First-Generation Low-Income at Yale

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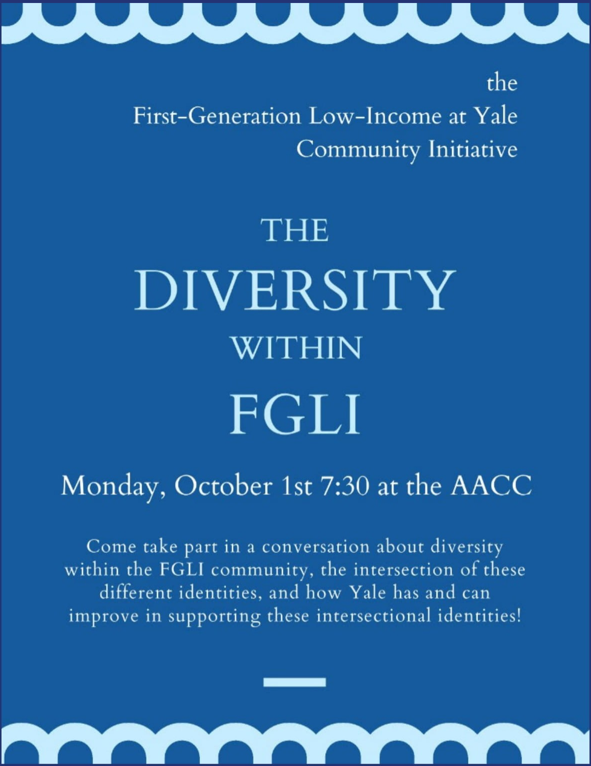
The Diversity Within FGLI

Hi everyone! As always, we want to start off by thanking everyone who attended our third discussion last Monday! We had a great discussion on how being FGLI at Yale has shaped our experience here and about the best tips/practices to finesse the system. The FGLI Team is continuously grateful for your input and engagement that you have already shared. We'll continue thinking about what it means to form community as we share our voices and stories throughout the semester.

We hope to see you at our next Community Time tonight where we'll transition to talking about the diversity within our FGLI. We'll be discussing the challenges of being a woman, a person of color, LGBTQ, or from an immigrant background - ALL while being an FGLI student at Yale. We'll have snacks and good company, so we hope you can join us at the **Asian American Cultural Cente**r from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm! RSVP via our Facebook event HERE.



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Monday, October 1st 7:30 at the AACC

Come take part in a conversation about diversity within the FGLI community, the intersection of these different identities, and how Yale has and can improve in supporting these intersectional identities!

Student Ambassador Office Hours

Do you need help picking a club to join, homework help, or just want to spill tea? Our student ambassadors will be holding office hours throughout the week at various locations around campus, prepared with snacks and drinks. Visit/Contact Us!

Maddy O'Neal - Sundays from 2-4PM @ Stiles Buttery
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Samantha Wood - Tuesdays from 7:30-9:30PM @ Blue State on York
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Markus Reneau - Thursdays from 1-3PM @ Bass Café
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Diana López - Fridays from 9-11AM @ JoJo's Coffee
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Fatima Chughtai - Tuesdays from 9PM-11PM @ Donut Crazy
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the First-Generation Low-Income at Yale website

We are happy to announce the launch of the FGLI Yale College website! Go to fgli.yalecollege.yale.edu to access key resources for FGLI students of all ages.

Some of the resources include:

- A **financial guide** with advice on understanding your aid, approaching student jobs, and saving money
- **Services** planned for the future (e.g. Community Dinners during break, Career Closet, etc.)
- **Centralized career & academic-related resources** - including diversity-seeking opportunities made with FGLI students in mind

- Information on **planned programming** (discussion and workshop series) and **student groups** for students seeking to get involved

Visit the Website

Student Shoutout!

We're kicking off October with a shout out to one of our newer members of the FGLI community Kimberly Wenceslao (BK '22)! Kimberly is a prospective Political Science/ER&M double major whose ultimate goal is to attend law school to immerse herself in refugee/immigrant/human rights law. As a first generation daughter of immigrants from Jalisco, Mexico, her Mexican heritage is extremely important to her, and as a result, she is now involved with MEChA, Ballet Folklórico, and Unidad Latina en Acción.

When asked about being FGLI, she says, "Sometimes when I'm walking around Old Campus, surrounded by the grandiosity of the Gothic architecture and towering New England trees, I can't help but feel overwhelmed with a rushing sense of guilt. Both of my parents are undocumented, and as a result, have only been able to experience Sterling Memorial Library through grainy pictures on google maps from my computer at home...."

Read more about her and what being FGLI means to her by visiting the student blog! We see you Kim, and we can't to see all that you do here!

Visit the Student Blog

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for the following events occurring within the next few weeks!

Monday, Oct 1: FGLI Discussion: The Diversity within FGLI (7:30pm - 8:30pm) - Asian American Cultural Center (295 Crown St.)

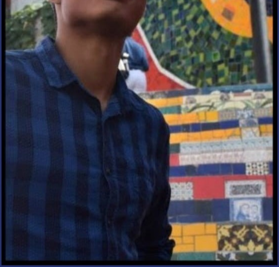
Thursday, Oct. 4: FGLI Workshop: Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations (6:00 - 7:00pm) - CTL (301 York St), Room M104A (on the second floor)

Thursday, Oct. 4: Jubilee! New Student Welcome - Afro-American Cultural Center (211 Park St.)

Sunday, Oct. 7: The 2018 Yale University Powwow (ANAAY Powwow) - Coxe Cage (Yale Indoor Track)

Opportunities

Interested in helping low-income, high-achieving high school students get into the nation's best colleges? Interested in educational justice and college access? If so, **apply to be an Advising Fellow with Matriculate**! Fill out an interest form to receive further details about how to apply. Reach out to e.richards@yale.edu with questions. Learn more about Matriculate here.



The **Association of Native Americans at Yale** is looking for volunteers to help out with their annual Powwow, coming up this Sunday, October 7th! Volunteer shifts are offered from 9:00 AM to 7:30 PM, and volunteers are expected to attend a meeting this Wednesday, Oct. 3rd at 8:30 PM. Contact alanna.pyke@yale.edu with more information or if you cannot attend the meeting but still want to volunteer. If you are interested, fill out this volunteer form by Wednesday.

> "Dominator culture has tried to keep us all afraid, to make us choose safety instead of risk, sameness instead of diversity. Moving through that fear, finding out what connect us, reveling in our differences; this is the process that brings us closer, that gives us a world of shared values, of meaningful community."
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> - bell hooks

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