BUTLER CENTER’S ‘CONVERSATIONS ABOUT INCLUSION’ SERIES

Butler Center is introducing a new series called ‘conversations about inclusion’ this fall (2017). The main goal of this series is to facilitate thinking about inclusion on campus. While panelists may utilize scholarly research and literature and/or experience, it may be relevant to think of strategies and initiatives that facilitate inclusion. The series will focus on topics that will be meaningful for faculty as well as staff and students. Each panelist will speak for a maximum of 10 minutes and most of the time will be devoted to discussions and Q&A.

**Topic 1**
9/15 Fri
12:00-1:30 pm
STEW 320
Diversity versus Inclusion
What meanings do we attribute to that? What are the challenges in focusing on diversity or/inclusion? What are its implications for leadership?
Panel: Valeria Chapman; Ayse Ciftci; Joan Fulton

**Topic 2**
10/6 Fri
12:00-1:30 pm
STEW 320
Enabling Inclusive Research Environments
What are the advantages of facilitating inclusive collaborations? How can we build and maintain inclusive research groups?
Panel: Prasoon Diwakar; Melissa Remis; Chris Sahley

**Topic 3**
10/27 Fri
12:00-1:30 pm
East Faculty Lounge - PMU
Inclusion through Inter-group Dialogue
How can we use inter-group dialogues to raise awareness/educate faculty about inclusion? How can we try to transform such education into experiential change?
Panel: Kathleen Howell; Klod Kokini

**Topic 4**
11/16 Thurs
4:00-5:30 pm
East Faculty Lounge - PMU
Gender and Race/Ethnicity in Navigating Faculty/Student Relationships
What are the challenges in building faculty-student relationships considering the ways that intersections of gender and race/ethnicity shape both, a faculty member’s and a student’s life? What strategies can help promote inclusive faculty and student relationships?
Panel: Kerrie Douglas; Ray Fouche

**Topic 5**
12/1 Fri
12:00-1:30 pm
East Faculty Lounge - PMU
Sensitivity about the Intersections of Gender, Race/Ethnicity, Sexuality and Nationality to Enable an Inclusive Campus
Panel: Elena Benedicto; Tithi Bhattacharya; Humaira Gowher