



STUDENTS OF COLOR CONFERENCE 2020 ADVISORS WELCOME LETTER

Dear MSSDC Member/Advisor:

Congratulations on your decision to take students to the **30th Annual Students of Color Conference** sponsored by **the Multicultural Student Services Directors Council (MSSDC.)** This year's conference, ***"Calling all Changemakers: 30 Years of Unapologetic Activism"*** will be in Yakima Convention Center, from **Thursday – Saturday, April 23th – 25th, 2020**

If you have any questions about the registration, check-in or processes, please contact Larissa Tikhonova at ltikhonova@cascadia.edu or (425)352-8143.

Questions regarding the payment please contact Diana Villafana at dianav@bigbend.edu or (509) 793-2401

Again, it is our privilege to host the 30th Annual Students of Color Conference with you and your students as our honored guests. We are very enthusiastic about your attendance and participation!

Sincerely,

2020 Students of Color Conference Planning Committee
Multicultural Student Services Directors' Council



STUDENTS OF COLOR CONFERENCE 2020 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

- STEP 1 - College Registration begins on **January 21nd** and must be submitted online by: **February 21th, 2020**
- STEP 2 – Student/Advisor Registration begins on **February 24th** and must be submitted online by: **March 27, 2020**
- STEP 3 - Submit Payment by: **March 27, 2020**
 - **Send Purchase Order or Check made payable only to: Multicultural Student Services Directors Council (MSSDC) EIN: 91-1989919**
 - Registration Fees for 2 years Community/Technical Colleges
 - \$140 per student
 - \$165 per advisor
 - Registration Fees for 4 years Universities
 - \$240 per student
 - \$265 per advisor

After February 21st there will be a \$50.00 late fee for EVERY PERSON REGISTERED!

MAIL REGISTRATION PURCHASE ORDER OR CHECK TO:

Big Bend Community College
7662 Chanute Street NE
Moses Lake, WA 98837-3299
Attn: Diana Villafana
(509) 793-2401
dianav@bigbend.edu

DEADLINE: Friday, March 27th, 2020

ON SITE CHECK-IN

To streamline the check-in process, we ask that only one advisor check-in for each college at the check-in table. In exchange for the required documents listed below, you will be provided with conference programs the hard copy will be limited per college, and name tags. To avoid delays to check-in, please distribute the conference materials to your students in an area away from the check-in table to allow others access.

- MSSDC Conduct Policies & Procedures Acknowledgement form – one signed form per student attendee
- MSSDC Photo and Film Release form – one signed form per student attendee
- MSSDC Medical Questionnaire form – one signed form per student attendee (keep with the main advisor)

PLEASE NOTE: Non-registered persons **CANNOT attend the Conference**

The MSSDC makes an extraordinary effort to keep costs reasonable for this conference. Costs for meals, are based on the number of participants registered. Therefore, no refunds will be issued. Substitutions (student/advisor names) may be changed no later than **April 14th, 2020**



STUDENTS OF COLOR CONFERENCE 2020 CONTRACTED HOTEL LIST

The MSSDC has negotiated contracts with the following seven hotels. These hotels are offering reduced rates for colleges if made within the appropriate period. We ask that you make every effort to reserve your rooms through these hotels; the number of contracted rooms has been increased over last year's block. Please identify yourself as part of the Washington State Multicultural Student Services (Student of Color) Conference and wait to make your institution's reservations until **January 21st, 2020**.

Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel

9 North 9th Street
Yakima, WA 98901
Ph: 509-574-0884
Rate is **\$ 89.00** per standard room + taxes per night

Baymont Inn & Suites by Wyndham

1603 E Yakima, Avenue
Yakima, WA 98901
509-457-4444
Rates is **\$99.00** two queen beds + taxes per night

Red Lion Hotel Yakima Center

607 E. Yakima Avenue
Yakima, WA 98901
Ph: 1-800-733-5466
Rate is **\$106. 00** single-quad occupancy + taxes per night

Red Roof

1001 East A Street
Yakima, WA 98901
Ph: 509-249-1000
Rate is **\$130.00** standard room + taxes per night

Fairfield Inn

137 N Fair Avenue
Yakima, WA 98901
Ph: 509 -452-3100
Fax: 509- 452-3200
Rate is **\$136.00** standard room + taxes per night

Oxford Suites

1701 E Yakima Avenue
Yakima, WA 98901
509-457-9000
Rates is **\$139.00** single king, **\$141.00** double queen + taxes per night

Holiday Inn

802 East Yakima Avenue
Yakima, WA 98901
Reservation Ph: 509-454-1405
Front Desk Ph: 509-494-7000
Rate is **\$145.00** base room, **\$163.24** single to quad occupancy + taxes per night

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Inform the hotel that you are making a **block reservation for the Washington State Students of Color Conference**. You will need to provide to the hotel:

- Name of your college & address
- Your name and number of rooms
- Method of payment (College credit card Visa/MC, strongly encourage not to use your personal credit card)

** Current tax rate is 11.2% + a \$2.00 Tourism Promotion Assessment Fee per room per night.*

STEP 2: Provide a school credit card to hold the rooms

STEP 3: Submit the names of the students/advisors to the hotel after **March 27th** no later than **April 14th**.



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AGENDA AT A GLANCE (TENTATIVE)

April 23th – 25th, 2020

Convention Center at Yakima

Calling all Changemakers: 30 Years of Unapologetic Activism "

Thursday, April 23th

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Conference Check in
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Welcome & Conference Opening Yakima Blessing Rhonda Coats Award Emerging Leader Award Conference Expectation Roll Call
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Keynote Speaker
4:15 pm – 5:15 pm	Advisor/Chaperone Meeting Identity Development Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Identity • Men's Identity • QTPOC • Muslim • Students with Disabilities • DREAMers/Undocumented Students
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Buffet Dinner w/ Musical Performance
7:15pm - 9:15 pm	Concurrent Session 1 – Racial/Ethnic/Cultural Identity Groups
9:30 am – 10:00 pm	Individual School Meetings
10:15 pm – 12:00 am	Open Mic

Friday, April 24th, 2020

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Full Breakfast/Announcements
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Session 2 – Awareness of Others
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Transition Time
10:45 am – 11:45 am	Morning Keynote Speaker
11:45-12:00 pm	Transition time
12:00 pm-1:30 pm	Session 3 – Skill Development
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Buffet Lunch
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Session 4 – Social Justice/Social Activism
4:00 pm – 4:15 pm	Transition time
4:15 pm – 4:45 pm	Individual School Meetings
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm	College Fair
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Buffet Dinner/ Keynote Speaker
8:30 pm– 8:45 pm	Transition Time
8:45pm – 10:30 pm	Documentary
10:00 – 1:00 am	Social Events

Saturday, April 25th, 2020

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Full Breakfast/Announcements
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Session 5 – Personal Development
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Transition Time
10:45 am - 12: 00 pm	Closing Activities
