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CYCLE OF CHANGE

AWARENESS

Acquire knowledge of a situation and facts, listen, recognize inequities, ask questions, participate in equity and inclusion programming and events

UNDERSTANDING

Perceive the meaning of equitable and inclusive actions, practice being mindful of them; dialogue with others; seek knowledge and training; do research

EMBRACING

Acknowledge inequities and social justice issues exist and decide to adopt and wholeheartedly accept that equity and inclusion work is paramount

COMMITMENT

Get involved; do the work necessary to eradicate inequities and create inclusive environments; be accountable; be dedicated

ACTION

Identify and execute plans to continually drive equity and inclusion inside and outside of the classroom and within communities

CHANGE

Review policies, practices, and action plans to continually contribute to being a more equitable and inclusive community; document, evaluate, and strengthen outcomes

OFFICE OF EQUITY AND INCLUSION

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or call 240-567-3080

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ROADMAP FOR SUCCESS 2020-2025 EQUITY AND INCLUSION GOALS

GOALS	GOAL IDEA PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE
GOAL ONE: Improve persistence, retention, and completion/graduation/transfer of all students, particularly African-American male and Latinx students.	Student success is at the heart of our Mission. MC's data indicates that black males, graduate at the lowest rate: the 2014 and 2015 IPEDS student cohorts at Montgomery College reflected 8.1% and 8.4% graduation rates, respectively, versus 23% and 22% graduation rate for the college overall. For the fall 2018 cohort, more than half (53.4%) of the 188 of the 352 American-born Black males had a grade point average of less than 2.0: almost a quarter of the group had a grade point average of 0.0. According to the Student Success Score Card for fall 2014 by the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis, overall the Black student population, 490 students, graduated at 14.9%; 513 Latinx students graduated at 18.1%. MC's goal is to achieve seamless access, completion, and transfer for all students by removing systemic barriers and integrating classroom experiences and holistic support systems that are key to student success.
GOAL TWO: Improve employee recruitment, hiring, on-boarding, development, and training procedures and practices to attract and retain a diverse workforce, that includes leaders, managers, and faculty reflective of the diversity of the College's students.	Cultivating a culture of equity and inclusion, continuous learning, civility, and mutual respect is key to institutional success. MC's goal is create opportunities for all employees to grow professionally and to retain the intellectual capital necessary to achieve our commitment to student success.
GOAL THREE: Foster college culture of equity, inclusion, civility, accessibility, kindness, trust, and respect for human dignity through targeted programs, activities, and educational opportunities.	Building a positive, welcoming, and compassionate culture helps improve morale, increases productivity, creates a sense of belonging, and facilitates success for all. MC's goal is to create an environment free of bullying, retaliation, and negative biases that impede student success, overall morale, productivity, and community building.
GOAL FOUR: Integrate relevant and equitable multicultural teaching practices that infuse international/multicultural awareness into the educational experience, classrooms, and curriculum.	Faculty interactions with students are crucial to student success. MC's goal is to expand successful, culturally relevant teaching pedagogies to provide students with the strongest foundation of knowledge and global awareness. The purpose of this goal is to keep students engaged and prepare them for completion, transfer, and careers.
GOAL FIVE: Support diversity and inclusion in our staff, students, community, and business populations. Provide increased opportunities for the College's communities to foster equity and economic empowerment.	Education and market-relevant skills are key to individual and county economic success. MC's goal is to mobilize local and regional partnerships that effectively respond to labor market needs and to expand economic opportunity for our students and to all county residents. Building and sustaining academic, industry, and broad-based community partnerships are key to advancing educational opportunities for chronically underserved and under-engaged populations. MC's goal is to deepen connections with the broader diverse communities through organized, strategic, and culturally responsive efforts.

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