

**CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
EAST CLEVELAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PROVOST SCHOLARS  
Intensive University Seminar  
Session Thirteen – Spring 2015  
Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 2:30pm-5:00pm  
Guilford House, 11112 Bellflower Road, Cleveland, OH 44106**

**Purpose**

The Provost Scholars will discuss racial disparities in healthcare with Professor Ruqaiijah Yearby, a Professor of Law and the Associate Director of the Law-Medicine Center at CWRU. There will also be an opportunity to learn how racial bias affects the health of African Americans and how education and employment are tied to health disparities.

**Presenter Biography**



Professor Ruqaiijah A. Yearby is a Professor of Law and Associate Director of the Law-Medicine Center at Case Western Reserve University's School of Law where she teaches Contracts, Health Care Regulation, and Bioethics. A nationally and internationally recognized scholar and presenter, Yearby's scholarship focuses on two emerging fields of health law: 1) law, justice and medical research and 2) racial disparities in health care. Due to her expertise in these areas, she has served as a book proposal reviewer for the Oxford University Press and the Cambridge University Press. Professor Yearby earned her master's degree in Public Health from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health and her law degree from Georgetown University Law Center, where she was on the Dean's List.

**Objectives**

**The Provost Scholars will...**

- (1) Gain an understanding of racial disparities in healthcare
- (2) Learn about the effects of education and employment on health disparities for African Americans

**Agenda**

- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.: The Provost Scholars will have a light snack  
2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.: The Scholars will receive Homework Help from Undergraduate Tutors  
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Seminar Speaker, Professor Ruqaiijah Yearby  
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Wrap up, reflection and preparation for the journey home

**Faculty**

- Dr. Faye Gary
- Katrice Williams, Master's Student, Program Manager
- Imani Scruggs, Master's Student, Group Facilitator
- Undergraduate tutors from the Step Up Program and the African-American Society

**Guest**

- Professor Ruqaiijah Yearby, Professor of Law

**Concierge and Matre'D**

- Provost Scholars Brianna Moore and Jayme Mullins

**Word of the Week: Arrhythmia; Synonyms: Cardiovascular disease.** What is the definition of arrhythmia? Any disturbance in an individual's heartbeat rhythm.