

Explores the growing enrollment inequalities perpetuated by some academic institutions. Describes colleges and universities as welcoming the enrollment of students from upper class American families, while offering little encouragement or support to students from less fortunate families.

**Moore, Jamillah. *Race and College Admissions: A Case for Affirmative Action*. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland, 2005.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LC 212.42 .M66 2005

(Check Library Shelf)

An analysis of the role race plays in higher education admissions. Explores misconceptions related to affirmative action, race, and the college admissions process.

**Orfield, Gary, Patricia Marin, and Catherine L. Horn, Editors. *Higher Education and the Color Line: College Access, Racial Equity, and Social Change*. Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard Education Press, 2005.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LC 3727 .C65 2005

(Check Library Shelf)

A guidebook on how to effectively recruit and retain college age minority students, as academic institutions increasingly face legal and political challenges in their efforts to increase diversity on campus.

**Wise, Time J. *Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White*. New York: Routledge, 2005.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LC 213.52 .W57 2005

(Check Library Shelf)

Examines affirmative action policies from the viewpoint of the white privileged in the American educational system. The author demonstrates long standing institutionalized racism and white racial preference in U. S. education. Argues that affirmative action is more than just a tool for promoting diversity.

**Gurin, Patricia, Jeffrey S. Lehman, Earl Lewis, Eric L. Dey, Sylvia Hurtado, and Gerald Gurin. *Defending Diversity: Affirmative Action at the University of Michigan*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2004.**

McKeldin Library

Stacks LB 2351.2 .D43 2004

(Check Library Shelf)

Distinguished University of Michigan (UM) faculty responds to the June 2003 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court upheld UM's right and thus, other academic institutions right to consider race as a factor

in their admissions programs. UM's affirmative action policies advanced the argument that diversity in higher education has positive educational and social outcomes.

**Ogletree, Charles J., Jr. *All Deliberate Speed: Reflections on the First Half Century of Brown v. Board of Education*. New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 2004.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks KF 4757 .O35 2004  
(Check Library Shelf)**

As an African American, Dr. Ogletree personally reflects on the impact of the landmark 1954 decision of the U.S. Supreme Court that declared segregated public schools unconstitutional.

**Cokorinos, Lee. *The Assault on Diversity: An Organized Challenge to Racial and Gender Justice*. Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield, 2003.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks HF 5549.5 .A34 C645 2003  
(Check Library Shelf)**

A handbook on conservative groups that oppose civil rights and diversity related causes. Provides in-depth profiles of conservative organizations and their leaders.

**Pincus, Fred L. *Reverse Discrimination: Dismantling the Myth*. Boulder, Colorado: Lynne Rienner, 2003.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks JC 599.U5 P478 2003  
(Check Library Shelf)**

An empirical analysis that explores the issues surrounding affirmative action. Refutes the notion that affirmative action has resulted in "reverse discrimination" towards white men. Argues that minorities and women in America are those who continue to experience discrimination.

**Ball, Howard. *The Bakke Case: Race, Education, and Affirmative Action*. Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 2000.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks KF 228.B34 B35 2000  
(Check Library Shelf)**

A detailed account of the U.S. Supreme Court case involving Allan Bakke, a white applicant who had been denied enrollment into the University of California at Davis Medical School. He sued the University for rejecting his enrollment, while affirmative action policies allowed the University to enroll minority candidates with lower grade point averages than Bakke's. The Court's 1978 decision upheld the University's right to use race as one factor in making enrollment decisions.

**Connerly, Ward. *Creating Equal: My Fight Against Race Preferences*. San Francisco, California: Encounter Books, 2000.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks E 185.97 .C74 2000  
(Check Library Shelf)**

Ward Connerly, an African American who served on the University of California Board of Regents in 1995, recounts his successful efforts to create a movement to end affirmative action policies in the nation's largest university and in state funded academic institutions across the United States

**Carter, Stephen L. *Reflections of An Affirmative Action Baby*. New York: Basic Books, 1991.  
McKeldin Library**

**Stacks HF 5549.5 .A34 C37 1991  
(Check Library Shelf)**

Yale Law Professor Stephen L. Carter discusses the pros and cons of affirmative action programs and the impact of affirmative action on his life.

