



AFROCENTRIC SYMPOSIUM

Day 1

5th Feb 2025

6:00 PM - 6:15 PM

Check-in and registration
Arrival of attendees; collection of Symposium package

6:15 PM - 6:30 PM

Welcome Message
Opening remarks by TAYFFI, Distinguished dignitaries, and
Black Community leaders

6:30 PM - 6:45 PM

Presentation of Proclamation
Formal presentation of the Black History Month 2025
Proclamation by the City of Saskatoon

6:45 PM - 7:00 PM

Opening Message on Black History as Canadian Heritage
Keynote presentation on Black History Month and what it
represents for Black People across Canada

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Network Social Event
Social networking and mingling; complementary
refreshments will be served.



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Day 2

6th Feb 2025

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Registration & Breakfast

9:05 AM - 9:15 AM

Opening Blessing & Afrocentric Land acknowledgement

9:20 AM - 9:35 AM

Government-level Greetings

9:40 AM - 10:20 AM

Keynote Address: Unpacking Black Canadians access to Justice through the Lens of Social History and Systemic Context

10:25 AM - 11:25 AM

Panel Discussion: Understanding the workings of intersectionality organizations within the ambit of the Justice system.

11:35 AM - 11:55 AM

Health Break, Afrocentric Marketplace, Poster Presentation

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Lunch

1:05 PM - 1:55 PM

Plenary Session: Saskatchewan Scorecard on poverty reduction: A focus on Black and other minority communities.

2:00 PM - 2:40 PM

Plenary Session: Addressing Anti-Black racism in Saskatchewan using National Healing Journey Model

2:45 PM - 2:55 PM

Health Break; Poster Presentation

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Plenary Session: Indigenous and Newcomers charting the path for Truth and reconciliation.

4:05 PM - 4:40 PM

Panel Discussion: Creating safer space for dialogue and relationship building among Indigenous and Newcomers in Saskatchewan.

4:45 PM - 5:00 PM

Wrap up and Poster presentation.



AFROCENTRIC Day 3

SYMPOSIUM 7th Feb 2025

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Breakfast

9:05 AM - 10:00 AM

Plenary Session: Breaking Barriers - Addressing Employment Challenges for Newcomers in Saskatchewan

10:05 AM - 10:45 AM

Plenary Session: Unveiling labour market challenges Black Canadian and other equity deserving minorities face in Saskatchewan

10:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Health Break; Poster Presentation

11:05 AM - 11:55 AM

Plenary Session: Examining the degree of responsiveness of health care institutions and impact of cultural beliefs on Black Health care access within the Black communities.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Lunch

1:05 PM - 1:35 PM

Panel Discussion: Examining responsiveness to HIV testing and linkage to care among Blacks in Saskatchewan.

1:40 PM - 2:10 PM

Plenary session: Highlighting the dynamic challenges and opportunities for Black scholars and knowledge production in Canadian post-secondary institutions.

2:15 PM - 2:55 PM

Panel Discussion 1: Initiating dialogue around anti-Black racism and racial consciousness in academic spaces.

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Recap of the Symposium

3:35 PM - 3:45 PM

Symposium Official closing and networking.