Welcome to College Awareness Day

The University of Washington Bothell's Office of Admissions is honored to welcome you to College Awareness Day 2019! Today, you have the opportunity to connect with faculty, staff, community members, and students from all walks of life; our shared vision is that today will inspire young people of color to transform their lives through community building and the power of education. We hope your day is full of impactful conversations and that you leave with a profound sense of unity and belonging.

Thank you to all of the high school counselors, community based organizers, students, speakers, faculty, and workshop leaders who have contributed to make this day possible. We appreciate your passion and commitment to diversity and education.
Dr. Michael Benitez is a nationally-acclaimed activist-scholar, practitioner, and educator with extensive experience with diversity issues in higher education. He has authored book chapters and articles on student identity, hip hop culture, cultural centers, cultural and ethnic studies, institutional research and campus climates, and supporting faculty of color. Dr. Benitez has served higher education in different capacities over the last two decades, including academic and student affairs, equity and inclusion, Title IX, and teaching. Currently, he serves as the Dean of Diversity and Inclusion/Chief Diversity Officer and Title IX Officer, at the University of Puget Sound.

**NOTABLE WORK**

> Co-editor of the anthology *Crash Course: Reflections on the Film “Crash” for Critical Dialogues About Race, Power and Privilege* (2007)

> Published work on supporting faculty of color can be found in AACU’s *Liberal Education* (2017)

> Featured in educational documentaries, such as “Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity” (2012)

> Appeared on talk shows such as “Worlds Apart,” “Hard Knock Radio,” and “Speak out with Tim Wise”
**10:15AM-10:45AM // UW2-005 // KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**KEVIN TRUONG // founder/executive director, Hey Mentor**

Kevin Truong is the founder and executive Director of Hey Mentor, a college mentorship nonprofit based in Seattle, WA. He has over seven years of experience in supporting students across the region with college and career readiness. His dedication to and success in creating innovative college access programs dubbed him “A Mentoring Mastermind” by UW Perspectives. He has served on multiple nonprofit boards and committees including SafeFutures Youth Center, Washington DECA, Community Leadership Team, and the Puget Sound College & Career Network Steering Committee. Kevin is passionate about inspiring students and leveraging philanthropy and technology to increase social mobility.

**10:50AM-11:30AM // UW2-005 // MOCK CLASS**

**YOU ARE NOT A MODEL MINORITY: EXPLODING THE MYTHIC IDENTITY OF ASIAN AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS**

Through lecture and student reflection, this mock class will unpack the construction of Asian Americans as a “model minority,” especially relative to educational attainment.

Led by **DR. WAYNE AU**
interim dean of diversity & equity, professor, School of Educational Studies, University of Washington Bothell

Dr. Wayne Au is a professor in the School of Educational Studies and currently serves as Interim Dean of Diversity & Equity at the University of Washington Bothell. Dr. Au is an award-winning and internationally recognized scholar in social justice education, multicultural education, and critical pedagogy. Most recently, he is a co-editor of the books *Teaching for Black Lives* and *Rethinking Ethnic Studies*, and he is a long-time editor with the justice-oriented magazine *Rethinking Schools*.

**10:15AM-10:45AM // DISC-162 // KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**CHRISTIAN PAIGE // equity specialist, Bellevue School District**

Christian Paige is an educator, keynote speaker, and a spoken word poet who uses his artistic expression to create change. As a native of Tacoma, WA, he is familiar with diversity, adversity, and thriving in less than ideal environments. Christian's passion for seeing young people succeed has led him to a career in education and founding a non-profit called the HOPE initiative. Christian specializes in mentoring and cultivating equitable young leaders that become agents of change in their communities. Christian has spoken at The Governor's Prayer Breakfast, The Secretary of State's Combined Fund Drive Kick Off, and The Fellowship for Theological Exploration to name a few. Christian lives by 3 beliefs: Be vulnerable, trust God, and be willing to take risks.

**10:50AM-11:30AM // DISC-162 // MOCK CLASS**

**CAN FASHION BE SPEECH**

Free speech entails a lot in regard to what can be said, but we don’t always think about the vehicle for the speech. In this session, we will explore a vehicle that many of us pay attention to, but seldom think about as a way to convey messages—fashion.

