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# **Achieving Access and Success in Higher Education**

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Dr. Frank W. Hale, Jr. is Vice Provost and Professor Emeritus at The Ohio State University where he served from 1971-1988. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska where he was awarded a B.A. and M.A. in Communication, Political Science and English. He received his Ph.D. in Communication and Political Science from The Ohio State University and was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship from the University of London. Serving in the field of higher education for fifty years, Hale has held full professorships at Central State University (Ohio), Oakwood College (Alabama) and The Ohio State University. At Ohio State, he served as Associate Dean and Chairman of the Fellowship Committee of the Graduate School, as Vice Provost for Minority Affairs, as Assistant to the President and now as Distinguished University Representative and Consultant.

Dr. Hale has authored and edited books and more than 50 articles in professional journals and has lectured at more than 250 colleges and universities and at 50 state and national conferences. Hale has received hundreds of awards and citations including the Frederick Douglass Patterson Award, the United Negro College Fund's highest award and the Distinguished Service Award for Human Rights and Social Change of National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC).

As a scholar, researcher, author, teacher, administrator, consultant and civil rights crusader, Hale was the engineer of many new initiatives at The Ohio State University. He founded the Graduate and Professional Scholars Program and the Ohio State Mu Xi Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Mu Honorary Society. Through his efforts, nearly \$15 million in graduate fellowship awards were granted to approximately 1,200 minority students. Eighty percent of these fellowship recipients earned masters and/ or doctoral degrees. As a capstone to his illustrious career, The Ohio State University Board of Trustees voted him Vice Provost and Professor Emeritus, naming in his honor the Frank W. Hale, Jr. Black Cultural Center and designated the building in which it is housed as Hale Hall. An endowed scholarship has also been established in his name. Dr. Hale opens the 2001 conference with his keynote address titled, "Achieving Access and Success in Higher Education."