Welcome back! Beat the winter blues by getting involved!

We will be heading to Yakima, WA on **April 23-25, 2020** for the 30th Annual Students of Color Conference. You will learn and grow from powerful keynote speakers, fun and interactive workshops, identity group gatherings, and social opportunities. Students return ignited to make a change on their campus and in their communities.

**The trip is limited to 30 students (first come, first served), so apply NOW!**

Stop by the Multicultural Center for an application.

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**Diversity Leadership Institute**

The Diversity Leadership Institute (DLI) guides students to reflect upon and learn about themselves and others as members of social groups in context of systems of privilege and inequality. Our goal is for students to then take that knowledge and apply it to their lives. The DLI is facilitated by faculty Dr. James Estrella and Multicultural staff Jodie Collins.

- **Identity Development**
- **Systems of Power and Oppression**
- **Social Activism**

The Institute’s structure is a 4-week intergroup dialogue cohort. The cohort is limited to 10 students. Contact Aubrey at aleasure@olympic.edu with your intent to participate.

**Tuesday, January 28th, February 4th, 11th and 18th**

12:45—1:45 PM

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**Language Sharing**

Students are sharing their native (or second) languages to the OC campus to build community and a global perspective. Join us for a short lesson in the International Lounge (Bldg. 10 Rm. 117) or Multicultural Center (Bldg. 10 Rm. 118) on these dates:

**Wed., February 19 @ 1:00-1:30 (International)**
Vietnamese by Vy Le

**Mon., February 24 @ 12:00-12:30pm (International)**
Cantonese by Weng In “Charice” Mou

**Wed., February 26 @ 1:00-1:30pm (Multicultural)**
French by Gabriel Gray

**Fri., February 28 @ 1:00-1:30pm (Multicultural)**
Apsaalooke by Valarie St. Pierre-Hodge

**Mon., March 2 @ 12:00-12:30pm (International)**
Khmer by Pichpanchapor Saing

**Wed., March 4 @ 12:00-12:30pm (Multicultural)**
Mongolian by Vecksle Drake

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**Cultural Presentations**

**Cambodian culture** by Keochonodom “Dom” Taing
*Monday, February 10 @ 12:00pm*
International Lounge

**Malian culture** by Gie Coulibaly
*Wednesday, February 12 @ 11:00am*
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**Birthday Celebration**

Alles Gute zum Geburtstag ~ ἀλληλεπίδραση ~ chúc mừng sinh nhật ~ feliz cumpleaños ~ til hamingju með afmælíd

You may be far from your family for your birthday this year, but you can celebrate with the Multicultural Services community! Join us to celebrate EVERYONE’s birthday with cake and ice cream, no matter when your birthday is!

**Wednesday, February 5 12:00-1:30pm**
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**Conversation Partner Program**

The Conversation Partner Program pairs international students and ESOL students with English-speaking students to share cross cultural communication, provide language practice, and foster a diverse community. There will be opportunities to participate in fun activities together on campus and in the community.

Sign up today in the Multicultural Center!

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**Island Roots**

Island Roots is calling all Pacific Islander students and staff to build community on campus. Informal gatherings once a month to talk story and share island food.

**Fridays @ 12:45-1:45pm in Building 10 Room 122**

For more information, contact Jodie at jcollins@olympic.edu

- There are many other affinity groups and cultural clubs available for students on campus. Stop by the Multicultural Center or SGOC to find one for you!