Led by **DR. TIM WILSON**
dean of Student Affairs, University of Washington Bothell

Dr. Tim Wilson is the Dean of Student Affairs at the University of Washington Bothell. He earned a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Marketing from San Diego State University, M.Ed. in Higher Education and Student Affairs Administration from the University of Vermont, and a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis from the University of Missouri – Columbia. Prior to coming to UW Bothell, Dr. Wilson served as Director of Student Activities, Assistant to the Vice President, and Assistant Vice President at Seattle University.
DALE PIPE

10:15AM-10:45AM // DISC-061 // KEYNOTE SPEAKER
KAREN ARLETTE GAMEZ LOPEZ // coordinator of Leadership Without Borders, UW Seattle

Karen Arlette Gamez Lopez is a 2018 graduate of the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Art (B.A.) in American Ethnic Studies. She was born in Sinaloa, Mexico, and was brought to the U.S. at the age of three. She graduated from Kent Meridian High School before attending Green River College. Throughout her time at UW, she helped raise over $3,000 for scholarships for undocumented students and helped organize the first annual Purple Group Undocu Graduation Celebration. Karen is currently working as the coordinator of Leadership Without Borders, where she works to ensure undocumented student success at the University of Washington and beyond. Karen hopes to dedicate her life to empowering her community. She is undocumented, unafraid, and here to stay.

10:50AM-11:30AM // DISC-061 // MOCK CLASS
ENVISIONING LATINX: POLITICS AND CULTURE IN LATINX ART

Hear about Dr. Yolanda Padilla's educational journey as a first generation Latinx student. You'll understand how important it was for Dr. Padilla to have the opportunity to take classes in Latinx studies and how those classes inspired her to become a college professor. You will also look at examples of Latinx art, examining common themes they raise about culture, politics, and Latinx identity.

Led by DR. YOLANDA PADILLA
assistant professor, School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, University of Washington Bothell

Dr. Yolanda Padilla's parents' experiences as migrants and farm laborers have shaped her teaching and research interests, which focus on Chicano/Latinx studies and US-Mexico borderlands studies. She received her Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) from UC Davis and her Ph.D. in Literary Studies from the University of Chicago. She is an assistant professor in the School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences at the University of Washington Bothell.

10:15AM-10:45AM // DISC-252 // KEYNOTE SPEAKER
KIANA FUEGA // AANAPISI outreach and recruitment specialist, Pierce College

Kiana Fuega is a Hawaii-born Samoan from the villages of Olosega, Manu’a, and Leone in Amerika Samoa by way of Tacoma, WA. She is an active community advocate within Washington's Pacific Islander community, focusing on implementing culturally relevant leadership and building mentorship efforts. Kiana is a founding member of the annual Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Youth Health & Fitness initiative. She also currently chairs efforts for the Samoan Arts & Academic Competition, which applies tenants to Samoan heritage in order to engage students in their academic success. While community work is among her greatest passions, she credits the love for her daughter, Hinevai-Mele, as the driving force of her ambition.

10:50AM-11:30AM // DISC-252 // MOCK CLASS
THE BOAT GAME

In this class activity, we will learn about the power of stereotypes in determining our life chances and the ways in which we can resist or disrupt their power. We will apply the frameworks of ethnic studies to raise our consciousness regarding social identities, examine the consequences of making decisions for others, and consider how relationships of power may be directed towards achieving social justice.

Led by DR. RICK BONUS
assistant professor, American Ethnic Studies, University of Washington Seattle

Dr. Rick Bonus is an associate professor of American Ethnic Studies at the University of Washington Seattle. He is also the faculty director of both the Diversity minor and the Oceania and Pacific Islander Studies minor programs at UW. His research and teaching interests lie in the conjunctures of ethnic studies, transnationalism, and multicultural pedagogy. His forthcoming book is entitled The Ocean in the School, an ethnography of Pacific Islander students navigating their college experience.
We welcome students from all identities. We understand that you may not exclusively identify with one of the five affinity tracks, but there is something for everyone in each of the sessions. So, you can build your own schedule! You may choose which keynote and mock class you most identify with from the ACES, BOLD, DALE, PIPE, and RAIN tracks. Have any questions? Speak to someone on the admissions team.

