Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Training

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Across **three** different UofT Working Group Reports, there is a call for EDI training for faculty and others.

Visit the hyperlinked report names below!

01

UofT Anti-Black Racism Task Force Final Report (2021)

"Offer more training, webinars, and make anti-racism/diversity training mandatory every two years." (p. 80).

"Non-Black staff [are encouraged] to **participate more frequently** in training workshops involving the understanding of anti-Black racism across the institution. They not only require the education themselves, but it sends a **powerful message** to others." (p. 80).

02

UTSC Campus Curriculum Review (2020-2022)

"Across research institutions structurally comparable to the University of Toronto [such as Simon Fraser University]... mandatory [EDI] learning modules [are] part of the onboarding process for students and employees." (p. 144-146).

Graduate students also working as teaching assistants and/or course instructors highlighted a need for equity-related training and supports (p. 51).

Faculty recognized **a** need for EDI-related training with discipline-specific supports, such as STEM resources (p. 51).

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UofT Anti-Asian Racism Working Group Final Report (2023)

"Nearly every consultation raised the need for **increased**, if not **mandatory**, EDI education and training- more specifically, anti-Asian racism training... Those most frequently identified as needing EDI training and education were faculty, senior leaders, and managers." (p. 10).

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Training

Various departments at UofT offer EDI-related training, workshops, and events that are worth checking out.

Visit the hyperlinked departments below!

<u>UofT Anti-Racism and Cultural Diversity Office - Trainings & Workshops</u>

- EDI-related Feature Workshops:
 - o E.g. Anti-Asian Racism Training
 - o E.g. Anti-Black Racism Training
- EDI-related Training for Faculty and Staff
 - E.g. What is Harassment? Tools to Identify and Address Racial and Sexual Harassment (Part 1 and Part 2)

<u>**UofT Division of People Strategy, Equity & Culture** - EDI Education</u>

- Four categories of EDI educational workshops:
 - Anti-Racism & Cultural Diversity
 - AODA + Universal Design
 - Indigenous Initiatives
 - Sexual & Gender Diversity

<u>UofT Centre for Research & Innovation Support - Programs</u>

- Research-related EDI workshops and events
 - E.g. Ethically Sharing Qualitative Data Workshop

UTSC Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Office

 For EDI-related consultations, education, resources, and programs & events

Inclusive Teaching Practices



Within the UTSC Psychology Department, what inclusive teaching practices* are being implemented by some faculty?



Acknowledging how socio-political forces influence the field of psychology and affect our classrooms:



Implementing Universal
Design for Learning
(UDL) practices,
whether conscious of
this framework or not:

Indigenization

Discussing the importance of Indigenous knowledges and providing resources to learn more.

Sharing one's positionality

Introducing one's identities and pronouns to the class.

Acknowledging WEIRD samples

Dedicating class time to discuss the issues with predominantly White, Educated, Industrialized, Rich, and Democratic (WEIRD) samples in psychology.

Accommodating due dates

Providing all students with flexible due dates regardless of being registered with AccessAbility services or not.

Providing lecture recordings

Encouraging in-class attendance but also offering lecture recordings to all students.

Low-stakes ways to engage

Creating multiple opportunities for (anonymous) student participation (surveys, live in-class polls, etc.).

*Collected from anonymous faculty responses to an annual Inclusive Excellence reflective prompt.

This infographic was created by Stephanie Li, a work-study student under Dr. Jessica Dere's supervision.

Inclusive Teaching Practices



UofT has various resources and supports for inclusive teaching practices. Below are just a few examples!



Select the hyperlinked resources below!

Models of Inclusive Teaching & University of Toronto Professional Development Opportunities

UTSC Campus Curriculum Review

This resource highlights various UofT supports for inclusive teaching:

- Centre for Teaching Support and Innovation (CTSI)
- Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL)
- And more!

Inclusive Teaching Practices

UTSC AccessAbility Services

This resource defines **ableism** and provides guidance on the following:

- Universal Instructional Design
- Multiple Formats [of course readings]
- Closed Captioning and Described Video
- Hard of Hearing Tip Sheet
- And more!

Creating an Inclusive Course & Classroom: Strategies for Instructors

UofT Centre for Teaching Support and Innovation (CTSI)

This resource provides guidance across three domains:

- Syllabus Design & Course Information
- Course Design for Inclusive Teaching
- Inclusive Teaching

Best & Promising Practices in Teaching & Learning

UTSC Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL)

This resource provides guidance for 10 domains, including but not limited to:

- Universal Design for Learning
- Experiential Learning
- Anti-Racist Pedagogy
- And more!

Inclusive Teaching Practices



For more inclusive teaching ideas, check out the models and resources* from comparable Canadian and American universities.



Check out the hyperlinked bullet points below!



University of Ottawa

Inclusive principles for syllabi and course design:

- <u>Top 25 Most Frequently Recommended Inclusion Strategies</u>
- Inclusive Strategies Inventory (135 Strategies)



University of Manitoba

Rethinking your syllabus at 3 levels of change:

- Quick and Easy Shifts
- Medium Changes
- Deep Commitments



Tufts University

Inclusive and equitable teaching practices:

- A few tips and practices
- What are inclusive and equitable teaching practices?



University of Michigan

Inclusive practices for syllabi, course content, and classroom interactions:

- Inventory of Inclusive Teaching Strategies (54 strategies)
- Inclusive Syllabus Language
- Setting the Tone for Inclusive Classrooms

*This information was pulled from the <u>UTSC Campus Curriculum Review's Resource Hub</u>.

Please check out their page for more resources!