

## Fall 2021 Multicultural Leadership Institute 12 – Week Certificate program Apply [Here](#)

The Multicultural Leadership Institute (MLI) offers UNO students a free diversity-training institute (2 hrs for 12 weeks). The workshop will provide service-learning opportunities.

During this institute, we want people from a wide variety of diverse backgrounds and experiences to spend time together, to understand, appreciate, and value each other, and in turn, go out and do that in the world around them. In addition, we are looking at how to be multicultural leaders in challenging times and wrestling with how to pursue justice, healing, and reconciliation in a world too often divided. The MLI program explores topics related to culture, social justice and reconciliation. We do not want to stop at justice but want to think about how to build strong, diverse, yet interconnected and supportive individuals and communities. We will primarily use The Racial Healing Handbook by Dr. Anneliese Singh with other intersectional materials.

### Benefits of Joining MLI

- Learn more about your own culture, strengthen your communication skills, and enhance your knowledge about other cultures.
- Learn multicultural and diversity concepts and issues.
- Examine self and others in the context of larger social systems.
- Develop communication tools and facilitation strategies to interact effectively with people from diverse cultures, ideas, and social groups.
- Identify and plan actions that contribute toward more inclusive and just communities.
- Supplement and enhance your resume, in any major, in any field, showing prospective graduate schools and employers that you have made a serious commitment to understanding equity-related issues.
- Become a member of a professional network of Multicultural Leaders.
- Network to build alliances with UNO faculty, staff, administrators and student leaders.
- Earn a co-curricular certificate.
- Meet other UNO students and get more connected to the university community.

### What will I Do?

Participants will complete the following within the 12 weeks:

- Workshops: Participate in the core interactive workshops (2 hours each)
- Multicultural Programming: Attend 2 Diversity Engagement Center programs or events.
- Engage in self-reflection: Journal prompts will be given after each workshop, asking you to further reflect upon what you have learned about each theme and to further explore questions, observations and learning outcomes from the program experience.
- Create an advocacy message and final project that synthesizes your learning from the institute
- Engage in service through a culminating workshop presentation
- Recognition Ceremony