

A-STATE MULTICULTURAL CENTER NEWSLETTER

EVENTS IN THE MC

Welcome Week!

Ice Cream Social

When: August 21 from 11 am to 2 pm (Or while supplies last).

Where: The MC located on the third floor of the Student Union, Suite 3003'

Details: An ice cream sundae bar with two flavors of ice cream, sauces and toppings will be available to students. As well as the opportunity to meet the MC Staff and hear about upcoming events.

Non-Traditional Student Grab & Go Lunch

When: August 22 from 11 am to 1 pm.

Where: Non-Trad Student Lounge (Second Floor of the Student Union)

Details: Non-Traditional Students are invited to drop by the lounge to grab lunch and meet the MC Staff. Students will learn about the Non-Trad Student Organization (NTSO) and special events for Non-Trad Students this year.

IN THE KNOW, ON CAMPUS

Monday, August 21, 2017

SAB Welcome week begins

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

NPHC Welcome week begins

Thursday, August 24, 2017

DiversiTEA; 2 p.m. in the SunBelt Lounge.

Friday, August 25, 2017

- Intent to Graduate Forms (online) Due
- Fall 2018 late registration ends

IN YOUR COMMUNITY

The MC is happy to collaborate with various community organizations and businesses.

If you know of an organization or business that would like to support or collaborate with the MC, have them reach out to us at astateMC@astate.edu.

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JUNE/JULY WRAP UP

June and July were busy for the Center as we prepared for an awesome new school year at A-State! Here's a list of some of our accomplishments:

- The MC has a new Director, Dr. Evette Allen and a new Office Manager, Rachel Hendrix.
- The Multicultural Mixer Committee began meeting to plan and prepare for a great event!
- The Thompson Scholarship Committee met and created a schedule to assess applications.

EVENT SPOTLIGHT

2017 Multicultural Mixer

The MC sponsored a Welcome event for new and current students on August 20, 2017. The event was held in Centennial Hall at 4:00 p.m. Over 170 students, faculty, staff, parents and family members attended the event. During the event, students participated in engaging activities while learning more about A-State and what to expect as new college students.

In collaboration with the welcome event, the Office of Diversity sponsored a session specifically for parents and families to mingle with faculty and staff.



FACULTY/STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Evette Allen is the new Director of the Multicultural Center and Non-Traditional Student Services. She is from Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and is an A-State Alumni. She has over 8 years of experience in Higher Education and has worked in various areas on college campuses such as New Student Orientation, academic advising, and multicultural affairs. She previously worked at the Center for Multicultural Excellence at the University of Denver and served as the lead administrator on a task force to start the Center for Diversity and Inclusion at Utah State University Eastern. She has presented at local, national, and regional conferences on diversity related topics and continues to publish work on the experiences of Students of Color in higher education and leadership development for students.

She holds a B.A. in Communication Studies from Arkansas State University, an M.A. in Communication Studies from University of North Texas, an M.S. in Family Studies from Texas Woman's University, and a Ph.D. in Higher Education from the University of Denver.

Q & A with Dr. Allen

What brought you back to A-State?

"A great opportunity to do what I love, educate students, and ensure they are prepared to effectively interact in an increasingly diverse world. It is important that students learn how to operate outside of their world view to ensure equitable resources and opportunities for all. So, this was a perfect opportunity to return to my home state, alma mater, and do what I love."

What are you most excited about as the new director of the MC?

"I am excited to see students. I started at the end of the semester during spring finals, so students were getting ready to head home. It will be great to connect with students in August. It will be great to work with students on cultural programs and workshops, and I am excited to watch them grow in ways that will help them impact our world for the better. I am also excited about our new initiatives around multicultural education (i.e. Peer educators)."

OPPORTUNITIES AT THE MC

- We are hiring for a Work Study Front Desk Worker!
- Become an MC Ambassador!
- Multicultural Monday, August 28 from 11 a.m. to 1p.m. Play a trivia game and win prizes!