10:15AM-10:45AM  //  KEYNOTE SPEAKER: LISA FRYETT // project coordinator, Mother Nation

Lisa Fryett is a first-generation descendant of the Blackfeet Nation. After working for many years in the high-tech field of aerospace engineering, she left to follow her lifelong dream of completing her college degree. In 2018, she graduated with honors from the University of Washington Bothell with a bachelor's degree in Society, Ethics & Human Behavior. Driven by her personal experience in higher education, she has become an advocate for systemic change in education to better create an environment of equity and inclusion for future generations.

10:50AM-11:30AM  //  MOCK CLASS: SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE FACE OF CHALLENGES

Professor McLoud will share her personal story of challenges and opportunities related to her educational journey. We will discuss how to set yourself up for success in the university environment - having the right mindset, looking for opportunities, and embracing the challenges.

Led by DR. JENNIFER MCLOUD-MANN division chair of Engineering and Mathematics, professor, University of Washington Bothell

Dr. Jennifer McLoud-Mann grew up in a rural Oklahoma town (population around 1,000). As a first-generation Native American woman, she was the first in her family to obtain a bachelor's degree, master's degree, and a Ph.D. Her passion as a faculty member has always been mentoring undergraduate research students from underrepresented groups. Currently, she is a full-time professor and the division chair of Engineering and Mathematics at UW Bothell. Her research focuses on problems in discrete geometry, a branch of mathematics that is rich in problems accessible to undergraduates.

Don't know what to ask college representatives? Check out page 14!
BREAKOUT SESSION #1
12:50PM - 1:30PM

Choose one of the following:

OPENING YOUR COALITION LOCKER
Location: UW1-120
Are you interested in applying to the University of Washington Bothell or Seattle campuses in the future? Both use the Coalition Application exclusively. Come get a head start on the process and start your Coalition application and locker with us!

Led by: Ben Siegel, admissions advisor, UW Bothell

NAVIGATING COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGES: TOP 10 THINGS TO KNOW!
Location: UW1-110
Today's community and technical colleges (CTC) are not the same CTC that your parents attended. Join representatives from Cascadia College to learn more about the transfer process from a community or technical college to a four-year university.

Led by: Sara Gómez Taylor, recruitment & outreach manager, Cascadia College and Larissa Lima, program coordinator – outreach, Cascadia College

OH, YOU WRITE WRITE: HOW TO USE YOUR PEN AS A TOOL
Location: DISC-252
You’ve been asked to write in high school. You will be asked to write in college. What does it look like to write for change? In this workshop we will look at the history of poetry and how it pertains to black oral tradition. Students will wrestle with the question, “What story do you have a moral responsibility to tell?” and see examples of prolific writers and speakers who have changed the world.

Led by: Christian Paige, equity specialist, Bellevue School District

MAKING COLLEGE WORK FOR YOU
Location: UW1-102
Getting into college is an amazing accomplishment, but how do you make college worth the investment once you get there? What questions should you be asking? What resources should you seek? This workshop will explore the ins and outs of navigating college like a PRO, to help you succeed while enrolled, and be prepared for success upon graduation.

Led by: Monique Taylor, academic advisor, UW Bothell

STUDENT LIBRARY
Location: DISC-162
Every student's story is unique. Connect with current UW Bothell students in small group discussions as they share about their college journeys—their motivators, their supporters, their inspirations to succeed, and the challenges they've overcome along the way in pursuit of higher education.

Moderated by: Carmen Green, admissions advisor, UW Bothell and Jasmine Velasquez, student ambassador, UW Bothell

Students:
- Shawnna Cabanday, electrical engineering, class of 2019
- Eric Huynh, business, class of 2019
- Alan Hwang, business, class of 2020
- Annika Lawrence, electrical engineering, class of 2019
- Beatriz Rojas-Vasquez, health studies, environmental studies, class of 2019
- Collin Tasaka, mechanical engineering, class of 2020
- Afua Tiwaa, biology, class of 2019
- Catherine Vallejo, community psychology, class of 2019

SOCIAL, DIGITAL, AND NEW MEDIA MARKETING
Location: DISC-061
Not just something to do in your spare time, social media is a viable career path adding approximately $1.3 trillion to our economy. In this interactive workshop, students will learn how to develop social media marketing campaigns using several popular platforms while branding themselves, a product, or service.

