The **Department of History** and the **Year of Delta Heritage** are sponsoring the **Eleventh Annual Sammy O. Crawford Memorial Lecture** in History

The lecture is on Monday, April 21, at 7:00 pm in Jobe Auditorium

The topic is:

"Race, Memory and Historical Responsibility: What Do Southerners Do with a Difficult Past?"

The lecture is presented by **Dr. Larry Griffin**, a DSU graduate who is now a professor of history and sociology at the University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill

Assignment: Attend the lecture by Dr. Griffin. At the lecture, find the professor, Dr. Barton, or the graduate assistant, Eric Atchison, and **sign the roll sheet**.

After the lecture, prepare a **two-page essay** on the topic assigned below. Submit the paper by the beginning of class on **Tuesday**, **April 29**. Your paper should be typed and should follow the standard format for an essay.

You can earn up to **5 points of extra credit** for completing this assignment. The extra credit points will be added to your semester total. No points will be deducted for any work submitted for this assignment.

Topic: Write your essay on this topic:

How has race influenced the development of Southern society, historically? Is race still important in social relations in the South? If so, how does race affect Southern society today? If not, what has changed that has reduced the importance of race in the South? What will be the future of race relations in the South?

Do your best to apply sociological insights in your essay. Your essay should demonstrate that you understood Dr. Griffin's lecture, but the best essays will incorporate concepts from SOC 101, and apply these concepts to the material that Dr. Griffin presents.