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Dr. Ural Hill Spearheads Mental Health Initiative at TSU

Dr. Ural Hill, Assistant Professor of Counseling in the College of Education has received a student-centered grant titled: “Healing Ourselves through Excellence and Preparation: Reducing the Stigma of Seeking Mental Health Services on an HBCU Campus”. Awarded through Morehouse School of Medicine, this project is funded by the United States Department of Health and Human Services - Health Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration.

This initiative will be a collaborative effort between the Counseling Department of the College of Education, the University Counseling Center, and the Student Health Center of Student Services, and the Department of Psychology of the College of Liberal Arts and Behavioral Sciences. This collaboration will expose students to the full range of Mental Health Services in an interdisciplinary, intergenerational and solution focused manner. Dr. Hill and a team will work with ongoing service providers on campus and align the initiative with the organizational objectives of Texas Southern University in becoming an Urban Global Academic Village.

For more information on the mental health initiative at TSU, you may contact Dr. Ural Hill at hillu@tsu.edu or at 713-313-7399.

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