Diversity in Action at VUSN is updated monthly. The page features a rolling collection of all advertised University, School of Nursing and local cultural events along with national and international nursing conferences having a diversity and inclusion emphasis. In addition, there is a list of current ethnic-minority nursing organizations as well as other nursing organizations, whose focus is on culture, diversity and inclusion as relates to nursing education, practice and research. Explore the monthly announcements and find out what is going on in the area of diversity and nursing. Enjoy.

Vanderbilt School of Nursing
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"Diversity at VUSN: An Open Discussion"

with

Dr. Rumay Alexander, EdD, RN, FAAN
Chief Diversity Officer, Associate Vice Chancellor of the Office of Inclusive Excellence and Professor of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Wednesday, February 6, 2019
12:00 PM – 12:55 PM
Nursing Annex 167
Contact Olivia Wreford at olivia.l.wreford@vanderbilt.edu for poster guidelines or click here.

Diversity Day Poster Session
Feb. 26, 2019
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Atrium

Create a poster board display of your culture or a culture of interest to you!

Co-sponsored by VUSN Black Student Nurses Organization and Sigma Theta Tau, Inc. Iota Chapter

Diversity Month Lunch Events
Hold the Dates
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
NA 167

Snacks and Facts: Who We Are sponsored by the

Feb. 12 - Asian American/Pacific Islander Student Nurses Organization
Feb. 18 - Hispanic/Latino Student Nurses Organization
Feb. 19 - American Assembly for Men in Nursing; Middle Tennessee Chapter at Vanderbilt
Feb. 25 - Black Student Nurses Organization
The BCC is offering an event every day during Black History Month
See all of the Events at this link
https://www.vanderbilt.edu/bcc/bhm-events/

The Bishop Joseph Black Cultural Center, the Office of LGBTQI Life and Lambda Association present:

The Hate Within
A town hall on homophobia and transphobia in the black community

Tuesday, February 12th
6 PM
Black Cultural Center Auditorium
IMPACT Film Series

Monday, February 21 | 5:30 p.m. | BCC Auditorium

In conjunction with the Black Cultural Center, the Office for Inclusive Excellence will host a film screening for "Rikers: An American Jail." This riveting award-winning documentary from Bill Moyers brings you face to face with men and women who have endured incarceration at Rikers Island. Pizza will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the film will begin at 6:00 p.m. A discussion led by Dr. Rosevelt Noble will follow the film.

Learn more about the film here.

For more information visit the Website: https://www.vanderbilt.edu/bcc

The Black History Month Kickoff Luncheon

Friday, February 01, 2019, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center Contact: Katrina Crawford katrina.m.crawford@vanderbilt.edu
Join us for great food, fun, music, and fellowship as we kick off an amazing Black History Month with activities at the BCC.

BCC and LGBTQI Life Community Service Project

Saturday, February 02, 2019, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Location: Second Harvest Food Bank • 331 Great Circle Road
Contact: Katrina Crawford katrina.m.crawford@vanderbilt.edu
Join the BCC and LGBTQI Life for an afternoon of service at Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee.

Mass Incarceration and Restorative Arts: A conversation with Composer Hannibal Lokumbe and Dr. Rosevelt Noble

Wednesday, February 06, 2019, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Location: Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center
Contact: Katrina Crawford katrina.m.crawford@vanderbilt.edu
Audience: Free and Open to the Public
Composer Hannibal Lokumbe joins Dr. Rosevelt Noble, a scholar of the American criminal justice system and Director of the BCC, for a conversation discussing Hannibal’s work with incarcerated men and women around the country, the power of music to heal, and the impact of race in the American prison system.

