

## Center for Multicultural Education

The Center for Multicultural Education at the University of Washington, Seattle WA, focuses on research projects and activities designed to improve practice related to equity issues, intergroup relations, and the achievement of all students.

## Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity

The mission of the Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity is to ensure the access and academic success of a diverse student population through the advancement of knowledge, academic excellence, diversity, and the promotion of values, principles, and a climate that enriches the campus experience for all.

## Diversity Research Institute

The UW Diversity Research Institute (DRI), developed in 2004 by the Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity, focuses on generating new, interdisciplinary knowledge about diversity, social justice, and institutional transformation. The DRI currently hosts an annual research conference and an invited lecture series, and supports a number of diversity-related events across the University.

## College of Education

The UW College of Education believes that an effective public education system for a diverse citizenry is the cornerstone of democracy. To that end, College of Education dedicates resources toward making an excellent education a daily reality for every student in every community across this state and country.

## Education Program, UW Bothell

The Education Program, UW Bothell, engage students from all backgrounds in the study of Education through undergraduate minors, post-baccalaureate K-8 teacher certification, graduate teacher certification for teaching in middle and high school, and graduate degree programs for professional educators.

# Youth Civic Development and Education A Conference and Book Launch

The Center for Multicultural Education  
Co-Sponsored by the Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity, the Diversity Research Institute, the College of Education, and the Education Program, UW Bothell



**9:00 AM to 12:30PM**  
**Friday, May 16, 2014**  
**Walker-Ames Room, Kane Hall,**  
**University of Washington Campus**

**Please RSVP by Sending Email to**  
**[centerme@uw.edu](mailto:centerme@uw.edu) before May 1st**

This regional conference is being held to launch *Youth Civic Development and Education*, to commemorate the culmination of this two-year project, and to disseminate its results. This publication was developed at the Stanford Center on Adolescence and was published jointly by the Stanford Center on Adolescence and the Center for Multicultural Education.

Historically, public schools in the United States took on civic education as one of its primary missions. In the present environment, schools do not devote sufficient time and effort to civic education, nor is civic education high on the priority lists of influential policy makers. The civic goal of education is being left unfulfilled and even ignored by many of our schools because of the increasing emphasis on basic skills and high-stakes testing. This report calls upon schools throughout the nation to take greater responsibility for civic education and offers a set of guidelines for addressing the civic needs and interests of our diverse student population in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

In this conference, several authors will provide an overview of the report, describe how and why it was developed, and explain ways in which schools and teacher education programs can implement robust and effective civic education programs in our multicultural nation and world.

### Conference Speakers



#### **Eric Liu**

*Author, Educator, and Founder and CEO of Citizen University*



#### **William Damon**

*Professor of Education and Director of the Adolescence Center, Stanford University*



#### **Lance Bennett**

*Professor of Political Science & Ruddick C. Lawrence Professor of Communications and Director, Center for Communication and Civic Engagement, UW*



#### **James A. Banks**

*Killinger Endowed Chair and Director of the Center for Multicultural Education, UW*



#### **Dafney Blanca Dabach**

*Assistant Professor of Education, UW*



#### **Luis Fraga**

*Russell F. Stark University Professor and Director, Diversity Research Institute, UW*



#### **Kenneth Zeichner**

*Boeing Professor of Teacher Education, UW*



#### **Katharyne Mitchell**

*Professor of Geography, UW*