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**Seymour discusses education of black males at Craven Community College**

Saint Augustine's College professor Dr. James Seymour will present "A Blue-Eyed Perspective on the Education of African-American Males" from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at Craven Community College in New Bern.

Seymour, head of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Saint Augustine's College, has spent most of his career working in cross-cultural education, including 12 years at a theological college in Zimbabwe, Africa. One of Seymour's key focal points in education, both in Africa and at a historically black college, is what he calls the three Rs: respect, rapport and relationship. He considers these elements as key factors in reaching out to students in a meaningful way and creating an environment where learning is most likely to occur.

Two students from Saint Augustine's College's Christian Ministry program, Armon Lowery and Joseph Kwaponge, will join Seymour for his presentation at Craven Community College. Lowery will sing a medley of Negro spirituals. Kwaponge, from Ghana, West Africa, will share his story about the fulfillment of his dream to study in America. The presentation is part of a faculty development session at Craven Community College.

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