



# GENEVA GAY

## CARTER G. WOODSON SCHOLARS MEDALLION

Geneva Gay recently retired from her esteemed position as a professor of education at the University of Washington–Seattle. There, she instructed prospective teachers on the topic of her seminal work *Culturally Responsive Teaching: Theory, Research, and Practice*. Dr. Gay began her teaching career as a high school social studies teacher in Akron, Ohio. When she decided to pursue a PhD, she found that there were no doctoral programs in the country in multicultural education. Instead, she studied cultural anthropology, which set the stage for her internationally known theory and best practices in multicultural education. Her work is focused on curriculum design, staff development, classroom instruction, and intersections of culture, race, ethnicity, teaching, and learning. Dr. Gay has written professional books and innumerable articles on the topic of culturally responsive pedagogy.