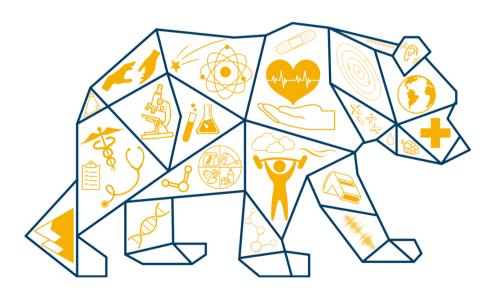


# Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Symposium

**Hosted by** 

## The College of Natural & Health Sciences



## AGENDA

8:00-8:30

#### **CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST**

Campus Commons Open Space

Optional: A University photographer will be available for headshots during this time

8:30-8:40

#### **BREAKFAST & WELCOMING REMARKS**

Kim Murza & President Feinstein

Campus Commons Multipurpose Room

8:40-9:40

#### **OPENING SESSION**

Campus Commons Multipurpose Room

dr. janine weaver-douglas - Interim Executive Director, Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion & Director, Marcus Garvey Cultural Center

Stephen Loveless - Interim Executive Director, Division of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Director, Gender and Sexuality Resource Center

#### BREAKOUT SESSION 1

UNITE: Understanding and Navigating Inclusion Through Education Workshops

#### UNITE: Understanding & Fostering Welcoming Spaces for Neurodivergence

Rowen Thomas, Multipurpose Room

9:45-11:45

- Learn more about the range of identities under the neurodiverse umbrella.
- Discuss how to support neurodiverse needs on and around campus.

#### **UNITE: Exploring Equity & Inclusion Foundations**

Stephen Loveless, Room 2300

- Explore key ideas and issues associated with gender, gender justice, and feminism.
- Identify when sexism is happening while engaging in discussions about your own experiences with sexism at UNC and beyond.

#### **UNITE: Anti-Blackness**

dr. janine weaver-douglas, Room 2201

- Engage interactively to understand the relevance of Anti-Blackness to your work, students, and the campus community.
- Reflect on your socialization related to Blackness and racism, distinguish nuance between racism broadly and Anti-Blackness specifically, and develop personalized action plans contextualized by the socio-political, historical, and modern contexts of Anti-Blackness

#### **LUNCH & KEYNOTE ADDRESS** .....

11:50-1:00

Recognizing and Responding to Microaggressions

Dr. Jodie Novak - Chair, Professor School of Mathematical Sciences, Multipurpose Room

• Recognize Microaggressions.

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- Identify the messages microaggressions send.
- Use two strategies to respond to microaggressions.

#### **BREAKOUT SESSION 2**

#### Is OER Right for My Class?

*Dr. Oscar Levin*, Room 2200

- Participants will see the varied ways that Open Educational Resources can be used in courses to support diverse student populations.
- Participants will explore instructional practices uniquely afforded by OER
- Participants will understand the technical steps required to adopt, adapt, or create OER for their classes.

#### **Designing and Using Equitable Classroom Assessment Practices**

Dr. Molly Jameson, Center for Enhancement of Teaching & Learning, Dr. Sharon Bywater-Reyes, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences, & Dr. Jen Parish, Biological Sciences, Room 2204

- Understand the purpose of educational assessment in your classrooms.
- Know how the qualities of assessment (i.e., validity, reliability, bias, and fairness) affect student learning and student dispositions.
- Identify specific strategies to improve equity in classroom assessment practices.
- Apply the session information to your own classroom assessments to increase their equity.

#### **Fat, A Lived Experience & Health Equity Foundations**

Becca Romine, NHS Dean's Office, Dr. Nick Slagel & Lisa Caldwell, Kinesiology, Nutrition & Dietetics, Room 2201

- Expand DEI lens and see the world through the lived experience of someone with perhaps different identities than those they hold.
- Consider the true accessibility of their spaces, the spaces of their coworkers.
- Further the idea that body size is an identity.
- Examine the implications of how weight and body stigma in the classroom can impact health.
- Explore strategies to promote weight and body inclusive classrooms and courses.

