

Student Affairs Updates

June 19, 2020

Juneteenth is Today!



Student Affairs Supports the Equity, **Diversity and Inclusion Call to** Action

We stand in partnership with Equity, Diversity and Inclusion to take action to support Black students, staff, faculty and community members. Learn more here: https://diversity.utah.edu/call-to-action/.

The **George Floyd Memorial Fund** has been established at the University of Utah, to support Black leadership accross a broad range of programs. Learn more: <u>https://attheu.utah.edu/home-page/u-creates-george-floyd-memorial-fund/</u>

Join Academics for Black Survival and Wellness Week

This *initiative* begins today, on Juneteenth, to focus on a weeklong personal and professional development initiative for academics, to honor the toll of racial trauma on Black people, resist anti-Blackness and white supremacy, and facilitate accountability and collective action. https://www.academics4blacklives.com/



anti-racism materials. We welcome you to contribute resources that have helped you in both your professional and personal work to stand against racism and white supremacy.



Share anti-racism resources here



Debra Daniels Retiring

Student Affairs is saying goodbye to Debra Daniels, LCSW, Director of the Women's Resource Center (WRC), after seventeen years of service to the University of Utah. Prior to her work at the WRC, Debra was a continuous presence in the Salt Lake City community as a fierce champion for women and children, as well an advocate for social

justice. Graduating from the College of Social Work at the University of Utah, Debra's career experiences ranged from working as a summer counselor with the Upward Bound Program as a graduate student, to the Assistant Executive Director and Director of Prevention Services for the YWCA, as well the Executive Director of the Rape Recovery Center. She joined Student Affairs in 2003 as the Director of the Women's Resource Center.

During her long career, Debra has earned much recognition for her work by receiving the Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Service in the field of domestic violence from the Division of Child and Family Services, Outstanding Services in Social Work from the Governor's Office of Black Affairs, the Angel of Peace for contributions to domestic peace from Salt Lake Area Domestic Violence Council, and the YWCA Outstanding Achievement Award among others. Since serving at the University of Utah, Debra has received the NASPA Mid-Level Professional Award, the Linda K. Amos Award, the Inclusion Center Humanitarian of the Year Award, and the NAACP Rosa Parks Award in 2013.

During the time Debra has been at the University, she has been a voice for equity, inclusion, and social justice issues for students, staff and faculty at the University. Utilizing her work in the community concerning the safety of women, she has been a leader and educator concerning the challenges women face on campus. Over the last seventeen years, many institutional changes have occurred in these areas on campus and Debra Daniels has been an early and consistent voice in those dialogs and educational events. Debra and Kari Ellingson initiated the Student Affairs Diversity Council. She also was the Director for the Women's Enrollment Initiative for four years. Debra embodies the ideals of fighting for social justice issues and she will be missed both in Student Affairs and on the University of Utah campus.

--Kim Hall, Associate Director of the Women's Resource Center.



Pride

Celebrate Pride in many different ways, all month long, with the LBGT Resource Center. Join in on Social Media:

Instagram: <u>@lgbtresource</u> Facebook: facebook.com/lgbtresource Twitter: <u>@UofULGBTRC</u>



Departmental Leadership

VP McDonald spent some time interviewing directors to share how departments are supporting students and our community. This week, we are featuring interviews with Dr. Lauren Weitzman, Director of the University Counseling Center, and Dr. Scott McAward, Director of Center for Disability & Access.





Student Affairs Needs You

Working with colleagues from around the division and contributing your talents, can help you grow as a professional and improve our work in Student Affairs. We need your energy and innovation on our four Student Affairs staff committees.



- Professional Development Committee (PDC)
- <u>Student Affairs Diversity Committee (SADC)</u>
- Social Connections *New!*
- Staff Wellness *New!*

Learn more about each of the committees by clicking the <u>application form</u> below. Applications are due by June 30th!

SA Staff Committee Application

Weekly COVID-19 Updates with Dr. Good

Dr. Michael Good, Senior Vice President of University of Utah Health, will be providing weekly updates on coronavirus. You can view this week's information below. Subscribe to stay informed.



July Student Affairs All Staff Meeting

Our next Student Affairs All Staff Meeting will be held on July 9th at 11:00 a.m. Zoom details will be in included in your registration confirmation email.



Opportunities for You to Present and Learn

Each week, the **Professional Development Committee** updates opportunities that are available online, as well as sponsoring programs by our own talented Student Affairs team. Learn



more about what is available or submit an application to share your expertise with your collegues by visiting our website: <u>https://studentaffairs.utah.edu/pdc/index.php</u>. Applications to present are accepted on a rolling basis.

In Case You Missed It

Please stay up-to-date on official information from the University of Utah, by taking a few minutes to read <u>@theU</u>each Monday. Here are some highlights, in case you missed them.

5 great reads to celebrate Pride Registration paused until July 1 Jason Ramirez on Juneteenth New health training required for staff and faculty



Resources

Return to Campus

COVID-19 Central @theU

Student Affairs Online

Student Affairs Remote Work Toolkit

The U's COVID-19 Hotline: (801) 213-2874 **RedMed:** (801) 213-3303 Work Wellness Center: (801) 581-2227 HR Benefits Team: (801) 581-7447



Something on Your Mind?

Tell us

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