OPERATION TRIANGULATION

Understanding TCU’s History from Three Windows in Time

A THREE-DIMENSIONAL APPROACH

Founded in 1873, TCU has nearly 150 years of history to account for. The Race & Reconciliation Initiative (RRI) will canvas this timeframe by chunking into smaller sections three key periods crucial for understanding TCU’s relationship with slavery, racism and the Confederacy. These three periods will then point us towards direction for future engagement.

THE FOUNDING YEARS 1861-1891

This first window in time spans the start of the Civil War to the start of the Jim Crow era. The overarching research question for this period is: How did the institution of enslavement affect TCU’s identity formation?

TRANSITION TO INTEGRATION 1941-1971

This second window in time spans the start of World War II and Chancellor Sadler’s tenure to then-high water mark of the 1st black Miss TCU. The overarching research question for this period is: How do systemic racism & discrimination continue to manifest?

RECENT BUT RELATED HISTORIES 1998-2020

This third window in time spans Chancellor Ferrari’s tenure until the academic year 2019-2020. The overarching research question for this period is: How do we embrace and face the Shadows of the Confederacy in the building of our future legacy?

Task Force [G] conducts historical inventories regarding how we tell our story and memorialize it via statues, paintings, and names of buildings.

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