### Going Deeper: Creating Accessible Learning Environments for Students with Disabilities

Dr. Jill Bezyak, Dr. Aryn Taylor, & Emily Shuman, Rehabilitation Counseling/ Rocky
Mountain ADA Center, Multipurpose Room

- Understand the role of different federal laws and their application.
- Examine barriers faced by students with disabilities in the classroom and on-campus.
- Develop strategies to overcome barriers and promote accessibility and inclusion in the classroom and on-campus.

#### **Is Your Syllabus Reaching Some or Many?**

Laura Meadows, Lani Irvin, Jessica Duke, Lydia Mayo, Biological Sciences, Room 2300

- Reflect on the purpose of your syllabi as a resource for students.
- Evaluate example syllabi for inclusion.
- Self-evaluate your syllabi and identify strengths and areas for improvement.
- Outline a timeline to implement your changes.

#### 3:05-4:00 ACTION PLAN OVERVIEW & UNIT DISCUSSIONS

Multipurpose Room Provost Fleming & Dr. Susan Keenan

#### **3:15-4:00 GROUP PHOTOS**

Campus Commons Open Space

Recommended: Take a group photo with your unit - photo backdrop provided!

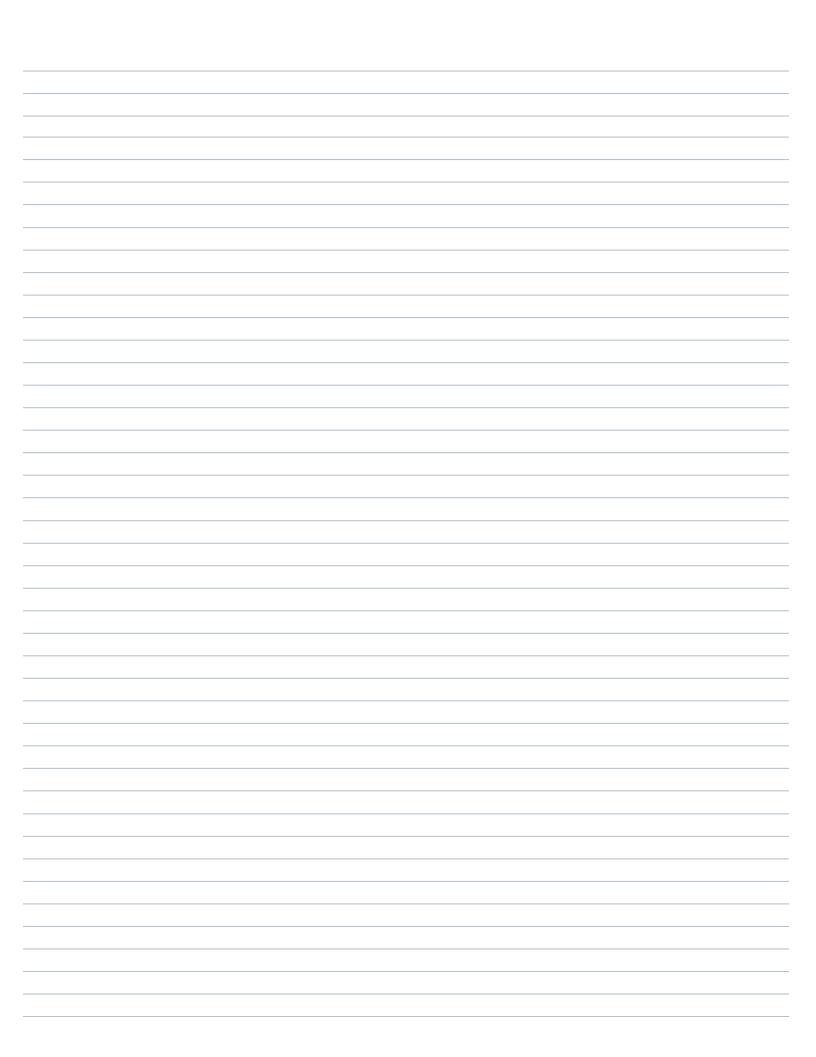
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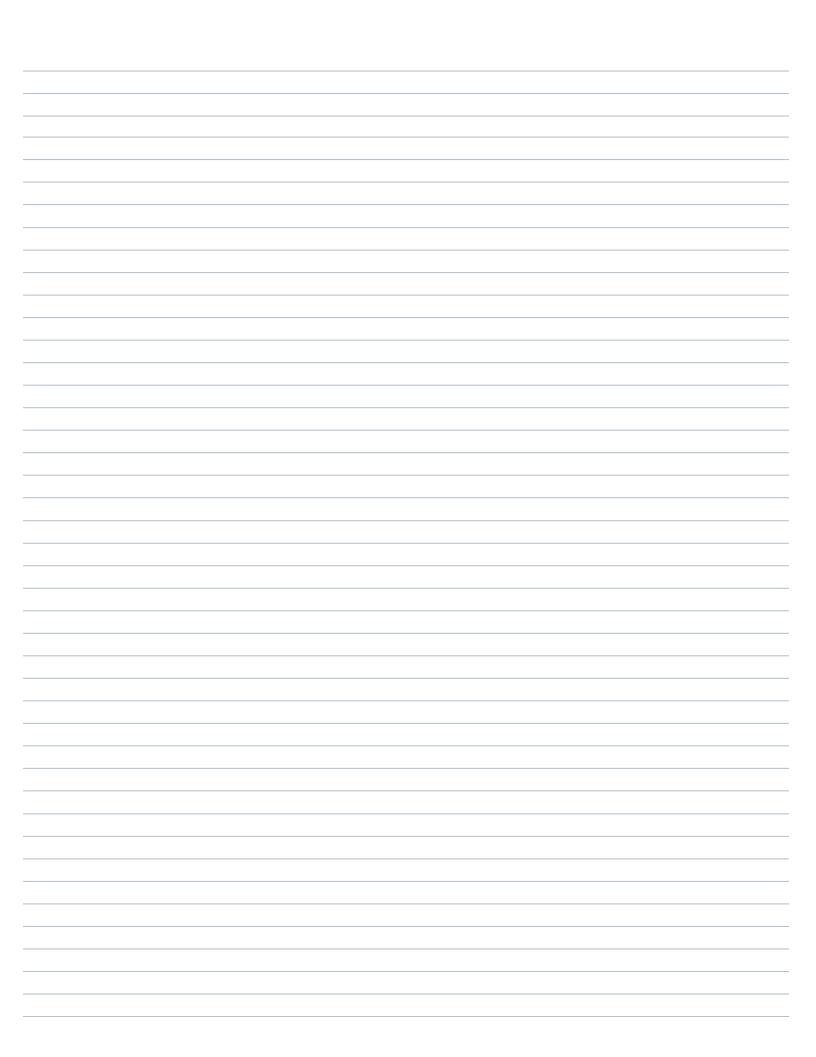
## **COMMUNITY GUIDELINES**

