



MULTICULTURAL
CENTER AT THE
OHIO STATE
UNIVERSITY



MCC Intergroup Council

Multicultural Center – Your Connection to Intercultural Diversity

Our Vision

Universal participation in establishing an intellectually vibrant and socially just community.

Our Mission

To facilitate the inclusive shared learning experiences of students where all can engage in dialogue, challenge barriers, and build collaborative relationships.

Our Values

TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION: We contribute to the academic mission of the university by facilitating thought-provoking and participatory learning experiences.

COMMUNITY: We actively build an inclusive and positive environment for all members

of The Ohio State University community.

COLLABORATION: We recognize that this important work on behalf of students is most effective when we pool our collective wisdom and resources.

INNOVATION: We continually enhance our services and vision by being

open to, seeking and creatively implementing new ideas.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: We inspire individuals and groups to examine systems of privilege and oppression.

EMPOWERMENT: We engage individuals and groups to develop their own sense of power in order to bring about social change.

The Dynamic Multicultural Timeline Celebrated in the Multicultural Center **1969-2009**

Although the **Multicultural Center** opened at OSU in 2001, there is a wide range of history represented among the programmatic areas and initiatives in the MCC. Some offices have existed on campus for up to 40 years with “origin stories” directly linked to the civil rights era.

Over the span of 30 years prior to the 2001 opening, **African American Student Services (AFAMSS)**, **American Indian Student Services (AISS)**, **Asian American Student Services (ASAMSS)**, **Hispanic Student Services (HSS)**, **Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Student Services (GLBTSS)**, and **Women Student Services (WSS)** had variously formed, the result of direct actions taken by students and community members.

Since 2001, additional programming areas include – **New Diversity Initiatives (NDI)**, **National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI)**, **Bias Assessment and Response Team (BART)** and **Intergroup Relations (IGR)**.

As per recommendations from our program review and strategic planning process 2005-2007, in 2008, the MCC launched an **intercultural programming model**, where all programmatic areas are headed by Intercultural Specialists, liaisons to specific constituency groups, and responsive inclusively to all members of the OSU community concerning intercultural relations.

2008 - 2010

Bi-Annual Theme:
Transformation --
What's YOUR Story?

MCC Programs & Initiatives 09 - 10

Please see our on-line calendar for dates and locations of these & other MCC events.

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NEW MCC COURSE! Intergroup Dialogue (EDU P&L 270.04)

Intergroup Dialogues are 2-credit courses carefully structured to explore social group identity, conflict, community, and social justice. IGD engages students to explore issues of diversity and inequality and their personal and social responsibility for building a more just society.

SIGNATURE PROGRAMS/EVENTS

Cultural & Community Celebrations:

- Drums & Dough! An Intercultural Journey through Music & Breads (Sept)
- AfAm Family Affair & Reunion (Sept)
- Asian Organizations Mixer (Oct)
- La Fiesta/Dia de los Muertos/Honoring Our Ancestors (Oct)
- Thanksgiving Alternative/Harvest Celebration (Nov)
- AfAm Thanksgiving (Nov)
- Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration (Dec)
- MLK Day event (Jan)
- One Asian Nation Semi-Formal (Feb)
- Powwow (Apr)
- Annual African American Heritage Festival (Apr/May)
- ExplorAsia (May)
- Asian Festival (May)
- MCC Annual Awards Ceremony (May)
- Rainbow GLBT Graduation (May)
- Indigenous Students Graduation (May)
- Latin@ Graduation Ceremony (May)
- Black Students Graduation (May)

History & Awareness:

- Hispanic/Latino/a Heritage (Oct & Apr)
- GLBT National Coming Out Day and History (Oct)
- American Indian Newark Earthworks visit (Oct)
- American Indian/Indigenous Awareness & Heritage (Nov & May)
- Asian American Day of Remembrance (Jan)
- United Black World Month (Feb)
- National Eating Disorders Awareness Week (Feb-Mar)
- Women's History (Mar)
- Indigenous HIV/AIDS Awareness (Mar)
- International Women's Day event (Mar)
- National Day of Silence (Apr)
- Asian Pacific American Awareness Heritage Month (May)

INITIATIVES

Student Cohorts & Leadership:

- Council of Black Leaders
- GLBT First Year Cohort
- La Alianza Leadership Academy
- Women's Leadership Initiative
- Social Justice Cohort
- Latino SUR - Strength, Unity & Respect
- AGiYa/Mujer/Woman Coalition
- Asian Student Leadership Conference
- Intergroup Council
- Diversity Leadership Transcript Program
- GLBT Leaders Council
- GLBT Programming Board
- GLBT Ally Project

What's YOUR Story? -- Monthly Dialogues

- Indigenous Identity Dialogue Series
- Intercultural Leadership Series
- Go There! Series
- Learn From Your Community
- Nourish YOURself
- Y Tu Quien Eres?
- Common Ground

Trainings:

- National Coalition Building Institute
- Diversity Toolbox
- Intercultural Topics Presentations

Collaborative Grants

Application deadlines:
Nov, Jan, Apr

BART

Bias Assessment and Response Team

SPECIAL in 2009-2010

- Intergroup Relations Rollout (Sept)
- Grand Opening Ohio Union space (Apr)
- OSU StoryBox Return Festival (Jun)

Sampling of MCC Academic Collaborations

Center for Latin American Studies
Department of Women's Studies
Asian American Studies
Dept of African American & African Studies
College of Arts and Sciences
Center for Teaching & Writing
The Women's Place
American Indian Studies
First Year Experience (FYE)
Office of Minority Affairs
Office of International Affairs
College of Education and Human Ecology
College of Optometry
Department of Theatre
College of Public Health
Department of Sociology
Department of History
College of Engineering
College of Humanities
Dept of Comparative Studies
Dept of English
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Todd A. Bell National Resource Center on the AfAm Male
Frank W. Hale Center
College of Math & Physical Sci
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