Led by: Colette Keogh, college representative, Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising

STORYTELLERS FOR CHANGE: THE ART & POWER OF YOUR NARRATIVE
Location: UW2-141
"Stories communicate our values through the language of the heart and it is what we feel - our hopes dreams, and values - not simply what we know that can inspire others to act." -Marshall Ganz

This interactive session explores the power of narratives to build empathetic, inclusive, and equitable communities. The workshop discusses the role of storytellers in social movements as well as the transformative act of radical story-listening. This learning space will also provide you with opportunities to practice crafting personal narratives and gain public speaking skills. You will walk away empowered and energized to continue practicing your storytelling to inspire action.

Led by: Karen Arlette Gamez Lopez, coordinator of Leadership Without Borders, UW Seattle

BREAKOUT SESSION #2
1:35PM - 2:15PM

Choose one of the following:

COLLEGE PANEL
Location: UW2-005
Join college representatives from different types of colleges and universities (two-year, four-year private/independent, and four-year public) for a Q&A session about what makes each institution distinctive and what the admissions process is like.

Moderated by: Garick Sherburn, admissions advisor, UW Bothell

College Representatives:
- Larissa Lima, program coordinator – outreach, Cascadia College
- Nina Jouval, program coordinator – outreach, Cascadia College
- Sidney Lin, admissions counselor, Central Washington University
- Kenji Linane-Booey, admission counselor, Gonzaga University
- Jarrod Larse, regional admissions advisor Oregon State University
- Erin Waldschmidt, senior admissions counselor, UW Seattle

PREPARING FOR RUNNING START
Location: UW1-221
Are you planning to participate in Running Start? Come learn tips on how to maximize your time at the community college while completing high school graduation requirements.

Led by: Melanie Singson, assistant director of admissions for transfer recruitment, UW Bothell and Kristen Labrecque, transfer admissions advisor, UW Bothell

WE’RE HERE, WE’RE QUEER, AND WE’RE GOING TO COLLEGE: BEING LGBTQIA+ ON CAMPUS
Location: UW1-202
How do I know if a college is inclusive to queer and trans people? Are there resources on campus that can help me learn more about gender and sexuality topics and find community? For answers to these questions and more, join Bev (they/them) and Kenton (they/them) from College Access Now in a workshop discussing factors LGBTQIA+ students may consider in preparation to apply, attend, and succeed in college.

Led by: Bev Chan, manager, high school services, College Access Now and Kenton Westerfield, AmeriCorps college coach, College Access Now
### A Financial Aid Survival Guide: Navigating the Process of Paying for College

**Location:** UW1-220

Paying for college can be overwhelming. What is financial aid? How do I get scholarships? Come hear the answers to these questions and learn how financial aid can reduce your out-of-pocket cost.

Led by: Aric Reyna, financial aid specialist, Renton Technical College

### Making the Most Out of College Visits

**Location:** UW1-210

Are you starting to create a list of colleges you'd like to apply to? One of the most important (and fun!) parts about researching schools is stepping foot on campus and getting a feel for what it's like.

### STudent Library

**Location:** DISC-162

See Breakout Session #1 for description.

### ADEmics

> How many majors does your school offer?
> What are some of your most well-known academic programs?
> How much time do students typically spend on homework?
> What is the average class size on your campus?
> Is it easy to access the professors at your school?
> Do you have tutoring centers? A writing center? How do I access it?
> How do I figure out which classes I should be taking?
> What kind of disability resources do you offer?

### Admissions

> When does your application open?
> When is the deadline?
> Does your school require an essay or personal statement?
> What is the average GPA and SAT/ACT of the students you typically admit?
> If I have questions while I'm working on the application, who do I contact?
> How do I decide whether to take on a more challenging curriculum, such as Running Start, AP, IB, or Honors?
> What opportunities are there to visit your campus?

### Student Life/Campus Life

> Am I required to live on campus as a first year student? What does your on campus housing look like?
> What clubs do you have on campus?
> What kinds of resources do you have for students of color?
> Does your campus have a Multicultural Center or Diversity Center?
> Does your campus have sororities and fraternities?
> What activities and events do you have on campus?
> Does your campus have a Fitness Center for students?
> Does your college have collegiate sports?
> What kind of student employment opportunities are there on campus?
> What study abroad programs do you have?
> Are there student leadership opportunities?

### Finances

> What is the annual cost of tuition and fees at your school?
> Who can I contact from your school if I have questions about Financial Aid?
> Are there work-study opportunities on campus?
> Are there any special scholarships unique to your school?

### Life After Graduation

> What type of career services do you have?
> How can your career services help me?
> What is your four-year graduation rate?