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Bonner Leaders Program Overview



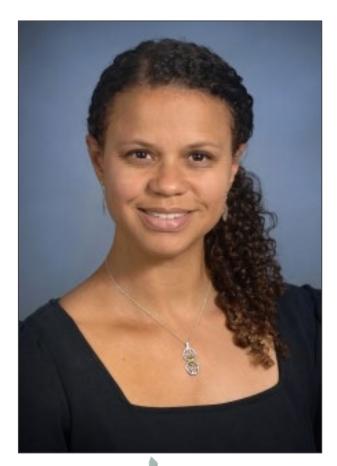


The UNC Charlotte Bonner Leaders Program develops civic leaders by connecting students to Charlotte - area organizations through curriculum, internships, and community-based research in order to achieve a just and equitable society.



Bonner Leaders Program Director

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Dr. Tamara Johnson

As Director of Engaged Scholarship in Urban Research and Community Engagement, Dr. Johnson works to elevate the culture of civic learning and community engagement at UNC Charlotte by creating pathways, processes, and connections that make community-based research and learning in the Charlotte area more accessible for faculty and students. She studied as a Fulbright Scholar in South Africa and received a Ph.D. in Geography from UNC Chapel Hill in 2011.

Urban Research and Community Engagement



Bonner Leaders Program Community Placement



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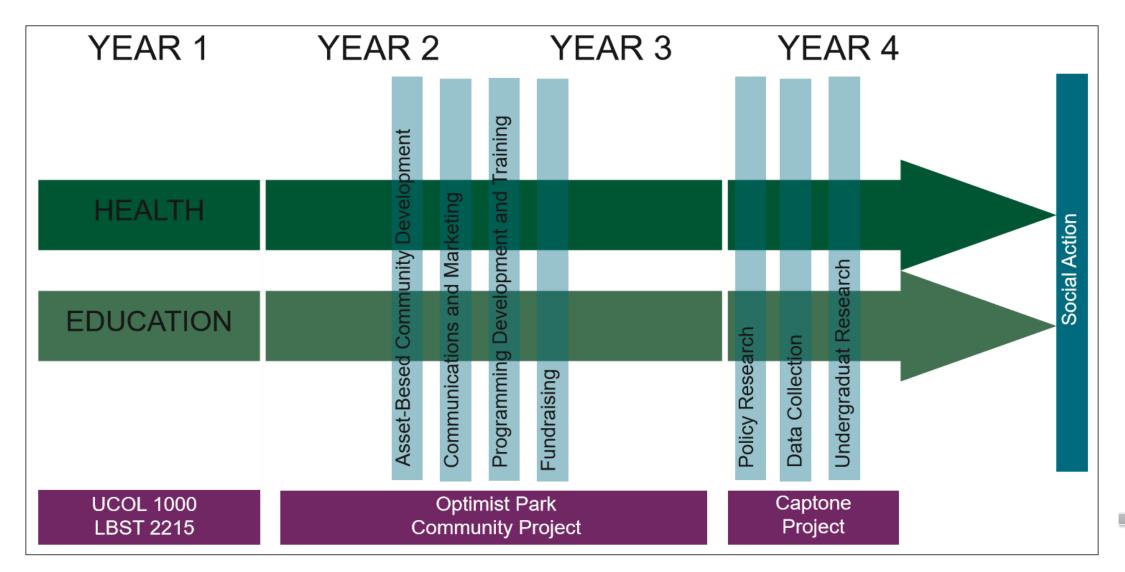
Funded through Federal Work Study

10-13 hours/week at \$12/hour



Program Expectations and Opportunities

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Bonner Leaders Program Community Partners



Bonner Leaders Assembly – Mondays 3pm



- Program Orientation
- Leadership skill-building
- Identity and Engagement
- Business Ethics



Bonner Leaders Critical Thinking Course (Spring Semester)



- Builds on asset-based mapping assignment in Fall semester course
- Examines civic responsibility
- Explores Charlotte's historical context for racial disparity
- Engages with local knowledge and grassroots organizations

