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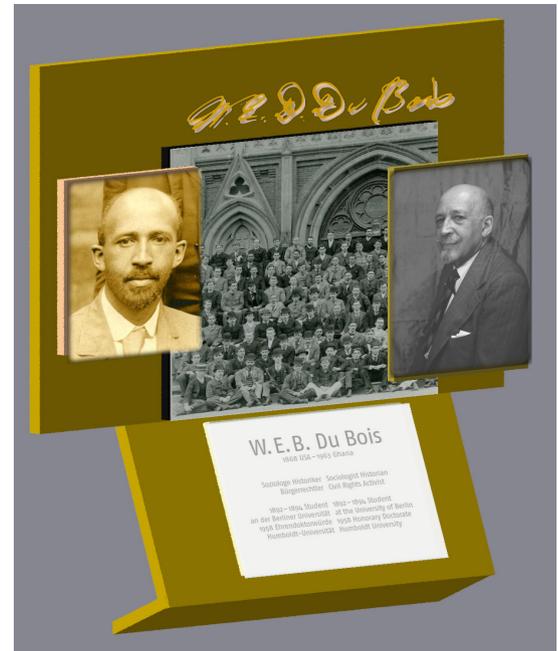
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W. E. B. Du Bois Plaque



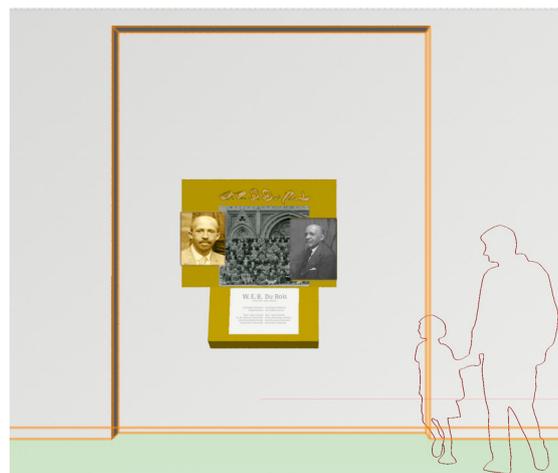
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William Edward Burghardt Du Bois, one of the leading figures in twentieth-century sociology, history, journalism, literature, and civil rights activism, studied at what is now Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin in the years 1892-1894. While his scholarship did not allow him to complete his doctorate here, his stay in Berlin and his studies with German economists, sociologists, and historians proved very influential for his thinking. Du Bois became the author of such seminal works as *The Souls of Black Folk* (1903), the editor of *The Crisis* (1920-1934), and the co-founder of both the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP, 1909) and the Fifth Pan-African Congress (1945). In 1958, Humboldt-Universität awarded him an honorary doctorate.

For over twenty years, the American Studies Program has honored Du Bois's legacy at Humboldt-Universität through two lecture series: the W. E. B. Du Bois Lectures and the Distinguished W. E. B. Du Bois Lectures. However, there is no visible tribute to him on the university grounds.

In order to install a plaque at Humboldt-Universität we set an initial goal of 10.000 €.

Your donation can help to commemorate W. E. B. Du Bois permanently in the university's main building.



We are very pleased that internationally acclaimed artist Jean-Ulrick Désert has agreed to design the plaque. Du Bois will be the first U.S.-American and the first Person of Color to be honored by Humboldt-Universität; he is also the first person to be honored as a former student.

Donors will be mentioned on the memorial website if they wish.