- Active listening respect others as they are talking & listen to hear rather than waiting to respond
- Acknowledge personal reactions instead of overgeneralizing use "I" statements instead of "they" or "we" or "you"
- Do not be afraid to respectfully challenge each other by asking questions and being curious about other perspectives
- Refrain from personal attacks, focus on ideas
- Hold space for others to learn and do better if genuine desire for growth
- Ask rather than assume what others mean & need
- Our goal is not superficial agreement but rather critical understanding & dialogue
- Be conscious of body language, nonverbal responses, and group & power dynamics with taking up space
- Instead of invalidating the experiences or narratives of someone else by projecting yourself on their experience, empathize to recognize how their context & responses might look different than your own
- Maintain safety, expect discomfort

Additional Guidelines:					

## NOTES





#### **SYMPOSIUM RESOURCES**



http://tinyurl.com/DEI-Day

Scan here for a collection of the materials from today's sessions as well as additional resources for further learning. Please note: this site is being continuously updated - check back in the coming weeks for more.

#### **POST-SURVEY**



http://tinyurl.com/DEI-Post

Scan here to complete our post-survey. As researchers and scholars, we all recognize the importance of collecting participant feedback to inform future programming. Your feedback is anonymous and will help us plan next year's Symposium.

#### THANK YOU!

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