OID's SPRING 2014 EVENTS & WORKSHOPS CALENDAR

Things My Favorite Professors Do
*Students Only* (Co-facilitated by Jaemin Wilson, Junior, English Major)
Date: Friday, January 31, 2014
Time: 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 252
How do you know when you have a professor who supports diversity? How do you respectfully engage a professor who does not? Join your classmates as we discuss these questions and find solutions for making our campus more welcoming? The session will urge students to consider what it means to confidently model diversity-based leadership in the classroom.

FEBRUARY

In Celebration of Black History Month
OID’s Signature Speaker Series: Former NAACP Chairman, Julian Bond
Date: Friday, February 7, 2014
Time: 6 p.m.
Location: Physicians Memorial Auditorium

Undoing Racism
(Co-facilitated by Prof. Adé Ogunyin, Department of Sociology and Anthropology)
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2014
Time: 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 104
This dialogue will allow us to explore the interconnected nature of interpersonal, institutional and internalized racism and share strategies for coping with racism as a teacher based on prior experiences and inquiries.

Sweetgrass Basket Weaving Workshop
Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2014
Time: 4–7 p.m.
Location: Avery Research Center, McKinley Washington Auditorium, 125 Bull Street
This event is a collaborative effort between the Edisto Gambier Diversity Education and Resource Center and the Avery Research Center.

Environmental Justice
(Co-facilitated by Prof. Todd LeVasseur, Department of Religious Studies/Environmental Studies Program)
Date: Friday, February 21, 2014
Time: 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 250
What does environmental justice have to do with race, class, gender and ability? Find out as we discuss topics such as resource scarcity, food deserts, environmental racism, toxic dumping, and other matters we hope will increase our collective compassion for the planet.

Celebrating Diversity Mardi Gras Style
Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2014
Time: 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 241

MARCH

Women and Transgender Unity
*Students Only* (Co-facilitated by Bri Sands, Junior, WGS Major)
Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2014
Time: 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 248

Women and Transgender Unity
*Faculty & Staff Only* (Co-facilitated by Dr. Patricia Williams-Lessans, Director, Avery Research Center)
Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2014
Time: 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 252
In cultural differences mean it is difficult for us to unite as women and transpeople on campus? Do we support one another when we speak up about gender discrimination and its intersection with other oppressions? And how do we commit to working towards an understanding of the world based on credentials, age or status? Please bring your hopes, fears and intentions for creating more unity within and across gender identities.

In Celebration of Women History Month
OID’s Signature Speaker Series: Eddie Ganaway Diversity Education and Resource Center (EGDERC): Diversity Film Series
Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2014
Time: 5 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 252

Miss Representation
Film: Miss Representation
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014
Time: 5 p.m.
Location: Health Science Center, Avery Research Center
This film investigates the modeling of women in media and explores the impact that media has on young girls as they make choices about their lives. What does it mean to confidently model diversity in the media?

Environmental Justice
(Co-facilitated by Prof. Reba Parker, Department of Religious Studies/Environmental Studies Program)
Date: Thursday, March 27, 2014
Time: 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 252
What does it mean to confidently model diversity-based leadership? Join us to discuss the key ideas in Dr. Treuer’s latest book and how we can equip ourselves with new tools to confront common misconceptions about the First Americans.

Native American History: Not Just at Thanksgiving
(Co-facilitated by Ruthlyn Veney, EGDERC Coordinator)
Date: Thursday, March 27, 2014
Time: 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 104
As Dr. Anton Treuer (Ojibwe) emphasized in his CofC lecture last November, we are all responsible for learning and teaching Native American history. This dialogue will be designed around one of the key ideas in Dr. Treuer’s latest book and will equip us all with tools to confront common misconceptions about the First Americans.

APRIL

3rd Annual College of Charleston Student Diversity Conference
Date: Friday & Saturday, April 11–12, 2014

The Stories We Tell: Crafting Critical Narratives for Social Change
(Co-facilitated by Prof. Raba Parker, Department of Sociology and Anthropology)
Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2014
Time: 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 248
The stories we tell about ourselves and the world around us have the power to both preserve and distort the truth. We will explore the role of narratives within our own educational and real-life experiences and the ways in which narratives associated with our own education and real-life experiences may have shaped our experiences and transformed culture.

Stand Against Racism
(Co-facilitated by Dr. Sau-Ellen Lee, Department of Religious Studies/Environmental Studies Program)
Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2014
Time: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Location: Cougar Mall

Power & Identity in the “Campus” Workplace *Staff Only* (Co-facilitated by Maria Robertson, Business Affairs)
Date: Thursday, April 24, 2014
Time: 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: RSS, Rm. 248
This dialogue will focus on the power dynamics that shape the work environment for college employees. Do you feel the work of staff members is underrecognized compared to the work of faculty? How do we navigate workplace tensions resulting from power imbalances? How do we maintain our personal and professional well-being? Please come and share insights that can help others feel empowered and supported.

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