

The Office of Diversity & Inclusion
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Presents
The Second Lecture
of the

Diversity and Inclusion Speaker's Series

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“The Importance of Diversity to our Quest for Excellence in Higher Education”

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For a modern university, excellence is inextricably tied to diversity — in the most broad and comprehensive definition of the word. The power of universities comes from their ability to engender new ways of thinking, open up new perspectives, and foster the creation of ideas. When it comes to meeting complex societal challenges, if the people around the table are more diverse, the conversation is richer and the solutions are better. The challenge is to fundamentally organize higher educational institutions to comprehensively approach the creation of diverse communities. From business and academic practices to student recruitment to faculty retention to community engagement — the best universities of the coming decades will be those that establish themselves as self-sustaining incubators of diverse people, perspectives, and ideas.

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