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Quick Facts

- Jones-DeWeever, who will speak at 7 p.m. in Plowden Auditorium, will discuss "We've Come Too Far to Turn Back Now: Black Women in the Wake of the Great Recession."
- An accomplished scholar, writer and public speaker, Jones-DeWeever is an authority on race and gender in the American economy, poverty in urban communities, inequality of educational and economic opportunity, and issues of privilege, power and policy in the United States.



Avis Jones-DeWeever

ROCK HILL, S.C. – Avis Jones-DeWeever, executive director of the National Council of Negro Women, the nation's oldest organization dedicated to the advancement of both civil rights and women's rights, will be the keynote speaker for the 11th Dorothy Perry Thompson Colloquium in African American Studies and the African American Experience on March 19.

Jones-DeWeever, who will speak at 7 p.m. in Plowden Auditorium, will discuss "We've Come Too Far to Turn Back Now: Black Women in the Wake of the Great Recession."

An accomplished scholar, writer and public speaker, Jones-DeWeever is an authority on race and gender in the American economy, poverty in urban communities, inequality of educational and economic opportunity, and issues of privilege, power and policy in the United States. She has devoted her professional life to examining how policies impact the lives of women and communities of color while also seeing to advance effective programmatic solutions to long-standing societal challenges.

Sponsored by Winthrop's minor in African American Studies program, the colloquium honors late English professor Dorothy Perry Thompson, founder of Winthrop's minor in African American Studies. The colloquium, an approved cultural event for students, is free and open to the public.

Contact Adolphus Belk, associate professor of political science and director of the minor in African American Studies, at 803/323-4581 or belka@winthrop.edu for more information about the colloquium.

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