OPAL NEWS

Cultural Awareness

Inaccurate Perceptions Promoted by Western Media

Mama Hope is a non-profit organization focused on building self-sufficient communities in Sub-Saharan Africa. This video gives a snapshot of how media has misrepresented different African ethnic groups as violent and establishes a 'reality check' with the stories of four young professionals.
Clip: http://www.youtube.com/user/MamaHope
Website: http://www.mamahope.org/

Redefining Masculinity

A Call to Men is a social activist group of men who are committed to ending violence of all forms against women. At TEDWomen, Tony Porter makes a call to men everywhere: Don't "act like a man." Telling powerful stories from his own life, he shows how this mentality, drummed into so many men and boys, can lead men to disrespect, mistreat and abuse women and each other. He proposes the solution of breaking free of the "man box."
Clip: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=td1PbsV6B80
Website: http://www.acalltomen.com/index.php

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Community Blogs

- **Pan Asian Community**
  http://panasiancommunity.com/
- **First Generation Network**
  http://dartmouthfirstgen.com/
- **International Student Program**
  http://dartmouthisp.blogspot.com/
- **Native American Program**
  http://dartmouthnap.blogspot.com/
- **Center for Women & Gender**
  http://dartmouthcwg.com/
- **Latina/o Community**
  http://latinosatdartmouth.wordpress.com/
- **GSX & OBSA Blogs Coming Soon…**

Upcoming Programs

Special Highlights

Facebook for Educators

Facebook plays a big role in the lives of students today. Due to some of the difficulties that come along with being an educator, this article seeks to guide educators on how to turn social media into opportunities for both students and educators. In particular, we want to highlight section 6, which discusses how social/digital media affects the learning styles of students in the 21st century. The pdf can be found below:
[.pdf]: http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=2&ved=0CDYQFjAB&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fsafety%2Fattachment%2FFacebook%2520for%2520Educators.pdf&ei=kV6hT6-dK8KM6QG_j5n3CA&usg=AFQjCNGGer3pGw413Fsl5kTC9Zatn9vKMw&sig2=XcHSo5i_pTnzfc128w0XRg

Academic Skills Center

It's not too late to get help!!!
Benefit from any number of these services.
Time Management • Reading Skills • Effective Study Strategies • Stress Management • Better Sleep Habits • Pre-Major Advising • Tutors
→Make an appointment with Carl Thum, Ph.D. today!
→ Also visit the website for further handouts and helpful tips.
http://www.dartmouth.edu/~acskills/

OBSA

Fri. 5/04

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Roll Bounce: AAm Skate Night
→ Great Valley Roller Skating Rink

The Afro-American Society will be sponsoring a trip to the skating rink this Friday. The cost to go will be $4.00 payable by Dash or Cash. RSVP with your Dash ID number to Afro-American.Society@dartmouth.edu if you would like to attend.

ISP

Wed. 5/02

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
International Students Dinner
→ Paul Suite in Baker Library
A dinner co-hosted by ISP-OPAL and the Undergraduate Deans office will be held to engage a group of international undergraduates in a conversation about issues and challenges faced by our students from around the globe. Students from four continents, many different backgrounds, and from all four classes will be attending. A good discussion is sure to follow.

CWG

Mon. 5/07

6:30 p.m. **Link Up: Proud to be a Woman Dinner**
→ Alumni Hall
This dinner is done to celebrate the Women of Dartmouth. *The Keynote speakers will be Kendall Hoyt [Professor of Engineering] & Mayuka Kowaguchi '11.*
****Classy dress requested****
Link.Up@dartmouth.edu

• "I left the event feeling strong, happy to be a woman at Dartmouth, and proud of my amazing peers. The women at Dartmouth are passionate and inspiring, and Link Up gives us the chance to see this." – D '13

Tues. 5/15

6:30 p.m. **When Women Tell War Stories**
→ Collis Common Ground
Helen Benedict provides the keynote address surrounding the above stated theme. She will be reading from her latest work of fiction, Sand Queen, available for purchase at the Dartmouth Bookstore.
Rsvp: http://www.pingg.com/kbyf52mb2npxptxmh

NAP

Mondays

5:45 p.m. **Reader to Reader: Native College Access Video Mentorship Program**
→ Collis 101
• A cohort of 14 Native American students at Dartmouth College has learned basic filmmaking skills from screenwriting to post-production editing. The short videos the Dartmouth students are creating are set on-campus and use skits to deliver pertinent "Native specific" college access information, but they also just illustrate general "college life activities". The content for the videos is dictated by the questions of real students attending St. Michaels Indian School on the Navajo Nation.
E-mail Joselyn.E.McDonald@Dartmouth.edu for more information.