

Multicultural Services

Quarterly Newsletter

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Welcome

Conversation Partner

The Conversation Partner Program pairs international or ESOL students with native- or near-native English speaking students to provide language practice, cross-cultural communication, and to form a diverse community of students in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. The program supports academic success, professional and personal development, and engagement in a secure, supportive, all-inclusive environment.



- ◆ Complete and Submit Application to multicultural@olympic.edu
- ◆ Attend a Scheduled Interview
- ◆ Be Paired with Your Partner
- ◆ Meet Weekly (1hr) with Your Partner

If you would like more information please email Jodie Collins at jcollins@olympic.edu or call 360.362.4533.

Diversity Leadership Institute

The Diversity Leadership Institute is a 4-week intergroup dialogue cohort designed to encourage in-depth conversation on: Identity Development, Systems of Power and Oppression, and Social Activism. The program is to support students to reflect upon and learn about themselves and others as members of social groups in the context of systems of privilege and inequality.

Facilitated by Dr. James Estrella and Jodie Collins
January 28th – The 3 R's
February 4th – Describe Your Family Structure
February 11th – Family Structures of Power
February 18th – Empowerment & Healing Through Family & Community Connections

Thursdays 1pm-2pm

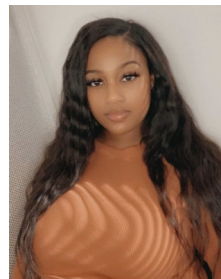


Multicultural Services Staff!

Multicultural Services provides a center for direct student support and engagement. The Multicultural Services presents a welcoming, equitable, and inclusive environment that promotes strong social connections and encourages students as social change agents. We provide opportunities for increasing students cultural competency and for transformative leadership. We especially strive to serve students from traditionally underrepresented backgrounds and empower them toward success at Olympic College and beyond!

Join us M-F 9-2PM in the Multicultural Virtual Center Zoom ID: 250 611 2645 Password: multi

We would like to take the time to welcome back our student staff to Multicultural Services. Welcome Milana Gray & Gehara Johnson. Thank you for being apart of Multicultural Services and lets make this a great quarter!





Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice Opportunities at Olympic College

In addition to all of the great things we do in Multicultural Services, check out our website and learn about the opportunities available.

- ◆ Equity & Inclusion
- ◆ Equity Toolkit
- ◆ American Culture & Equity Studies

For more information please visit Equity & Inclusion [website](#)

Personal and Professional Development Workshops

Transfer & Scholarships with Shannon Bell

January 19th - Ready to Transfer
January 26th - Scholarship 101

Time - 4pm-5pm

Shifting Our Mindset to Understand & Build Generational Wealth with Eisen Dela Cruz

January 19th - Where Am I?
January 26th - Where Would I Like to Be & How Will I Get There?
February 2nd - Now I'm Here, How Do I Stay on Track?

Time - 3pm-4pm

Equipping the Mentor-Mentee for Success with Geo Marc Panelo

February 16th - "Y" Become A Mentor
February 17th - How Does Your Identity Affect the Mentor Mentee Relationship?

Time - 3pm-4pm

How to Convert Your College Degree Into a Career with Dr. Heather Lukashin

February 23rd - Learn How to Write a Notable Cover Letter
February 25th - Learn How to Write Your Best Resume Yet
March 2nd - Understand the Importance of Getting LinkedIn

Time - 4pm-5pm



* For other great program information that Multicultural Services offer, please visit our [website](#) . We look forward to seeing you.

Student Engagement

Next Generation

Next Generation takes a holistic approach to student success by promoting a spirit of excellence and diversity through transformative leadership, education, professional readiness with a focus of intentional mentorship from entry to completion.

Student Leader Milana Gray: mgray@olympic.edu

Student Leader Mentor Koichi Nihei:
koichinihei@student.olympic.edu

Meetings Every Friday from 1pm-2pm

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Island Roots

As a family, we of Island Roots gather together as a village to support and foster our cultural identity, take charge in leadership roles, and develop life skills such as: teamwork, decision-making, and critical thinking. We welcome ALL students of Olympic College that identify as a Pacific Islander. Our passion is to promote and celebrate different Pacific Islander cultures through opportunities such as: education, leadership, and values.

Remember who we are and where we came from
Opportunities to lead, learn, and love
Opened to all Pacific Islander Students
Togetherness
Strive to impact the cultural environment

Student Leader Neychelle Wada-Ballesteros: neychellewada-balles@student.olympic.edu

Meetings Every Thursday from 12pm-12:30pm

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Reentry Collective

The purpose of the reentry collective is to assist ex-incarcerated and otherwise justice involved individuals in transitioning back into society and attaining their educational goals, by helping them navigate through academic pathways, obtain campus and community resources, and providing them one on one peer mentorship as support and leadership development.

Advisors: Cheryl Nunez cnunez@olympic.edu and Jodie Collins jcollins@olympic.edu

Student Leaders OC Alumn: Andre Henderson ahende2@uw.edu and Brian Weekman weekmb@uw.edu

Meetings Every Friday from 1pm-2:30pm

Zoom Link: <https://olympic.zoom.us/j/96326760274?pwd=Ukp6SHVOWDRsSTdx3M5ZmMxQ2dZZz09>