

SOCIAL JUSTICE & YOU

HOSTED BY THE DIVISION OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Social Justice & You?

Social Justice & You is a 4- week online leadership experience into the practice of social justice at no cost to Pace University students. Participants will build skills and knowledge focusing on the interconnectedness of diversity, equity and inclusion through virtual workshops and discussions. Topics include power, oppression, access, gender, racism, microaggressions, LGBTQ identity, food insecurity, allyship, activism, and more. Social Justice & You gives students the opportunity to build relationships with other students and connect with Pace staff from the Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. This is an introductory program focused on social justice, and we encourage students with various levels of knowledge about social justice to participate.

Who is eligible for participating in Social Justice & You?

Current Pace University undergraduate students from all class years on both Pleasantville and NYC campuses.

How do I register?

You can register through this Google Form: www.pace.edu/deiRSVP
The registration deadline is June 19th and limited seats are available.

Who is facilitating the sessions?

Members of the Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion will be leading the sessions.

- Tiffany Hamilton (she/her/hers), Chief Diversity Officer, Associate Vice President, Diversity and Inclusion
- Emmett Griffith (he/him/his), Associate Director LGBTQA Center NYC
- Dr. Denise Belen Santiago (she/her/hers), Director Office of Multicultural Affairs, Dyson College Faculty NYC
- Rachel Simon (she/her or they/them), Interim Director Office of Multicultural Affairs, LGBTQQ Coordinator, Dyson College Faculty, PLV
- Juliette Verrengia (she/her/hers), Interpersonal Violence Prevention and Education Specialist NYC

What is the time commitment?

The sessions are 60-90 minutes (depending on that day's content) on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 1:00 - 2:30pm EST beginning July 6th and ending July 30th. There is one Friday culminating session on Friday, July 31st, for a total of 17 sessions. Between sessions, staff will be assigning readings or videos.

Does this give me class credits?

Social Justice & You does not give you class credits. However, all participants who meet the expectations will earn a badge. Badges are distributed by the Center for Professional Studies: Continuing Education Office and can be listed on your resume and LinkedIn. Demonstrating foundational knowledge of principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion is appealing to employers both on and off campus. Participants will build their activism and leadership skills for work on and off campus.

I have conflicting summer plans. What if I can't make all the sessions?

We recognize that many students have other summer obligations and commitments. We are asking that students attend 14 out of the 16 sessions to ensure the understanding of key concepts and continuity within the cohort.

How are sessions conducted?

Sessions will be live with the staff facilitator on Zoom. All Zoom information and the course syllabus will be distributed in advance through our Blackboard learning management system.

I registered but haven't heard anything. Am I in?

Registration closes at 11:59pm on 6/19. The DEI Badge faculty will reach out to participants the following week with more information.

Expectations

- Students are expected to attend all sessions, but remain eligible for certification if they attend 14 out of the 16 sessions.
- Students are strongly encouraged to communicate with staff around absences in advance when possible.
- Students are expected to come on time and prepared having done the assignments for the day including any screenings/readings.
- All participants are expected to be active and respectful participants in discussions.
- Students are expected to abide by Pace University's Guiding Principles of Conduct.
- Participants will abide by the course Participation Agreement, which will be created together in our first session.