Annual Charleston Trip





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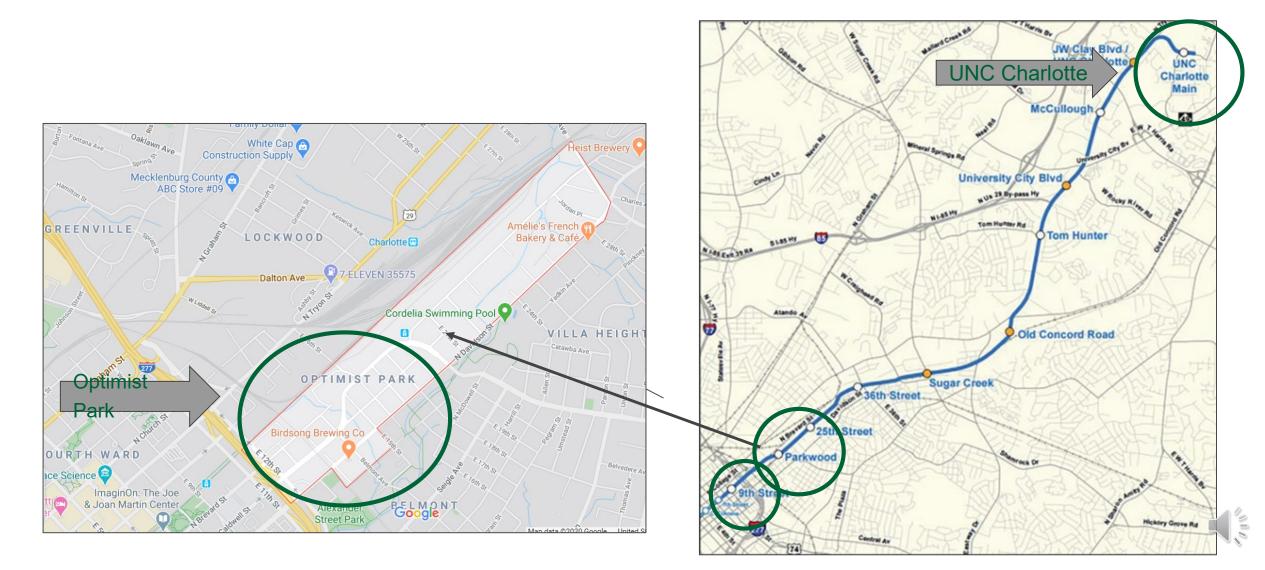
- MLK Weekend
- Examining an Old South City
- Community-Building





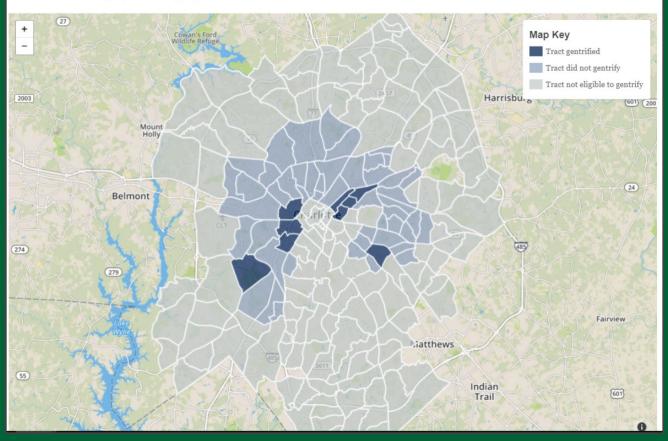
Optimist Park Project

Where is Optimist Park?



Gentrification in Optimist Park

Charlotte Gentrification Map: 2000 Census - Present Click a tract to display its demographic data:







Community Engagement as a Key Pillar for Activities and Action Plan



Knowledge and Resources

- Engage Elected Officials
- Tax Relief Fund Development
- Communication Strategy
- Oral History Project
- Financial and Computer Literacy





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