**Center for Latin American Studies**

**Upcoming Events**

2/8/19 12:10 pm - Lunch talk with Jason De León: "Soldiers and Kings: Violence, Masculinity, and Photoethnographic Practice in the Context of Human Smuggling Across Mexico"

2/11/19 6:00 pm - HAITI WEEK Kick-off Event: "Cooking and Creole"

2/12/19 12:10 pm - HAITI WEEK: Lunch talk with Patrick Bellegarde-Smith: "The Price of Admission: Louis-Marie Dantes Bellegarde’s Life and Oeuvre in Context"

**Inclusive Excellence**

**Faculty Writing Session**

Providing a supportive writing environment and an opportunity to build community

Breakfast provided!
Quiet writing time

All sessions will be held in Kissam C210 with breakfast available beginning at 8:30 am and writing concluding at 11:00 am.
Registration Required. [Register Here](#)

February 1, 2019
March 1, 2019
April 5, 2019

**Graduate Student and Faculty Webinars** Each webinar addresses a different professional development topic, and offers advice and tools on how to navigate aspects of the professional academic life. Independent viewings for faculty and students, and lunch will be provided for both.
Faculty IMPACT Leadership Workshop - sign up here
Date/Location: Friday, February 22, 2019, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Kissam Classroom 216
Description: Three keys to being a more effective leader are 1) knowing your strengths and investing in others' strengths, 2) getting people with the right strengths on your team, and 3) understanding and meeting the basic needs of those who look to you for leadership. This session will stimulate an introspective examination of your personal temperament and assets and explore the relevance of individual styles and their impact on management and professional navigation in an academic context.

Upcoming Events

End of the Month Kickback: 100 Day Party
Wednesday, February 28, 2019 at 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Location Multicultural Lounge (Sarratt 335)
RSVP to Event

The End of the Month Kickback is an opportunity for members of the Vanderbilt community to mentally reset and recharge. Each month, IICC will seek to foster an environment that engages in heathy wellness and well-being initiatives and practices that are culturally relevant to the needs of multicultural, international, and underrepresented populations.

What's Going on at Hillel? See the full calendar

Learn more about our summer 2019 trip in the fall of 2018.

Graduate Student Programming Learn More Here
Welcome to Jewish Nashville  The Jewish community in Nashville is an exciting, dynamic and friendly community. Our outreach services will connect you to the community resources you are looking for. Contact us for more information at outreach@jewishnashville.org, or at (615) 354-1696.

We are grateful for the support from the National Council of Jewish Women, Nashville Section for helping us offer free Shabbat meals to students on Vanderbilt’s campus. See the Full Calendar Here

Questions? Cotact Max Ryabinin at maxim.ryabinin@vanderbilt.edu

Learn more about Vanderbilt Program for LGBTI Health here https://vanderbilthealth.com/lgbtihealthprogram/

Calendar of events
Vanderbilt University Medical Center is committed to a welcoming and supportive environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) patients. We’ve earned a 100% rating on the Human Rights Campaign’s Equality Index for the past 6 years.

Our Vanderbilt Program for LGBTI Health connects patients with specially trained LGBTI providers and helps ensure outstanding medical care in an atmosphere of compassion and respect.

LOCATE LGBTI-COMPETENT PROVIDERS within Vanderbilt University Medical Center and our affiliated clinics. Call (615) 936-3879 to reach one of our team members.

LGBTQ HEALTH: RELATED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS
Vanderbilt Clinic for Transgender Health
The OUT in Front College Conference is open to any currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate student at a two- or four-year institution, and to folks currently enrolled in both traditional and trade school programs. The conference is free to attend and allows you to meet peers from across the Southeast region to share resources, network, develop leadership skills, and foster a strong community of LGBTQIA+ and allied student leaders.

The mission of OUT in Front is to engage students, faculty, and staff from across the Southeast region in issues relevant to the LGBTQIA+ community and society at large. Each year, the conference strives to connect both individuals and communities with resources that will help to enrich the lives of LGBTQIA+ and Allies in the South/Southeast. OUT in Front strives to enhance leadership development for LGBTQIA+ and allied students.

