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Upcoming Diversity & Inclusion Events

Diversity Lecture Series

The Office of Diversity and Inclusion is proud to present the Diversity Lecture Series, a series that features distinguished leaders and experts to inspire campus dialogue, community engagement and learning about the national narrative on diversity and inclusion. The speakers include scholars, thought leaders and diversity professionals whose research, scholarship, leadership and advocacy enhance the university's efforts to present diverse ideas, perspectives and viewpoints to inspire greater understanding and appreciation for diversity and inclusion.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebrations

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday celebrates the life and legacy of a man who brought hope and healing to America. We commemorate as well the timeless values he taught us through his example – the values of courage, truth, justice, compassion, dignity, humility and service that so radiantly defined Dr. King's character and empowered his leadership. On this holiday, we commemorate the universal, unconditional love, forgiveness and nonviolence that empowered his revolutionary spirit. As numerous events take place to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we have compiled a guide of celebrations for this year's MLK Day in the City of Wichita.

Black History Month

Every February, people in the United States celebrate the achievements and history of African Americans as part of Black History Month.

10th Annual Art That Touches Your Heart

February 1-19 | Wilson K. Cadman Art Gallery in Rhatigan Student Center (1845 Fairmount St. Wichita, KS 67260)

Art That Touches Your Heart is an exhibit that informs and educates on the history and traditions of African art, while presenting historical content of influences on modern art disciplines. Stop by the gallery to see an array of talents from local and national Black artists.

Pee for Pizza

10 a.m.-4 p.m. | Wednesday, February 3 | Student Wellness Center (by reservation only)

Cosponsored with Student Health Services and Positive Directions

Get tested for STIs by submitting a urine specimen and you will get FREE PIZZA! Do not use the restroom at least one hour prior to testing. Only 40 spots available. No walk-ins accepted and masks are required, by reservation only. Call (316) 978-4792 to reserve your spot.

Real Talk - Intersection Dialogues

1-2:15 p.m. | Wednesday, February 3 | Virtual Event

Cosponsored with Counseling and Prevention Services

Upcoming Topic: Welcome Back! Societal Topics on Racial Unrest, COVID-19, Elections and the Insurrection

Engage in meaningful dialogues around various topics that impact identity, diversity, inclusion, equity and society. We welcome you to lean into discomfort and join in on the discussion. *Click on the title to learn more and register for this event.*

Diversity Film Festival

Various Times | Thursday & Friday, February 11-12 | Virtual Event

Cosponsored with College of Applied Studies and CARE Team

The College of Applied Studies, Office of Diversity and Inclusion and CARE Team would like to invite you to virtually participate in the Diversity Film Festival. In honor of Black History Month, we will highlight films centered on Black culture and the Black experience. Following the viewing of the films, there will be time to join in on the dialogue focused on the messaging within the film. *Get Out, Becoming, and Moonlight* are the three films being viewed during the festival. *Click on the title to learn more and register for this event.*

Ella Baker Book Club Series

February 15-March 8 | Virtual Event

Cosponsored with Texas Tech University, Eastern Illinois University, Western Governors University and Prairie View University

A book club will occur via Zoom to engage in discussion about *Ella Baker and the Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision*. Each week, a different set of speakers from the partnering organizations will present important topics from the book and related topics to Black Lives Matter and the #SAYHERNAME movement. The author, Barbara Ransby, will serve as the final speaker for the book club. *Click on the title to learn more and register for this event.*

Whatever Happened to "Black Capitalism?"

6:30 p.m. | Thursday, February 18 | Virtual Event

Cosponsored with African American Faculty & Staff Association and Wichita Urban Professionals

Hear from Dr. Robert E. Weems, Jr., the Willard W. Garvey Distinguished Professor of Business History at Wichita State University, as he delivers his keynote address for Black History Month on *Whatever Happened to "Black Capitalism?" The Decline of Public Discussion About African American Economic Development Since the 1960s*. *Click on the title to learn more and register for this event.*

The Urgency of Intersectionality

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Wednesday, February 24 | Virtual Event

Join the Office of Diversity and Inclusion as we watch and listen to the brief speech on Ted Talk, clips and other resources from Kimberlé Crenshaw. We will discuss the reactions to what we have been exposed to in the world of diversity, inclusion and equity. *Click on the title to learn more and register for this event.*
