

W.E.B. Du Bois Lecture Series

BLACK EUROPEANS

RACE AND THE NEW EUROPE

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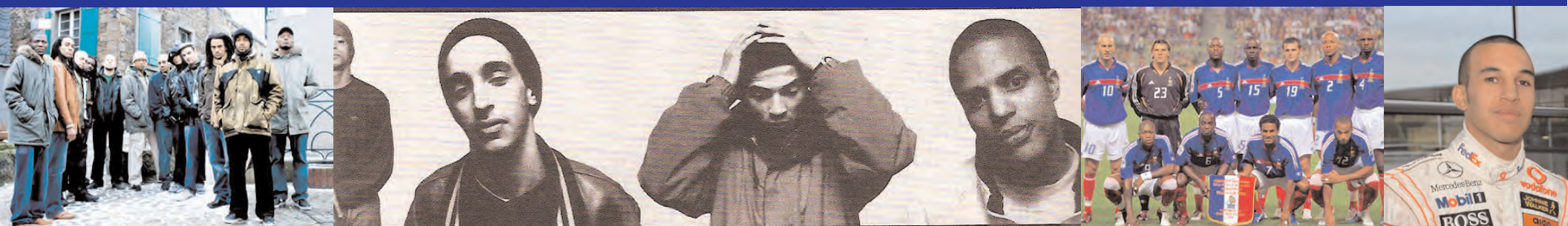


September 25 4 - 5:30 pm 101 Campus Center, UMass Amherst

Lecture by Michelle Wright

“The Physics of Blackness: Reconsidering the African Diaspora in the Postwar Era”

Michelle M. Wright received her PhD from the University of Michigan in Comparative Literature in 1997. From 1997-2000 she held the McCandless Junior Faculty Research chair in Literary and Cultural Studies at Carnegie Mellon University before moving to Macalester College in St. Paul Minnesota. She is now an associate professor of English at the University of Minnesota and the author of *Becoming Black: Creating Identity in the African Diaspora* (Duke University Press, 2004). Together with Tina Campt, she edited *Reading the Black German Experience*, a special issue of the journal *Callaloo*. She also is co-editor of *Domain Errors! A Cyberfeminist Handbook* (2003) and *Blackness and Sexualities* (2007).



Undergraduates may sign up for LLC 296, a 1-credit course built around the lectures, which provides a unique opportunity for in-depth, small group discussion with the speakers. For information, contact the instructors, Allia Matta (amatta@afroam.umass.edu) and McKinley Melton (mmelton@afroam.umass.edu).

Faculty and Graduate Students: Please join our speakers for a 7:30 pm seminar which will follow each lecture. For information and registration, please contact Sara Lennox (lennox@german.umass.edu) or Jonathan Skolnik (jskolnik@german.umass.edu).

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