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“Improving success for Black men is a simple formula, it begins with an authentic care for them as human beings, it necessitates relationships that convey this care, and it is enforced by ‘good’ teaching that links what they are learning to their daily lives” – J. Luke Wood, 3/2014, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans

SPEAKING TOPICS
• Men of Color in Community Colleges
• Boys and Men of Color in Education
• Community College Student Success
• Teaching Men of Color
• Counseling and Advising Men of Color
• Mentoring Boys and Men of Color
• Practices for Empowering Underserved Students
• Building Affirming Campus Climates and Cultures
• Psychosocial Outcomes and Student Success
• Critical Race Theory in Education
• Racial and Gender Microaggressions
• Strategic Planning for Student Equity
• Ethical Leadership and Decision-Making
• Transformative Leadership in Education

J. Luke Wood, PhD, is an Associate Professor of Community College Leadership and the Director of the Doctoral (EdD) Program in Community College/Postsecondary Education Leadership at San Diego State University (SDSU). Wood is an award-winning scholar, who is widely regarded as a leading voice on community college student success and leadership in community colleges.

RESEARCH
Wood’s research investigates factors affecting the success of boys and men of color in education. In particular, his scholarship focuses on men of color in the community college by examining factors affecting student persistence, achievement, attainment, and transfer for these men.

Wood also writes extensively on administration and leadership in community colleges, especially as it relates to the employment of ethical decision-making and data-driven, transformative practice.

Dr. Wood has authored over 80 publications, including six co-authored books, five edited books, and more than 40 peer-reviewed journal articles.
J. Luke Wood, PhD, is Associate Professor of Community College Leadership and the Director of the Doctoral Program in Community College Leadership at San Diego State University (SDSU). Dr. Wood is also Co-Director of the Minority Male Community College Collaborative (M2C3), a national research and practice center that partners with community colleges to support their capacity in advancing outcomes for men of color. M2C3 houses the National Consortium on College Men of Color (NCCMC) which host trainings, information sharing sessions, and provides resources to colleges with initiatives and programs supporting college men of color. In addition to these responsibilities, Wood is also Chair-Elect for the Council on Ethnic Participation (CEP) for the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE), Director of the Center for African American Research and Policy (CAARP), and Co-Editor of the Journal of Applied Research in the Community College (JARCC).

Wood’s research focuses on factors affecting the success of men of color in the community college. In particular, his research examines contributors to student persistence, achievement, attainment, and transfer for these men. Dr. Wood has authored over 80 publications, including six co-authored books, five edited books, and more than 40 peer-reviewed journal articles. Dr. Wood is a former recipient of the Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Fellowship from which he served as research fellow at the Stanford Institute for Higher Education Research (SIHER), Stanford University. Wood received his PhD in Educational Leadership & Policy Studies with an emphasis in Higher Education from Arizona State University (ASU).

"Faculty members must be taught how to engage with men of color, before we can talk about what is “good” teaching, we have to talk about how you build relationships with those men" – J. Luke Wood, 08/2014, KPBS
Some scholars say the recent protests in Ferguson, Mo., highlight the need for changes in how colleges help Black men succeed... “Black men are criminalized in our society, and that affects how police officers and others interact with them, teachers may be thinking, ‘Do I want this student to come to my office hours? Maybe...I don’t want a Black male coming to my office to meet with me one on one’” – J. Luke Wood, 11/2014, New York Times

BOOK PUBLICATIONS


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“The best programs that I know of use data to inform what they do. There’s a lot of people, a long line of people, who can say that they did something, but a very short line of people who can say, they had an effect. You have to use data on the front end and back end to have an effect”. – J. Luke Wood, 6/2014, National Press Club

SELECT PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES


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SELECT AWARDS AND HONORS

• 2014 Recipient, Routledge Author of the Month - November

• 2013 Recipient, Barbara K. Townsend Emerging Scholar Award, Council for the Study of Community Colleges (CSCC)

• 2012 Recipient, Newly Published Research Award, Men and Masculinities Knowledge Community, National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA)

• 2011 Fellow, Young Academic Fellows Program (YAFP), The Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP) and the Lumina Foundation for Education

• 2010 Recipient, Mildred Garcia Award for Exemplary Scholarship, Council on Ethnic Participation (CEP), Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE)

• 2010 Recipient, Outstanding Graduate Award, Arizona State University Alumni Association

• 2009 Recipient, Dean’s Excellence Award for Graduate Research, Mary Lou Fulton School of Education, Arizona State University

• 2009 Fellow, Asa G. Hilliard III & Barbara A. Sizemore Fellow for Research on African-Americans, American Educational Research Association, Research Focus on Black Education

• 2007 Recipient, California State University, Sally Casanova Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Completed summer research fellowship at the Stanford Institute for Higher Education Research at Stanford University, sponsored by the California State University

• 2007 Recipient, “Top 30 under 30” Award, Sacramento Observer

• 2007 Co-Recipient, Distinguished Fellows Presentation Award, International Society for the Exploration of Teaching in Learning

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