



December 4, 2008

Dear College Officer:

I am pleased to announce that the Fattah Conference on Higher Education will convene its 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Graduate Opportunities Conference on Thursday, February 5 through Monday, February 9, 2009 at the Sheraton Philadelphia City Center Hotel, located at 17<sup>th</sup> and Race Streets in Philadelphia, PA. Over twenty years ago, Congressman Chaka Fattah had a vision: create an environment where minority students would convene annually to be further motivated and inspired to reach beyond undergraduate school, and take the next step in completing the educational circle to pursue Masters and terminal degrees.

On the heels of last year's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual conference, we are excited about the tremendous success that we have achieved over the years, the students that have benefited from this conference, as well as the lives that have been changed as a result of the commitment from schools throughout the region. Key to this has been the personal resolve from individuals such as you. We have grown and succeeded together and I sincerely thank you.

Each year we evaluate trends and review student responses on the evaluation forms. In an attempt to be responsive to students' needs, we have made a few enhancements. One of these enhancements is the **Graduate School Fair**. In an effort to maximize exposure for your graduate programs, we are scheduling the Fair on **Saturday, February 7 from 2 – 5 PM and Sunday February 8 from 10 AM - 1 PM**. There will be approximately 900 undergraduates in attendance from colleges and universities along the eastern seaboard.

We invite you or another representative of your institution to participate in the Graduate School Fair. Registration for the conference can be done via email, fax or [www.fattahconference.com](http://www.fattahconference.com). The cost to register each college or school within your university for the 2-day event is \$200.00.

Completed registration forms, hotel reservations and any questions and/or comments should be directed to Ms. Sharon Diggs at 215.472.2500 and fax number **215.472.2440**. Again, thank you for the continued support and participation of your university as we look forward to another twenty years of future success.

Sincerely,

*Karen E. Nicholas*

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Conference Director



## GRADUATE OPPORTUNITIES CONFERENCE

Sheraton Philadelphia City Center Hotel  
17<sup>th</sup> & Race Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19103

**Graduate School Fair Registration Form**  
**Saturday, February 7, 2009 2:00 PM- 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday, February 8, 2009 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
*GRADUATE ADMISSIONS*

University Name: \_\_\_\_\_

College or School: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee is \$200.00 per table. Check should be made out to Fattah Conference on Higher Education.**

**Please Mail or Fax Form By 01/16/09 to:**

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