**Upcoming events:** [https://events.vanderbilt.edu/calendar/list?xtags=LGBTQI](https://events.vanderbilt.edu/calendar/list?xtags=LGBTQI)
Robert Penn Warren Black Atlantic Speakers Seminar

Monday, February 04, 2019, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center Auditorium
Contact: Jane G. Landers  jane.landers@vanderbilt.edu
Phone: 6153223403
Website: https://as.vanderbilt.edu/history/bio/jane-landers
Audience: Free and Open to the Public

This year the Black Atlantic Speakers Seminar sponsored by the Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities welcomes Professor Herman Bennett of The Graduate Center of the City University of New York

https://www.gc.cuny.edu/Page-Elements/Academics-Research-Centers-Initiatives/Doctoral-Programs/History/Faculty-Bios/Herman-Bennett'

Professor Bennett will be speaking on Monday, February 4 at 4:10 in the Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center with a reception to follow.

His talk is entitled “Before the Human: Africans, Sovereigns & Slaves”
The Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center is an affirming space for women and for all members of the Vanderbilt community that actively resists sexism and all forms of oppression by providing resources and educational programming.

Women’s Center website

Women’s Center seeking nominations for 2019 awards
The Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center is seeking nominations for its annual awards that recognize and honor Vanderbilt community members for their contributions to the advancement of university women. The deadline to submit nominations is Friday, Feb. 22.

See all the Women’s Center Programs

- Kitchen Table Series at 5 PM in Sarratt 363. Dinner will be provided at all programs. Space is limited to the first 30 attendees.

Who is Body Positivity For?
Tuesday, February 26
Body positivity used to be about radical self-love for all, but has shifted to celebrity endorsed “fit teas” and other products aimed to bring bodies closer to the American ideal. We will discuss how everyone can reclaim the movement and love their bodies for what they are.

- Work–Life Workshops At noon in Sarratt 216/220. Lunch will be provided on a first come, first-served basis.

Navigating Organizational Politics
Thursday, February 28
Stephanie Dean, LPC, Work-Life Connections, EAP

- Women in the Academy at noon and are held in Sarratt 216/220. Lunch is provided.

Mindfulness for Stress Reduction
Wednesday, February 27
Michelle Foote Pearce, Director of Mindfulness Programs and Outreach Osher Center for Integrative Medicine

- Vandy Sex Ed
- Salary Negotiation Workshop
- Feminism 101
- Women’s History Month
- Cuninggim Lecture on Women in Culture and Society
- PREVAIL
Programs

- Chaplain’s Speaker Series
- GriefNet
- the Shop
- Bridge Building
- Food For Thought
- Science & Religion

Holocaust Lecture Series 40th Anniversary Events
January 14-February 28: Warsaw Ghetto Uprising Exhibit at Sarratt Gallery

Chaplain’s Speaker Series

February 19 at 7 PM
Benton Chapel

Anthony Ray Hinton

Project Dialogue on AnchorLink

Narrative 4 (Tuesdays from 5 PM – 7 PM at OUCRL, 401 24th Ave. S):
The story exchange is a powerful model based on the belief of Narrative 4’s founding authors. They understand that we will see the world, and ourselves, more empathically through the exchange of personal narratives. Today, this belief is supported by the work of neuroscientists, as well as by the experiences of story exchange participants. The story exchanges on the following dates will be led by a Narrative 4 facilitators.
February 5, 12, 19, 26
March 5, 19, 26

“This I Believe” Series (Thursdays from 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM at OUCRL, 401 24th Ave. S):
The title/topic of this dinner series is based on the National Public Radio dialogues on belief. (See https://thisibelieve.org/guidelines/). Guest faculty will lead the dinner conversation with students. Faculty are invited to follow the following guidelines in preparing their “This I Believe” essay: See the guidelines here
March 28– Dr. Sharon Shields, Professor in the Practice of Human and Organizational Development
Vanderbilt University Medical Center has launched the Flexner Discovery Lecture Series featuring the world’s most eminent scientists, who will speak on the highest-impact research and policy issues in science and medicine today. See Upcoming Lectures.