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---Selected Films---

***Beyond Brown: Pursuing the Promise.*** (2004). DVD Videodisc, (60 minutes). Color with black and white sequences.

UMCP Hornbake Library

Nonprint Media Services Desk

LC 214.2 .B49 2004

(Non-Circulating)

Examines the legacy and impact of Brown v. Board of Education, the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decision that ended legal segregation in American education.

***Diversity Strategies for Today's Complex Environment.*** (2002). VHS Videocassette, (117 minutes). Color.

UMCP Hornbake Library

Nonprint Media Services Desk

HF 5549.5 .A34 D58 2002

(Non-Circulating)

Moderator, Julianne Malveaux and panelists discuss race and racial diversity in the United States. This is framed in the context of affirmative action and higher education admissions policies.

***Affirmative Action: The Right Road to Diversity.*** (2001). VHS Videocassette, (30 minutes). Color.

UMCP Hornbake Library

Nonprint Media Services Desk

HF 5549.5 a34 a467 2001

(Non-Circulating)

Presents an affirmative action policies debate. Offers the insights of critics that believe such policies are no longer needed, while defenders argue that it is too soon to end such practices. Although a controversial issue, the film presents the issues that will certainly informed those interested in becoming more aware about the topic.

***Beyond Black and White: Affirmative Action in America.*** (2000). VHS Videocassette, (60 minutes). Color.

UMCP Hornbake Library

Nonprint Media Services Desk

HF 5549.5 .A34 B49 2000

(Non-Circulating)

Policy activists debate the issue of affirmative action. Dr. Ogletree moderates the debate. Hypothetical university admissions policies are used to set the framework for the discussion.

***Justice Clarence Thomas: Supreme Court Justice Speech.*** (2000). VHS Videocassette, (58 minutes). Color.

UMCP Hornbake Library

Nonprint Media Services Desk

HF 5549.5 .A34 A35 1996

(Non-Circulating)

Conservative U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas delivers a speech before African American lawyers, where he identifies himself as an independent thinker and expresses his views against affirmative action programs.

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-----**Conducting Research On Affirmative Action Related Topics:  
Selected Databases Through Research Port**-----

*Databases listed here are accessible through the University Libraries' Research Port, <http://researchport.umd.edu>. The electronic files can be searched on and off campus by University of Maryland, College Park students, faculty, and staff. Due to licensing agreements, the general public may access the databases on campus only.*

**Academic Search Premier**

Contains full-text articles on a variety of topics, from popular and scholarly journals, and newspapers.

**Education Research Complete**

The definitive online resource for education research. A comprehensive listing of the world's largest and most complete collection of full-text education journals. It is a bibliographic and full-text database covering scholarly research and information relating to all areas of education.

**Ethnic NewsWatch**

English/Spanish full-text database that cover a variety of topics. Contains articles from newspapers, magazines, and journals published in the ethnic, minority, and native press.

**International Index to Black Periodicals**

International coverage of Black Studies related topics. Includes articles from scholarly and popular periodicals, newspapers, and newsletters from the United States, Africa, and the Caribbean. Provides full-text, citations, and abstracts.

**LexisNexis Academic**

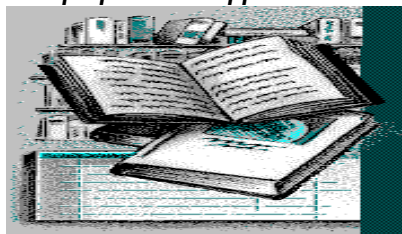
Includes a variety of news, legal, political, and business related articles. Contains the complete text of case law, regulations, as well as, state and federal codes of the United States.

**WorldCat**

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