Required EDI Training

The School of Medicine (SOM) continues to emphasize the guiding principles of Respect, Ethical Integrity, Communication, Accountability, and Drive for Excellence. One important component of our efforts will be to conduct additional training in Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) for the entire SoM. This training will be used as a baseline and will be followed by other training opportunities for our communities using various formats.

Working with Ms. Bennetta Horne, Asst. Dean for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, we have identified the training module Workplace Diversity, Inclusion, & Sensitivity as an important piece of our EDI work. This module is now required training for all trainees and employees of the Tulane SoM, including students, residents, fellows, faculty, and staff. We are asking everyone to register for and complete this 35-minute module by the 30th of November 2021.

A special link in Canvas has been prepared for all students to complete the module. You can access the module here: https://tulane.instructure.com/courses/2247197

Announcements

- The Counseling Center is open to all BMS students. They offer same-day appointments via telephone 504-314-2277, but students will need to call early in the day (before 9:00 am) if they want a same-day session. Right now, most sessions are via zoom. The Counseling Center has hired a new therapist, Brandy Alexis, for the Downtown Health Center and are on-boarding her now.

  Group counseling offered this Fall:
  - Understanding Self & Others (Tuesdays 2-3pm)
  - Stress & Anxiety Toolkit (Thursdays 11am – 12pm)
  - BREATHE - Mindfulness Strategies for Stress Reduction (Fridays 11am -12pm)
  - Women of Color (Thursdays 3:30-5pm)
  - International Student Support (Thursdays 5-6pm)

- Counseling Center email: counseling@tulane.edu
- Counseling Center website: campushealth.tulane.edu/counseling

- The Office of International Students and Scholars has re-established Downtown Office hours every Wednesday from 1-4 pm, starting October 20, 2021. These office hours will be in the Tidewater Building, Room 1225.

- Career Considerations for International Graduate Students and Postdocs A zoom meeting covering this topic will be presented November 15, by the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. Students and Postdocs can register through the OGPS website.

Donut Day!

3rd Wednesday of every month in the BMS office!

November 17th, 9-10 AM, Rm 1524, Hutchinson

Important Dates to remember:

- Spring Registration opens November 8, 2021
- Last Day of Class December 22, 2021

If you have any announcements to share in the newsletter, please send them to bms@tulane.edu