

# THE INTERCULTURAL CENTER

## At a Glance

### Mission

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The Intercultural Center is committed to enhancing the experience of domestic and international underrepresented groups by offering co-curricular programming, advising and advocacy that enhances intercultural knowledge, competency and leadership. By promoting a welcoming environment, we strive to uphold the Wake Forest mission of Pro Humanitate.

### Vision

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We strive to **ENGAGE** students through programming, student organization support, and creating a safe space on campus by emphasizing identity, intersectionality and relationship building to promote intercultural understanding.

We strive to **DEVELOP** students' intercultural knowledge through collaboration, assessment of our efforts, and building a community among domestic and international underrepresented students.

Ultimately, we want all students to **THRIVE** in a global environment by creating opportunities to interact with students from diverse backgrounds, creating a sense of belonging for underrepresented students, and to leave Wake Forest with an appreciation and respect of other cultures.

### Snapshot

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#### **Intercultural, Education and Social:**

The IC strives to produce quality programming which not only meets the needs of a diverse student body, but provides opportunities for meaningful engagement and cross-cultural interactions for the Wake Forest University. Some of our key signature programs include: World Cultural Festival, First Friday's, Journeys to Success Speaker Series, Friday Morning Breakfast, Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month, The Coach Is In, Black History Month, MLK Celebration and many more.

#### **Student Support and Engagement:**

Our Intercultural Ambassadors help to build an inclusive community, increase student engagement through involvement with co-curricular programming and ensure adequate assessment and buy-in of the Intercultural Center mission from the campus community. Additionally, we use our Listserve to increase awareness of upcoming programs, internship and scholarship opportunities, as well as important university deadlines. Staff within the IC also serve as advisors to several student organizations on campus. Lastly, we offer financial assistance through: Textbook Assistance, Programming Co-sponsorships, and Financial Assistance for Study Abroad, Internship and Service Trip opportunities.

#### **Identity Development:**

The IC provides space for students to connect with their racial/ethnic identities through M4: Making Meaning of Men & Masculinities, WE3: Women Encouraging Empowerment Through Exploration, AAIG: Asian American Identity Group and monthly women of color discussion groups in collaboration with the Women's Center. Additionally, the Men of Color Legacy Dinner and the Shaping Her Essence (SHE) Dinner offers a time for faculty/staff and students of color to network and build community.