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## 9:35 - 11:00 am CONCURRENT SESSIONS

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### **PANEL 1: Social Equity, Service Delivery and Disincentives to Work**

**Moderator:** Dr. Phillip Omunga, Savannah State University

**Presenters:**

*COVID-19 and Challenges to Service Delivery*

Dr. Kristie Roberts-Lewis, Southern University and A & M College

*Is the Unemployment Compensation Policy a Disincentive to Find Work? A Study of the Unemployed Within the East Baton Rouge Parish Metropolitan Area*

Dr. Donovan Segura, Southern University and A & M College

*Spotlighting the Georgia Grown, Artesian Renaissance: A Narrative for New Social Equity to Help the USA Heal Its 1619 Racial Divide*

Dr. Veronica Adams-Cooper, Albany State University

### **PANEL 2: What Should Georgia Do to Combat Covid-19 Racial Disparities?**

**Moderator:** Dr. Leora Waldner, Professor & Associate Dean, Troy University

**Discussants:**

Erika Barnes-Ford, MPA Graduate-Troy University

Steven Maxwell, MPA Graduate-Troy University

Keisha Tramel, MPA Graduate – Troy University

Catherine White, MPA Graduate – Troy University

*Covid-19 continues to deeply and disproportionately affect Black, Hispanic, and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders in the State of Georgia. What is the current extent of the disparities, and more importantly: what should Georgia do to address Covid-19 racial disparities?*

*We culled best practices from states and local governments across the country through an extensive media literature review. This research, conducted as our final capstone project in the Master of Public Administration program at Troy University, yielded a wealth of*