

Charge to Commission on Memory and History at Duke University

The charge to the Commission on Memory and History at Duke is three-fold:

- Propose principles to guide the president and the Board of Trustees when an issue arises related to the appropriateness of a memorial or the naming of a facility on campus. These principles should reflect the deep values of the university and serve the university over many years rather than focus on a specific issue;
- Having established these principles, apply them in recommending options to the president regarding the now vacant space in the front of Duke Chapel; and
- Provide input to the president and the secretary of the Board of Trustees as they develop procedures for applying the principles to any future issue related to the appropriateness of a memorial or the naming of a facility on campus.

The commission is encouraged to review the work of other universities who have engaged in similar efforts and to consult broadly with the many constituencies in the Duke community, ensuring that the commission's process is open and inclusive.

The commission is to complete its work and report to the president by November 17, 2017.

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President
August 24, 2017