

Student Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee

MARCH NEWSLETTER



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

February in review

BHM Celebration: SNMA and SDEI hosted a series of events including a movie screening of "Black Men in White Coats and an insightful roundtable to celebrate Black History Month

DEI Committee Leadership: Please welcome **Dr. Jose Florez Arango** as the new Chair of the Faculty & Staff DEI Committee. Joining him as the two new co-Vice Chairs of the Faculty & Staff DEI Committee are **Dr. Don Daniels** from Temple and **Dr. Amy Wright** from Houston

Dr. Florez is a Colombian immigrant and is an instructional associate professor in the Department of Humanities at the College of Medicine here in B/CS.

Dr. Daniels earned a B.S. in Biology from Prairie View A&M University 1978, MD from Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences College of Medicine 1982, and MBA from Texas A&M University Central Texas 2019. He was an Army anesthesiologist from 1982 to 2005. After retiring from the Army, he joined Scott and White Clinic as an Anesthesiologist at BSW Temple.

MARCH RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

11: Lailat al Miraj (Islam)

11: Maha Shivaratri (Hinduism)

17: St. Patrick's Day (Christianity)

19: St. Joseph's Day (Christianity)

27: Passover- First Day (Judaism)

28: Lailat al Bara'ah (Islam)

28: Palm Sunday (Christianity)

29: Holi (Hinduism-Sikhism)

DEI IN STEM FIELDS

The Science and Value of Diversity:
Closing the Gaps in Our
Understanding of Inclusion and
Diversity

Implementation and Evaluation of
an Educational Program for
Increasing Diversity and Inclusion in
Surgery for Preclinical Students

A few words from Dr. Amy Wright: "As Director of Educational Partnerships at Houston Methodist, I have the pleasure of working to enrich the academic footprint at our hospital and research institute. Being a minority myself, it delights me to see organizations and institutions initiate and commit to working groups such as the DEI Committee. I am active in the DEI initiative at Houston Methodist as Vice-Chair of the COM DEI Committee. I would ensure that I was aligning and setting a foundation for our faculty, staff, and students while helping to foster and generate innovative ideas that could be used across campuses for the evolving diverse culture and climate."

Upcoming Events

March 30: Faculty and Staff DEI Committee Meeting

Please join the new Faculty and Staff DEI Committee for their monthly meeting.

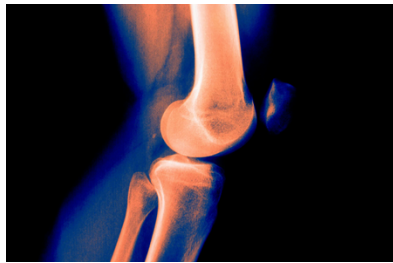
Relationships in Medicine Panel co-hosted by WiM and MedPride

Join WiM and MedPride as they host a panel of physicians discussing their relationships and work-life balance throughout their medical journeys. Keep a look out for an email with the date and zoom information!

Health Disparities and Current Events

New Algorithms Could Reduce Racial Disparities in Health Care

Machine learning programs trained with patients' own reports find problems that doctors miss—especially in Black people.



Latest Data on COVID-19 Vaccinations Race/Ethnicity

Nambi Ndugga [🐦](#), Olivia Pham, Latoya Hill [🐦](#), Samantha Artiga [🐦](#), and Salem Mengistu

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RESOURCES FOR GETTING INVOLVED IN CURRENT EVENTS

[COVID-19 Health Equity Resources compiled by the American Medical Association](#)

[Resources for Engaging in Antiracism Work](#)

[COVID-19 in Racial and Ethnic Minority Groups: What You Can Do from the CDC](#)

[MedPride College of Medicine Local Youth Resource Guide](#)

[TAMU Health and Wellness Resources](#)

[Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion TAMU LibGuides](#)

SUGGESTIONS?

Have suggestions for DEI at A&M? Please click [here](#) to leave an anonymous comment!