Hello EDIA champions,

The Precision Equity and Social Justice Office (previously the Office of Professionalism, Equity and Diversity) receives notifications of upcoming events and activities related to equity, diversity, inclusion and wellness from external and internal organizations. From time to time, we will be sending out notifications of these opportunities so that you can participate or share them with your colleagues. Please respond if you prefer to not receive future emails such as this.

**Upcoming EDI-related events and webinars**

**Apr. 4, 11:00am – 12:00pm MT:** UCalgary staff, faculty, and learners are invited to an online workshop on **Responding to Disclosures of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence**, offered by UCalgary's Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Prevention and Support Office. Also offered Apr. 12, 16, 22, 24 & 30, as well as in May. Information and registration [here](#).

**Apr. 9, 11:00am – 12:00pm MT:** The next AAMC’s IDEAS Learning Series webinar is **Sharing the Experiences of Faculty with Disabilities in Academic Medicine.** This session involves a discussion with faculty in academic medicine sharing their experiences with navigating the academic environment as an individual with a disability. Details and registration [here](#).

**Apr. 10, 10:00am – 12:00pm MT:** UCalgary’s Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion presents an online workshop, **Introduction to Anti-Racism.** This introductory, interactive course is designed to support students, staff, and faculty members to enhance the development of their understanding of anti-racism in creating meaningful change within one’s spheres of influence. Also offered July 3. More details and registration (by Apr. 8) [here](#).

**Apr. 10, 10:30am – 12:00pm MT:** UCalgary’s Indigenous Research Support Team presents a webinar on **Ethics and Relationships in Indigenous Research.** This workshop is ideal for those curious about Indigenous research, community engagement, and what it means to conduct ethical research with Indigenous Peoples. More details and registration [here](#).

**April 10, 12:00 – 1:30 PM MT:** UCalgary’s Office of Indigenous Engagement presents next webinar in the 2024 Indigenous Knowledge Lecture Series. Dr. Gabrielle Weasel Head will be speaking on **In the Spirit of Dr. Betty Bastien: Conceptualizing Ontological Responsibilities in Higher Education.** Register [here](#).

**Apr. 11, 12:00 – 1:00pm MT:** CSM’s **Pathways to Healing circles** provide a safe space for discussing ideas, building relationships, engaging in peer-based learning and collaboration, and seeking guidance on the **Pathways to Healing application process.** The circles create a community of practice and knowledge with a shared passion for working toward meaningful learning, sharing best practices and creating new knowledge. To learn more about the initiative, check out the [information session recording](#). Details and registration for the Pathways to Healing Circle [here](#). (Other sessions on May 9 & 23, June 6 & 20)
Apr. 19, 3:00 – 4:00pm MT: UCalgary’s Haskayne School of Business presents an in-person screening of Face Value, a documentary that delves into the experiences of 19 people with facial differences, how they navigate society and develop a sense of unique self-worth. Watch the trailer. More details and registration here

Apr. 23, 6:00am – 2:30pm MT: Health Data Research Network Canada presents a one-day online (and in-person in Montreal) conference, Health Data for All of Us: Earning Trust Through Transparency, a public forum for researchers, community groups, members of the public and policymakers with sessions focused on trust and transparency in health data including Indigenous data sovereignty, AI, data equity and privacy.

Apr. 24, 12:10 – 12:50pm MT: The members of UCalgary/CSM/AHS Sexual Violence teams present regular virtual workshops, discussing various topics related to sexual violence. This session is What should I know about sexual violence and racism? Details and registration here

Apr. 25, 12:00 – 12:45pm MT: The Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund presents a conversation with the Honourable Justice Murray Sinclair, former Chair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (2009-2015), streaming live on DWF’s YouTube Channel.

May 1, 1:00 -2:30pm MT: UCalgary’s Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion presents an online workshop, Allyship: Strategies and Actions. This workshop will look at the allyship journey in relation to privilege, positionality and intersectionality of identity, as well as strategies and actions of inclusive allyship. Also offered June 10. More details and registration through your UCalgary MyLearning account here

Upcoming EDI-related Courses and Conferences:
UCalgary staff, faculty and learners are invited to participate in First Responder to Sexual Assault and Abuse Training™. This comprehensive training place on Zoom, each Tuesday afternoon from Apr. 30 – May 28 and will build the capacity of professionals, paraprofessionals, and community members to assess and respond effectively to disclosures of sexual assault and sexual abuse. More details and registration here

Academic staff at UCalgary are invited to register for an introductory course on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (EDIA) in Teaching and Learning, offered through the Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning. Participants in this hybrid course, with two Zoom sessions on May 14 and May 27, along with asynchronous components, will discuss positionality, intersectionality, bias, inclusive teaching practices and more. Learn more and register here

Apr. 24-26: Plan to attend the UCalgary Conference on Postsecondary Learning and Teaching. The theme of the 2024 conference is Courageous Practices: Equity, Diversity and Belonging in Postsecondary Education. Keynote addresses include anti-racist approaches to higher education, issues of anti-disablism, and changing systems and ourselves for equity.

June 8 + 4 post-conference webinars: The Alberta Sexual Assault Course and Conference is
designed to share core training and provide management updates for urban and rural healthcare professionals caring for patients that have experienced sexual violence, with sessions that are tailored to both medical and non-medical professionals. Alberta practitioners can attend for only $25.

Opportunities and Award Nominations
The CIHR Institute of Gender and Health is recruiting advisory board members. Candidates with cross-disciplinary interests in gender, sex and health are encouraged to apply, especially those with experience in health care delivery, knowledge translation or public policy, as well as those who identify as Indigenous, Black, racialized, gender diverse or francophone. Apply by Apr. 25 – details here.

Nominations are now open until July 1 for the Governor General’s Awards in Commemoration of the Persons Case that recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions towards achieving gender equality in Canada. More details here.

Resources:
The Black Health Collaborative has developed the Black Health Primer, an online asynchronous course with 8 modules designed to provide learners with tools and resources to address anti-Black racism and revolutionize the Canadian healthcare system. Check the website for learning objectives, module descriptions, and fees.

A webinar on Achieving Vaccine Equity for Children and Youth presented by Children’s Healthcare Canada is now available for viewing. The webinar focuses on addressing vaccine hesitancy within newcomer communities, with actionable insights for healthcare providers.

Recordings of recent webinars, podcasts and presentations:
Three Questions About Teaching and Learning (3QTL), a podcast created by UCalgary’s Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning, recently spoke with Drs. Regine King and Patrina Duhaney about How might we collaborate to advance racial justice? Listen here.

The current episode of The Conversation’s Don’t Call Me Resilient podcast discusses how Colonialists Used Starvation as a Tool of Oppression, focusing on two historic examples, the decimation of Indigenous populations on the North American plains and the 1943 Bengal famine. Listen here.

EDIA Quote of the Day
Anyone who thinks that they are too small to make a difference has never tried to fall asleep with a mosquito in the room.
~ The Dalai Lama

Regards,
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