

**Student Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee**

# APRIL NEWSLETTER



## **THIS APRIL, SDEI IS CELEBRATING NEURODIVERGENCE**

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Neurodiversity refers to the diversity of all people but is often used in the context of autism spectrum disorder (ASD), as well as other neurological or developmental conditions such as ADHD or learning disabilities  
-Harvard Health

SDEI wants to spend the month of April celebrating neurodivergence.

## **APRIL RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS**

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02: The start of Ramadan (Islam)

14: Vaisakhi (Hinduism)

15-23: Passover (Judaism)

15: Mahavir Jayanti (Jainism)

17: Easter (Christianity)

24: Feast of the Divine Mercy  
(Christianity)

## **Upcoming Events**

**April 19th: Sex, Age, and Social Determinants of Health as Key Biological Variables in the Effects of Prenatal Alcohol Exposure: What Have We Learned? What Can We Improve?**  
**With Dr. Laura West**

Presented by SDEI  
12-1 pm in HPEB LL43  
Meeting ID: 923 5979 1283  
Passcode: 410345  
[RSVP HERE](#)

# March in Review



Last month we celebrated Women's History Month with WIM and Dr. Laura West by addressing and interrogating imposter syndrome. Thank you, Dr. Laura West!

## Current Events

### The right to abortion in Colorado is now guaranteed under state law

April 5, 2022 • Colorado joins 15 other states that have enacted laws to protect abortion, while the U.S. Supreme Court considers a challenge to *Roe v. Wade* and conservative legislatures take aim at the practice.

### Near the Polish border, a musician plays music to welcome those fleeing Ukraine

April 5, 2022 • Refugees streaming across the border at the Medyka border crossing into Poland leave behind the air raid sirens and the sounds of war and are welcomed by musician Davide Martello.

### Opinion: 5 Things I'd change about Netflix's 'Young, Famous & African'

April 5, 2022 • If Dr. Ifeanyi Nsofor could have a hand in creating another season of the reality show, he'd ditch the 'Real Housewives' drama and get the cast to talk about COVID vaccines.

### Families were split up during Afghanistan evacuations — and are still not reunited

April 5, 2022 • After the Taliban takeover, family members — even spouses — were sometimes separated during U.S. evacuation efforts. Now a global network of volunteers are trying to bring out those left behind.

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## WELLNESS RESOURCES

[Crisis Text Line](#)

[For POC](#)

[For the LGBTQ+ community](#)

## RESOURCES FOR GETTING INVOLVED IN CURRENT EVENTS

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

[Aiding Ukraine](#)

[Addressing Antisemitism](#)

[Engaging in Antiracism Work](#)

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

[Save Myanmar and Anti-Asian Racism Resources](#)