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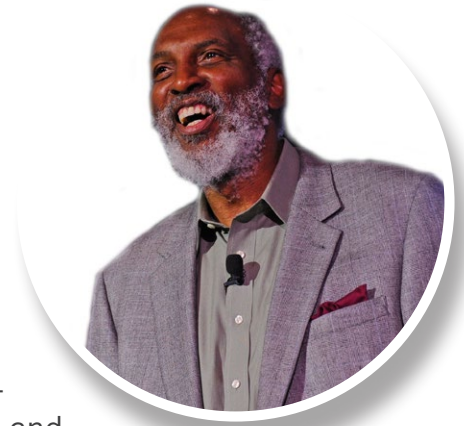
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## From Haas Institute Director john a. powell

The Haas Institute is a special place with a unique mission. What distinguishes us is an emphasis on promoting inclusion holistically and focussing on making a difference. Together with our more than 90 affiliated faculty members from UC Berkeley—many leading scholars in their fields—the Haas Institute is bridging the academic and the real world with innovative and game-changing research.



I'm pleased to present our latest newsletter that provides updates on recent research, publications, and events that continue to propel our work forward. During the period this newsletter covers, our affiliated faculty members have consulted with heads of state such as President Obama and Pope Francis (*see our faculty activities on p. 31*), educated and informed stakeholders about the global food environment, conducted critical inquiry and scholarship about a world without systems that incarcerate individuals with disabilities, and championed LGBTQ citizenship and disability rights as civil rights.

Many threads of our work were woven into our first national Othering & Belonging Conference (*see p. 8*). The conference explored the ramifications and mechanisms of Othering and the vision of what a society with Belonging at its center can become. Over 650 attendees from many walks of life came together to learn, share, and celebrate through music, dance, scholarship, advocacy, and community. The conference's agenda highlighted the work and efforts of our contemporaries making great strides toward inclusiveness in all its forms.

As we continue to grow and take on new challenges, our work will continue to be collaborative and innovative. Between these pages are our some of current efforts and recent accomplishments, as well as a glimpse into where our work will continue to take us. ■

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