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THE MDC BULLETIN

The Newsletter of the Department of Psychological Sciences Multicultural and
Diversity Committee at Kent State University



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Taste of Diversity

Join the MDC as we continue to engage in cultural exchange and discussions centered on delicious cuisines from around the world on **Wednesday, 11/18/20 from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm!** Please bring a cultural dish (cooked or purchased) and share its origins, recipe, or importance to you with the attendees. All KSU Psychology faculty and students are welcome to join our virtual event. Contact **Keaton Somerville** at ksomerv5@kent.edu if you have any questions.



Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85195058027?pwd=U05ONTVmZzhwWks1TmZQZnJKdCtXQT09>

MDC Cookbook Volume 1: Now Available!

As part of our ongoing fundraising efforts, the MDC will be releasing the first volume of our cookbook featuring delicious recipes (and popular dishes) from past Taste of Diversity events! Consistent with the mission of the MDC, donations raised from this initiative would provide financial support to help defray the costs of graduate school applications for undergraduate mentees with demonstrated financial need. Due to COVID-19, we will be accepting donations via **Venmo: @Kent-MDC**.

Suggested donation amounts:

\$1 - Graduate Students

\$5 - Faculty/Staff

MDC Informational Series for Mentees

The MDC Mentorship Program is proud to kick off our Graduate Pathways Informational Series for Undergraduate Mentees next **Tuesday, 11/17/20 from 7:00 to 8:00pm!** Four graduate students from the Clinical and Experimental Psychology PhD program at Kent State will share their journeys with mentees and answer questions. In upcoming sessions, we plan to feature additional speakers in Counseling, Social Work, and related programs and careers. **If you are interested in volunteering or have speaker/topic suggestions, please email Nicolle Simonovic at nsimonov@kent.edu!**

Cultural Café



NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

Since 1990, November has been recognized as National American Indian Heritage Month in efforts to celebrate the significant contributions that American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians have made to the establishment and growth of the United States. Additionally, this commemorative month provides American Indians the opportunity to share their history, culture, and traditions at a national level. Read below to learn about notable American Indian psychologists!



- Heritage: Delaware Tribe of Indians, Lenni-Lenape
- Founder of the the Society of Indian Psychologists
- Founding member of the Boston Indian Council, one of the largest Indian centers in the country
- Well known for creating multiple culturally based programs and advancing family network therapy

Carolyn L. Attneave, Ph.D. (1920 - 1992)



- Heritage: Oglala Lakota
- First American Indian man to earn a doctorate in psychology in 1966
- Founder of Dull Knife Memorial College to serve American Indians on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation
- Creator of the Indians into Psychology Program (InPsych) to recruit American Indians into psychology

Arthur L. McDonald, Ph.D.



- Heritage: Cahuilla-Cupeno from the Morongo Band of Mission Indians
- First American Indian from a California reservation to attend college
- First woman hired as a full professor at the University of Utah
- Founding member of the National Indian Education Association and Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science

Marigold Linton, Ph.D.



- Heritage: Blackfeet Nation
- Widely known for starting the annual conference of American Indian Psychologists and Psychology Graduate Students

Carolyn G. Barcus, Ph.D.

For more information, do check out The American Indian and Alaska Native Society of Indian Psychologists webpage:
<http://www.aiansip.org/>

Campus-wide Events

Take a look at the events on Kent State's campus that focus on issues of multiculturalism and diversity. For more information, visit the university's calendar at <https://www.kent.edu/calendars>.

International Education Week: Nov. 16-20

International Education Week is an opportunity to promote educational programs that prepare Americans, as well as international students, to succeed in a world that is becoming increasingly globalized. The week was created in 2000 and is now celebrated in more than 100 countries worldwide. Check out the events below and click [here](#) to see how KSU is celebrating!

November 16: Social Justice & Activism: An International Perspective

- This event aims to discover how international students and scholars made meaning of the civil rights movements in the US this year and how they responded to the call to action. Additionally, they will be able to discuss forms of social justice movements in their country, their participation, and what free speech and activism look like within their home and society.
- 12:15 pm - 1:15 pm, Zoom

November 17: Res Airways- Austria

- At this event, you can learn about the culture, cuisine, and history of Austria from a Kent State student.
- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Zoom

November 18: The Importance of Environmental Education and Conservation: Uganda

- Timothy Mwesige, a former Aggarwal-Blackburn Visiting Scholar in the College of Education, Health and Human Services, and an instructor at the Uganda Wildlife Research and Training Institute, will discuss how environmental education and conservation is done at Queen Elizabeth National Park in Uganda.
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am, Zoom

November 18: Crisis in the U.S.-China Relationship: What's next for the two countries?

- Join Cleveland Council on World Affairs for a Foreign Policy Forum exploring the U.S.-China relations.
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, <https://www.ccwa.org/events/crisis-in-the-u-s-china-relationshipwhats-next-for-the-twocountries/>

Campus-wide Events (continued)

November 9: Round Table Discussion

- Join the LGBTQ+ Center as they discuss topics involving the LGBTQ+ community. Check social media/listserv for how to join.
- 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Virtual

November 10: Unconscious Bias Webinar

- Join Al Leu, CCI Diversity & Career Development Director, for an exploration of diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging; a definition of unconscious bias; ways that unconscious bias can affect everyday interactions; and practical application strategies for mitigating the impact of unconscious bias. This webinar is ideal for all Kent State faculty and staff. Click [here](#) to register.
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am, Virtual

KSU Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Identity, Understanding, & Change Town Halls

- November 12 at 4:00pm: [Modern Native Representation and Visibility](#)
- November 19 at 4:30pm: [The Latinx/Hispanic American Experience](#)

November 20: Trans Day of Remembrance

- Join the LGBTQ+ Center by honoring Trans Day of Remembrance and supporting the transgender community.
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Virtual

December 4: Psychological Sciences Departmental Discussion about [Biased](#)

- The department will hold a discussion about the book *Biased* by Dr. Jennifer Eberhardt, which examines racial bias and provides tools to address this problem. Please email Dr. Taber (jtaber1@kent.edu) if you are interested in participating in the discussion!
- 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm, Virtual

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More about the MDC

The Kent State University Department of Psychological Sciences Multicultural and Diversity Committee (MDC) is dedicated to making a positive difference in the education of all students within the department through the promotion of an atmosphere of multicultural acceptance, competence, and diversity. In order to stay true to this mission, we will be sending out newsletters to the department to keep everyone updated on events and issues concerning the intersection of diversity, multiculturalism, and psychology. For more information, you can contact the MDC Chair, Stanley Seah (tseah@kent.edu) or Faculty Liason, Dr. Mary Himmelstein (mhimmels@kent.edu).