what's going on?

JUNE 2021
A series of workshops, conversations, and brave spaces led by and for the WSU community in response to what's going on surrounding issues of racism, inclusion, equity, and social justice.

Tuesday, June 8 | 1 - 2 P.M.
Finding Your Place in the Fight
The session will help students understand that we all have a part to play in social justice and our community. However, it is okay for everyone to have different roles. We want to explore these roles and help students find those roles.
Facilitated by: Praveen Loganathan, Junior/Senior Coordinator Warrior VIP & Dwight McDonald, Lewis Latimer Scholars Learning Community Coordinator

Wednesday, June 9 | 1 - 2 P.M.
We Can't Teach What We Don't Know: Asian American Studies and Anti-Racist Pedagogy and Advocacy
This session combines a brief presentation and interactive discussion on key frameworks, concepts, and practices for Asian American Studies as we address race, immigration, intersectionality, globalization, and activism in metro Detroit and beyond.
Facilitated by: Dr. Roland Santos Coloma, Professor | Division of Teacher Education & Dr. Min Yu, Associate Professor | Division of Teacher Education

Tuesday, June 15 | 1 - 2 P.M.
Social Justice and Interprofessional Collaborations
Participants will learn to apply social work principles to questions of social injustices in areas such as aging, child welfare, criminal justice, environmental justice, housing, policy, community practice, and mental health. There will be an emphasis on the relationship between social justice and interprofessional collaborations at the micro, mezzo, and macro levels.
Facilitated by: Shantalea Johns, Ed.L., LMSW | Director, Office of Continuing and Interprofessional Education & Takisha Lashore, Ph.D., LMSW | Director, Office of Field Education | WSU School of Social Work

Thursday, June 17 | Noon - 1 P.M.
Code Switching, Is It Necessary?
Join us in a discussion on the art of code switching. We'll talk about the history of code switching and the space it takes up in today's world.
Facilitated by: Kristin Johnston, Advisor for Student Engagement | Office of Multicultural Student Engagement

Tuesday, June 22 | 1 - 2 P.M.
Identifying Identities Within Our Lived Experiences
Join us for an inclusive dialogue as we break down various identities and how they shape our lived experiences.
Facilitated by: Lynita Taylor, Diversity & Inclusion Program Manager | MPREP Scholars & Dr. Lauren Scott, University Counselor, MPREP Scholars

Wednesday, June 23 | 1 - 2 P.M.
Advancing our Actions as White/non-BIPOC Supporters of Racial Justice
Join us to enhance your role in the racial justice movement as a non-BIPOC. We will be prepared to engage in both self-exploration and group dialogue to advance your action in the fight for racial rights.
Facilitator: Angela Zanardelli, Associate Director, Study Skills Academy | Academic Success Center

Thursday, June 24 | 1 - 2 P.M.
What's Going On Internationally Supporting International Students through a Global Crisis
Wayne State University is one of the most diverse institutions in the state of Michigan with students from 80 countries calling WSU their home. As they navigate a global crisis, both new and continuing international students are contending with a variety of unique obstacles related to COVID-19 regulations, border closures, grief, and isolation, among the everyday stressors of being a college student. In this session, representatives from the Office of International Programs will discuss "What's going on" in the most popular sending countries of international students so the campus community can gain a better sense of how to best support international students on campus during this difficult time.
Facilitated by: Fareed Y. Shalhout, Associate Director of Student Programs & Gabby Sztajzalkowski, Project Coordinator for Educational Outreach and International Programs

Tuesday, June 29 | Noon - 1 P.M.
Supporting Men of Color Within and Outside of Higher Education
Join us for a panel discussion on how to best support men of color on campus from leaders on and off campus.
Facilitated by: Dr. Leonard Savala | Director, Office of Multicultural Student Engagement

For more information, please email the Office of Multicultural Student Engagement (omse@wayne.edu)