The Department of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion has moved to the Basic Science Building, First Floor in Suite 104! With a new home, comes a new and exciting initiative; our Department Newsletter!

Keep an eye out for our bi-monthly newsletters, to keep the campus community informed of Diversity & Inclusion updates! Inside this first issue, you will find information on: Our Offices & Services, News from the College of Nursing Diversity Officer, and an introduction of the department’s student employees. In the future, we want your input! Let us know what you want to share in 2017!

BIG NEWS!

Save the Date!

“THE IMPACT OF THE EVOLUTION OF CHANGE”

lunch with

TIM WISE

Wednesday, January 11, 2017 @ 12:00 p.m.
Bioengineering Room 110
1 Hour of D&I Training and CME Credit Available

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Our Services & Offices

- Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity
- Americans with Disabilities (ADA)
- Learning Development Technologies
- Training and Intracultural Education
- Title IX
- University Chief Diversity Officer

UPCOMING CAMPUS WIDE TRAININGS

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GENERATIONAL DIFFERENCES in the WORK PLACE
December 2016 - Friday, December 09, 2016
Basic Science Building 302
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
(2 Hours of D&I Training Credits)

January 2017: Friday, January 13, 2017
Basic Science Building 302
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
(2 Hours of D&I Training Credits)

WELCOMING DIVERSITY
Saturday, January 21, 2017
Harper Student Wellness Center Auditorium
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
(8 Hours D&I Training & CME Credits)

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

During the Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 semesters, the Department of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion has employed a graduate intern and 2 Work-Study Students; these students are essential to the amazing work being done within the department.

Get to Know: Melissa Henderson, Dhruvang (Dhruv) Patel and Shirina Whig

Melissa Henderson, Graduate Intern: “I was born and raised in Charleston, SC, where I attended the College of Charleston to receive a bachelor's degree in public health. I am currently a student in MUSC’s Master of Health Administration program, with interests in quality improvement and human resources. Following the completion of my studies, I hope to advance professionally by obtaining a management role in one of these health areas.”

Shirina Whig, Graduate Work-Study: “I am originally from Spartanburg, South Carolina. I went to undergrad at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC (Go Gamecocks!). I am a second year Master in Health Administration student and will be graduating in May. I am currently interning in Data Analytics at MUSC. And I am also serving as the Vice President of the Student Diversity Leadership Council.

Dhruv Patel, Graduate Work-Study: “I am a student at College of Graduate Studies enrolled in Masters in Clinical Research Program. I am also a US Army Combat Medic Veteran and currently employed at VA Hospital in the Emergency Dept. I am also a part of Office of Diversity and Inclusion at MUSC as a Federal Work Study Program. I love to talk as well as discuss the current topics, history or anything related to "what I don't know." Fun Loving as life is too short so why to waste worrying about things that we can't change, rather live in the present and enjoy every bit of moment that life has to offer. Keep it simple. Love Sports, Politics, Science and Adrenaline, rush adventures., you name it, and I am on it, that's what made me an Airborne Medic while in service.”

College Diversity News

From the College of Nursing:
College of Nursing Diversity Officer: Dr. Cristina Lopez

“Today’s nurse leaders recognize that there is a clear connection between a culturally diverse nursing workforce and the ability to provide high-quality, culturally competent patient care. Over the years nursing has made great strides in recruiting and graduating nurses who mirror the patient population, however, more must be done before an accurate representation can become a reality. A high priority for the nursing profession is attracting and recruiting students who are underrepresented in nursing including ethnic minorities and males, as well and military veterans.

To achieve this objective, this fall, the College of Nursing embarked on an exciting new scholarship campaign, “Take Nursing Higher.” The focus of this campaign is to provide scholarship support for traditionally underrepresented groups in nursing, including minorities, veterans, and men.

Our first Take Nursing Higher scholarships were awarded to BSN students, Julia Holmes, Lisa Davis, and Darshonda “Shon” Guess. We believe we can help change the face of nursing across South Carolina and beyond.” (Excerpt)

Full Story: Click Here
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From ALL of us to ALL of you...Seasons Greetings!

For whatever you choose to celebrate...

Blessings to one and ALL this Holiday Season!

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