

**Wednesday, February 8, 2012****EVENT: *Opening Panel***

The Heman Sweatt Symposium on Civil Rights is an annual event organized by students, faculty and staff. The symposium is named after Heman Marion Sweatt, the first African American admitted into the UT School of Law after the Supreme Court ruled in the landmark case of *Sweatt v. Painter* in 1950. That decision paved the way for admission of African Americans to formerly segregated colleges and universities across the nation and for the Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Board of Education* four years later.

**5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

### **Advancing Solutions for Men of Color in Higher Education and the Crisis Facing America**

A panel of distinguished scholars and practitioners will provide the framework for discussion of issues related to the education of young men of color including the latest research and best practices.

**John Hargis Hall, 1823 Red River St.**

#### **PANELISTS:**

**Dr. Kevin Foster**, assistant professor, Department of Educational Administration, Center for African and African American Studies, Department of African and African Diaspora Studies, The University of Texas at Austin

**Dr. Mario Garza**, executive director, Indigenous Cultures Institute

**Mr. Neil Horikoshi**, president/executive director, Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund

**Mr. Michael Lofton**, director, African American Men & Boys Harvest Foundation

**Dr. Victor Sáenz**, assistant professor, Department of Educational Administration, The University of Texas at Austin

**Dr. Ronald Williams (moderator)**, vice president, The College Board

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