Unconscious Bias Defined Here

The Hate U Give: Finding Your Activism, and Turning the Political into the Personal

Wednesday, February 13

6:30 p.m. | Langford Auditorium

Join us for this keynote lecture with award-winning author of The Hate You Give, Angie Thomas!

Tickets are required and can be picked up at the Sarratt Box office or online at Angie Thomas keynote. Event is free and open to the public. General public tickets available NOW!
Diversity and Cultural Events in Nashville

Upcoming Events
Feb 5 4th Annual Predators Pride Night - Pre-Reception and Game
Feb 9 Don't Be An A**hole Nashville
Feb 28 Nashville LGBT Chamber- February Brewing Up Business- Adventure Science Center

Avant Garde: Moulin Rouge 2019
Saturday, February 16, 2019

More info and buy tickets here
February Full Month BLACK HISTORY MONTH Celebrates Black History and African American culture in the United States.

February 1 NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY Commemorates the signing of the 13th Amendment, which abolished slavery in 1865.

February 5 LUNAR NEW YEAR • Confucian, Daoist and Buddhist Also known as the Spring Festival, an important festival celebrated at the turn of the traditional lunisolar Chinese calendar.

February 14 VALENTINE’S DAY Celebrates the idea of romantic love.

February 15 SUSAN B. ANTHONY DAY A commemorative holiday to celebrate the birth of Susan B. Anthony (1820–1906) and women's suffrage in the United States.

February 15 NIRVANA DAY • Buddhist Celebrates the day when the historical Buddha achieved Parinirvana, or complete Nirvana, upon the death of his physical body. Sometimes celebrated on February 8.

February 18 PRESIDENTS’ DAY Honors all past presidents of the United States of America.

February 20 WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE U.N. day to recognize efforts to achieve fair outcomes for all through employment, social protection, social dialogue, and fundamental principles and rights at work.

February 26 – March 1 AYYÁM-I-HA OR INTERCALARY DAYS • Bahá’í The Ayyám-i-ha, or “Days of Ha” are devoted to spiritual preparation for the fast, celebrating, hospitality, charity and gift giving. They are celebrated the four days, five in leap year, before the last month of the Bahá’í year by inserting days into the calendar in order to maintain their solar calendar.
Out in Front LGBTQI and Ally Undergraduate Student Leadership Conference  
February 23, 2019  
Sarratt/Rand Student Center

Next Gen Nursing - Theme: Building a Culture of Nursing Excellence  
February 20-21, 2019  
San Francisco, USA

48th Global Nursing & Healthcare Conference - Theme: Explore latest innovations in Nursing and Healthcare  
March 04-06, 2019 Barcelona, Spain  
Theme: Explore latest innovations in Nursing and Healthcare

21st Global Nursing Education Conference - Theme: Current Challenges and Innovations in Nursing Education  
March 25-26, 2019  
Orlando, USA

Nursing Education & Research Exploring the future challenges in Nursing Education & Research  
April 12-13, 2019  
Toronto, Canada

SYNChronicity 2019: The National Conference on HIV, HCV, STDs, & LGBT Health  
April 14, 2019 - April 16, 2019  
Washington, DC

Advanced Nursing & Healthcare Simulation - Exploring the Latest Advances in Nursing & Healthcare  
April 24-25, 2019  
Houston, Texas

Nursing & Midwifery - Theme: Exploring the Importance of Nurses & Midwives  
May 17-18, 2019  
Philadelphia, USA

NBNA 47th Annual Institute and Conference - "Advancing Nursing Practice: Innovation, Access and Health Equity"  
July 23rd - July 28th, 2019  
New Orleans, LA
Ethnic-minority nursing organizations & websites

American Association of Indian Nurses - New Jersey

DiversityNursing.com

MinorityNurse.com

National Alaska Native American Indian Nurses Association (NANAINA)

National American Arab Nurses' Association

National Association of Hispanic Nurses

National Association of Indian Nurses of America

National Black Nurses Association

National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurse Associations

Philippine Nurses Association of America

Association of American Colleges

American Association of Colleges of Nursing