

Campus History Committee Fall 2022 Report

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- **Charge:**
 - Develop the Campus Commemorative Landscape mapping project to inform and make recommendations with regard to naming plans and commemorative opportunities moving forward.
 - Examine the JMU story that is told by or in various publications, offices and groups (e.g., the Student Ambassadors) about the history of campus and develop ways the story being told to our various constituents (including current and prospective students, parents, alumni, the community, etc.) can be more inclusive and complete.

Summary of Current Semester Activity:

The committee met by zoom in Sept, Oct, and November. A Teams site provided collaborative space.

- Provided guided campus history tours in August for ~75 new freshmen and 10 staff in partnership with CS-L for Dukes Making a Difference; the tour was followed by a

facilitated discussion session and Slido polls to gather student responses.

<https://www.jmu.edu/csl/serve/dmad.shtml>

- Provided guided tours to multiple groups of JMU administrators, faculty, and students; about 800 people have experienced the tour so far!
- Created a digital version of the campus history tour for JMU Marketing & Communications for inclusion in the JMU app:
<https://www.jmu.edu/admissions/visit/virtual/index.shtml>
- Planned a spring series of events/activities
- Mulrooney represented JMU at Universities Studying Slavery (USS) fall conference, “Legacies of Slavery, Landscapes of Segregation” at UVa <https://slavery.virginia.edu/fall-2022-universities-studying-slavery-conference-sept-28-oct-1/>
- Mulrooney collaborated with colleagues in Advancement to produce essay on Yuri Nemoto ('46), Madison's first Asian American student, in Madison Magazine <https://www.jmu.edu/news/2022/09/06-madison-magazine-fall-2022-issue-revealed.shtml> and also <https://madisonmagazine.yourwebedition.com/>
- Submitted proposal to present on JMU's work at USS spring meeting (accepted)

Future Work (for spring 2023) Planned:

- Proposing session for JMU Diversity Conference in March
- Presenting at Universities Studying Slavery spring meeting “At this Place” in March at UNC Chapel Hill <https://historyandrace.unc.edu/special-events/>
- Planning an alumni panel discussion for African American History Month and/or Women's History Month
- Proposing a place-based pedagogies session for May Symposium that provides faculty with information and resources to incorporate JMU history into their own courses
- Providing JMU campus history tours:
 - Libraries
 - Admissions
 - Student leaders affiliated with CMSS, SOGIE, ODS etc.