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Sylvia Wynter, professor emerita at Stanford University, will serve as visiting professor in the Department of Literature at the University of California, San Diego May 21-30. She will lecture on That the Future May Finally Commence: To Rethink the Study of Letters at 4 p.m. May 28 in the deCerteau Room of the Literature Building on the UCSD campus. The lecture is free and open to the public.

A Caribbean writer and scholar, Wynter has held dual roles as professor of African and African-American Studies and as professor in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at Stanford. Prior to her appointment there in 1977, she served as professor of Comparative and Spanish literature at UCSD. She also has served as supervisor of Caribbean Interdisciplinary Studies, a research project for honors graduates, at the University of the West Indies in Jamaica.

Early in her career, Wynter worked with a group of London-based Caribbean writers. She wrote plays for the BBC and a novel, The Hills of Hebron, published in London and New York. Her academic career has included numerous scholarly publications on Caribbean culture, development in Africa, multicultural issues, and literary criticism. She is currently working on The Third Event: After Man, Towards the Human, a collection of major essays.

Wynter received her bachelor's degree with honors from the University of Madrid and her master's degree from the University of London, King's College.

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