Diversity this Week
A message from the Associate Provost for Diversity
Doing the work of creating an inclusive culture here at Ball State University

Each semester presents us with new opportunities to create community and we thank you again for your efforts to create an inclusive and inviting campus. With this spirit of inclusion in mind, please ask yourself, "How warm is my spring syllabus?"

Transparency, compassion, and enthusiasm are critical elements for a successful classroom experience and your syllabus is a key method thorough which these sentiments are transmitted. Does your syllabus convey a supportive, yet rigorous, learning environment? Or does it perhaps lean more toward an authoritarian, even combative tone? To learn more about the "temperature" of your syllabus, check out this column: https://www.psychologicalscience.org/observer/creating-the-foundation-for-a-warm-classroom-climate

View the complete Diversity This Week Here

This Week in Diversity NOW Expand your horizons...

January 4 World Braille Day Celebrates the birth of Louis Braille, inventor of the reading and writing system used by millions of blind and partially sighted people all over the globe


January 7: Christmas for Eastern Orthodox Christians, who celebrate Christmas 13 days later than other Christian churches, because they follow the Julian rather than the Gregorian version of the Western calendar.

& looking back. This week in Diversity in 1942

The name "United Nations", coined by United States President Franklin D. Roosevelt was first used in the Declaration by United Nations of 1 January 1942, during the Second World War, when representatives of 26 nations pledged their Governments to work together.

Featured Diversity Scholarship An opportunity to showcase faculty publications 2016-17


(2016). Sex is the weapon: Video game culture as "Boy Culture." In Jimmie Manning and Carey Noland (Eds.), Contemporary Studies of Sexuality & Communication (pp. 433-446.), Dubuque, IA.

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity

Writing through Writer's Block: Turning Research Obstacles into Insight
This series will explore the multiple forms that writing blocks take, consider challenges that underrepresented faculty may experience in relation to writing, and identify strategies for attending to blocks so as to turn obstacles into insight.

- Are you feeling stuck in your writing?
- Are you no longer sure exactly where or how to start?
- Do you maintain unrealistic standards?

View the webinar using this link https://www.facultydiversity.org/webinars/writersblock17 Can't view the resource? Be sure to register. Ball State University faculty and graduate students can register at https://www.facultydiversity.org/join

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