# INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI LIBRARIES

### **TODAY'S PRESENTATION**

I. Review terms defined on campus IDE website – active learning activity
Steven Pryor, Ruth Feldkamp, Brenda Slade

2. Introduce Inclusive Excellence Framework (also from that website) - Cindy Cotner

3. IDE Committee as resource on formulating and achieving goals and commitments tied to Inclusive Excellence Framework – Jeannette Pierce

4. IDE Committee proposal for your vote: IDE Story Moments – Rachel Brekhus



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#### **Inclusive Excellence Framework**

The Inclusive Excellence Framework reaffirms the University of Missouri's commitment to growing and sustaining a diverse and inclusive learning, living, and working environment. The university strives to be a 21st century learning community defined by excellence through the affirmation of differences in the composition of its leadership, faculty, staff, and students; the configuration of its policies, procedures, organizational structures, curricula, and cocurricular programs; and the fabric of its interpersonal relationships. This diversity framework expresses a plan for enacting the university's larger mission and for its values.

More about the Inclusive Excellence Framework:

- Background at MU
- MITInclusive Excellence Plan



#### **Recent News & Events**

Statement from Vice Chancellor Maurice Gipson Monday, Oct. 12

Disability Culture Month Register today to attend this year's Disability Culture Month events!

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A Sense of Belonging Nicole Terherst Amezcua named George Washington Carver Graduate Fellow

#### **2020 Endless Possibilities Brochure**

Learn more about Columbia, Missouri in this updated brochure.

#### Projections bring poetry to new heights 🛛

MU's Artist in Residence program returns with "In Focus: Poetry." The six-day event uses work by Mizzou Made creatives to illuminate walls around campus.

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### DIVERSITY

The various mix or combinations of human differences (e.g., personality, learning styles, and life experiences and group/social differences (e.g., race/ethnicity, class, gender/gender identity, sexual orientation, country of origin, and ability as well as cultural, political, religious, or other affiliations) that **can be engaged** in the service of learning and working together.

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### INCLUSION

The active, intentional, and ongoing engagement with diversity— in people, in the curriculum, in the co-curriculum, and in communities (intellectual, social, cultural, geographical) with which individuals might connect — in ways that increase one's awareness, content knowledge, cognitive sophistication, and empathic understanding of the complex ways individuals interact with and within systems and institutions.

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### **CAMPUS GOALS AND ACTIVITIES**



## LIBRARY COMMITMENTS (FY 2021)

Our committee can be a resources for units or individuals wishing to contribute to IDE-related commitments and goals in areas like this. Library IDE goals should be tied to the five pillars of the Inclusive Excellence framework.

- **Collections (Institutional Infrastructure)**
- Staff Climate Survey (Institutional Climate and Intergroup Relations)
- Exhibits and Programming (Education and Scholarship / Community Engagement)
- Staff Engagement and Programming (Education and Scholarship / Support and Respect)

## **COMMITMENT: IDE STORY MOMENTS**

#### IE Framework Pillar 2:

#### **Institutional Climate & Intergroup Relations**

Goal: Create and sustain an organizational environment that acknowledges and celebrates diversity and employs inclusive practices throughout its daily operations.

#### **IE Framework Pillar 3:**

#### **Education and Scholarship**

Goal: Engage students, faculty, staff, alumni and volunteers in learning varied perspectives of domestic and international diversity, inclusion, equity and social justice.

...Targeted professional development activities directed to improving the multicultural competencies of faculty and staff.

#### IDE STORY MOMENTS: FORMAT AND Content

- •10-10 minutes at monthly SAG town halls
- •Stories that engage diversity, inclusion, equity and social justice
- •Centered on life experience and local history
- •Can be space for YOUR stories ("walk in my shoes")...if & how YOU want it to be
- •Otherwise, "found" stories or mini book talks/excerpt readings
- •SAG Team as discussion/reaction space
- •"Going Deeper" readings available

Library IDE chooses and schedules, but you can send ideas for stories you'd like to lead, perform, create, or point us toward

# **GETTING INVOLVED: STORY MOMENTS**

I. Think about personal stories that make space and build empathy and understanding

- Think of a time you felt excluded at school, work, or other public setting based on some aspect of your identity...and another time you felt included with respect to that identity.
- What do you wish other people **understood better** about you, or about "people like me?"
- Think about a time you believe you or someone close to you "got off easy" or "got away with something" or "got lucky" because of something about who you/they were
- Think about a time you felt you "didn't belong" somewhere. What happened to either reinforce that feeling or reduce it?
- Think about a time you found yourself forced to walk in different shoes. How did you feel? What did you learn?
- 2. Write your story down and think about how you'd like it shared (read it aloud yourself, have someone else

read it? Anonymously or not? Ok to record or not?) Length should be readable in 5-10 minutes.

- 3. Send it to any member of the IDE Committee by email or Teams.
- 4. This is not a mechanism for reporting discrimination/microaggressions; use MU's **biashotline.ethicspoint.com** or **(844) 946-1837,** 24/7 year-round, for that.