

LFS EDI Working Group
November 20, 2020
2pm-3pm

Attendees: Melody Wang; Anisha Sandhu; Karen Lee; Will Valley, Gabriella Sunario

Next meeting: December 11, 2020, 2pm-3pm

<https://ubc.zoom.us/j/9900297322?pwd=Vkk5eXJsRjFBOWhqeEh2MTVqL2pEUT09>

Agenda

- Check-in
- Report back on any EDI activities from past month
 - New report - [Identifying and Countering White Supremacy Culture in Food Systems](#)
 - Connections to [UN SDGs](#)?
- [Review APSC EDI Report](#)
- [Outcome Measurement Framework](#) review/progress
- AOB?

ACTION ITEMS

ALL

- Reach out to your associated stakeholder group to determine interest in EDI related activities
- Track and record any EDI activities that occur between meetings so we can keep a current record for reporting (send to Karen (karen.lee@ubc.ca) and Will
- Think about value adds/perks we can organize for this group
- Add ideas to the OMF doc and color code or put your initials next to your comments
- Think about Term 2 event that we can organize and offer together

Notes

1. Report back on any EDI activities from past month
 - a. LFSUS EDI Sub-Committee
 - i. Events
 - ii. Outreach
 - iii. Social Media (e.g., LFS US EDI Instagram)
 - iv. <https://equity.ubc.ca/get-involved/equity-student-advisory-council/> - encouraging a student from LFS to join this UBC group
 - b. LFS Communications
 - i. Action Plan
 1. Dairy Centre + UBC IRSI - Land acknowledgements, recognitions and developing relations with Indigenous communities
 - ii. Metrics + Capturing Data through Provost office
2. [Review APSC EDI Report](#)

- a. The APSC model has been thematic (see themes below)
 - i. Curriculum and Classroom Environment
 - ii. Co- and Extra-curricular programming
 - iii. Metrics, Competencies and Policies
 - iv. Faculty Training
 - v. Staff and TA/GRA Training
 - b. LFS seems to be moving towards a stakeholder group orientation for now, although this may change in the future
 - i. LFSUS (undegrad)
 - ii. Graduate
 - iii. Staff
 - iv. Faculty
3. [Outcome Measurement Framework](#) review/progress
- a. Process of completing the framework (and in light of APSC model) has brought us to better articulating what this group might be
 - i. LFS EDI Committee - which is comprised of individuals who are chairing/leading subcommittees associated with our different stakeholder groups in LFS
 - ii. LFS US - Gaby, Melody, Anish
 - iii. Staff - Karen, who will reach out to Boahua, Clare and Jessica to organize and strategize EDI related events, activities etc with staff
 - iv. Faculty - Will, plus other faculty members who are interested in EDI
 - v. Grad - Linda
 - b. Metrics in LFS
 - i. Karen to lead, Will to support
 - ii. Monthly reporting of activities related to EDI in LFS through subcommittee/stakeholder group leads, which will help our reporting internally/externally, add to our public facing (soon to be created) outreach material, and build greater likelihood of collaboration within LFS
4. Value-Add Ideas
- a. Benefits/perks to being a member of the LFS EDI Group
 - i. Workshop with expert?
 - ii. Book club?
 - iii. Professional development?
 - iv. Other ideas?
 - b. Once we have decided what we would like to work on together, we can ask for supporting funds
5. Term 2 event, December ideas - LFS US lead
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October Meeting Minutes

Agenda

- Check-in
- Survey Results
- OMF

ACTION ITEMS

- **Will**
 - Send/archive resources for creating community agreements and body work activities
 - Confirm spelling of names in survey results
 - Send follow up email with link to Google folder and include Clare and Jessica (clare.cullen@ubc.ca) and (jessica.latus@ubc.ca)
- **All**
 - Think about your own self interest in this group and what will keep you coming back
 - Add ideas to the OMF doc and color code or put your initials next to your comments

Discussion Topics

- **Survey Results**
 - 32 responses to date, but will do another push and leave it open until the middle of November
 - How would you rate LFS in terms of EDI
 - lower end of the scale for diversity
 - Grateful people were open enough to provide honest feedback in the open ended results especially the participant that indicated a harmful statement
 - We could ask faculty to report back on labour based on gender
 - Targeted approach of EDI with faculty vs. students
 - Feeling of support of moving forward, but how do we go forward
 - Use the survey as a data collection tool in conversations with others
- **Outcome Measurement Framework**^P_{SEP}
 - Could students get credit to do this work as directed studies
 - Working group with a webpage, etc.
 - Karen proposes a centralized, and holistic rollout so we can acknowledge work of whole faculty
 - How to develop this group's capacity because we currently lack credentials
- **AOB**

Agenda

- Introductions
- Past + Current EDI related projects
- Opportunities for coordination within LFS

ACTION ITEMS

- **Will**
 - ~~— Create google drive folder~~
 - ~~— Create meeting minutes~~
 - ~~— Create scheduling poll~~
 - Create survey for collecting baseline data
 - Send/archive resources for creating community agreements and body work activities
- **All**
 - Collect baseline data through survey and conversations
 - Record general themes, experiences, ideas and activities that emerge from data collection methods
 - Be prepared to report back themes/ideas in next month's meeting

Discussion Topics

- Google Drive Folder created to manage and archive documents related to our working group - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E8kzoDFmgB-i7Z3atK6ViaEZx4QdYhWA9W2V2nCF67Q/edit?usp=sharing>
- Baseline data - we need to get a sense of how individuals in LFS perceive issues of EDI in the faculty.
 - **Survey Content/Questions**
 - DRAFT - https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5o2IHVJP3DhIEHz
 - Explanation of purpose or survey
 - EDI - definitions
 - Q: How would do you rate LFS in terms of promoting and addressing issues related to EDI
 - Q: What are some ways in which LFS can better promote and address issues of EDI
 - Q: Would you like to get involved in EDI activities in LFS [submit email]
 - **Conversations with colleagues** - We also discussed recording anonymous insights from colleagues and peers over the month, in terms of their experiences in LFS, at UBC, or beyond
 - Enter insights here - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E8kzoDFmgB-i7Z3atK6ViaEZx4QdYhWA9W2V2nCF67Q/edit?usp=sharing>
- Resource Sharing

- Archive EDI related resources in the Resource Folder (e.g., Community Agreement templates, body work activities)
- Finding a time to meet each month - please indicate a time of the week that works for you for Term 1.
 - <https://www.when2meet.com/?9914096-rrQOU>
- To be considered moving forward
 - Workshops that integrate Instructor + student + staff perspectives and objectives
 - What are the fundamental EDI knowledge and skills that need to be cultivated in LFS and how would we develop programs/workshops/activities to reach these learning goals?
- Awareness campaign - issues and support (e.g., UBC EIO, SPARC Resources)
- Tri-council requirements - are we supporting students to be successful?
- Highlight current initiatives - Just Food TLEF; Jerry's Kasten's work; Jen Black; Hannah Wittman; Eduardo Jovel; LFSUS; etc