



Equity Minded Practitioners
September 26, 2023
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Meeting Notes



Land Acknowledgement

Michael Felix opened the meeting with the land acknowledgement:

College of the Canyons recognizes and acknowledges the first people of this ancestral and unceded territory of Chaguayanga & Mapipingna that are now occupied by our college campuses; honors their elders, past and present, and the descendants who are citizens of the Fernandño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians. We recognize that the tribe is still here and we are committed to lifting up their stories, culture, and community.

Updates/Announcements

- a. Intercultural Center – Flavio Medina-Martin
 - An Interview with Shelby Steele on October 12, 2023, 2:00pm-3:00pm University Center. This will be an hour-long event that will discuss the impact of contemporary social programs, such as affirmative action, on race relations in American society.
- b. Dreamers Together – Marilyn Jimenez
 - FLEX session-compassion series, Esther Villega-Sandoval spoke about safe and welcoming space for students. Attended by faculty and staff
 - Oct 18, 2023, 2:00pm – 3:30pm- Intro to Compassion Series: Compassion in Everyday Life, A Student/Ally Perspective, Speaker: Esther Villegas-Sandoval- Associate Professor of Sociology College of the Sequoias (Former COC Faculty)
- c. CETL – Robert Wonser and Julie Johnson
 - Working on a few different courses around culturally responsive teaching including the well-rounded teaching certificate for Spring 2024
 - Brent Riffel wrote the curriculum for the ISP
 - Accessibility class starting Nov 9, 2023
 - Critical thinking class on Spring 2024
 - CRPP grant – accessibility and exclusiveness curriculum
- d. Alliances – Cice Asberry and Ryan Valenzuela-Holguin
 - BSA first meeting September 26, 2023, 1:00pm
 - LatinX alliance meeting on September 28, 2023, 11:00am
 - NAIA meeting October 3, 2023, 2:30pm
 - NAIA Acorn Walk October 13, 2023



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- POWOW will be on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 11:00am to 5:00pm at William S Hart park
- We are looking for Alliance leads - ASA, GSA contact Intercultural Center if interested

Anti-Racism Speaker Series at COC, future speaker suggestions – Pamela Williams-Páez

Speaker suggestions-

- Ibram X Kendi – group can start with reading “How to be an Anti-Racist book”
- Professor Bickel, he mentored a lot of people, he’s a sociology professor, started and lead programs for formerly incarcerated
- Ta-Nehisi Coates - award-winning author and journalist
- Tania Mitchell Univ Minnesota professor- civic identity, social justice. Written critical pedagogy. 2008/09 wrote critical service learning article
- Dr. Tia McNair, author of Equity Talk to Equity Walk
- Dr. Eric Smith – community building speaker
- Tim Eatman, Dean of Honors college at Rutgers
- Cornell West - American philosopher, political activist, social critic
- Eduardo Bonilla Silva - professor of sociology at Duke University
- Bernice King - American lawyer, minister, and the youngest child of civil rights leaders Martin Luther King Jr.
- Ilyasah Shabazz - American author, most notably of a memoir, Growing Up X, community organizer, social activist, and motivational speaker, and the third daughter of Malcolm X
- Dr. Victor Rios – spoke at UCSB as a keynote at Strengthening Student Success Conference

IDEAA Repository – Alene Terzian

- Several committee members met over summer and created a canvas shell. We compiled extensive resources that we will fine tune: anti-racism resources and articles, accessibility resources
- Create definitions of IDEAA- we want to bring forth to groups. As a campus- we need to adopt a definition as a whole
- We will transfer all this information into PebblePad where everyone can access the materials. It will give users options to pick and choose specific topics
- Will be presenting on the school meetings this Fall
- IDEAA shares: speaker series launch for 2024SP
- What part of the website will this be under? CETL, ICC, IE2... still in the works
- Next meeting will be on October 16th

Next Meeting: October 23, 2023, 3:30pm-5:00pm