



The Center for
Multicultural
Affairs

THE ENLIGHTENMENT
Special Edition

Director's Corner



Greetings! My name is Jellema Stewart, I use the pronouns she/her, and I'm the Director for the Center of Multicultural Affairs (CMA). The CMA team is excited to welcome you to campus for the beginning of the 2016-17 academic year. Fall can mean a new home, new classes, new leadership roles or a fresh start. We are ready to enjoy the adventure with you.

As you prepare for classes and settle in, we want to make sure you are aware of all that the CMA has to offer to ensure your Fredonia experience is a success! This newsletter, "Enlightenment," will be published on a monthly basis to keep you abreast of programs, forums, workshops, leadership opportunities, and spotlight the six student groups that make up the CMA family. We hope that the "Enlightenment" provides you with pertinent information and you will use it as another way to find out what we're all about.

The CMA stands as a testament of Fredonia's commitment to diversity and appreciation of differences in its student, faculty, and staff populations. I encourage you to explore the many resources and multicultural programs that are in place to ultimately help you achieve your highest potential, both within and outside of the classroom. Stop by and see us. We look forward to working with you this year! Go Blue Devils!!!



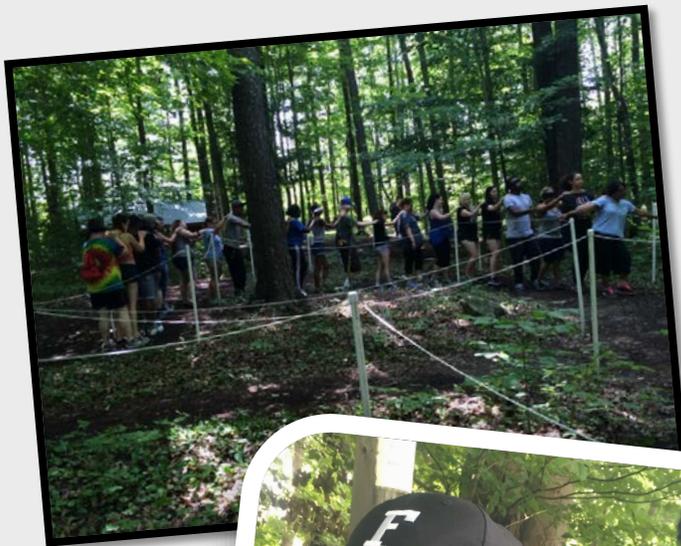


With sponsorship & support from the CMA, Isabella X was able to attend The Pink Door (PD) Women's Writing Retreat. PD is exclusively for writers of color. It serves to promote community and dialogue for writers currently excluded from the dominant cultural narrative; it actively seeks to bring Black women, women of color, trans women, femmes and gender non-conforming writers / activists / scholars / rebels and regional voices into exchange & engagement with each other.



For more information, please visit

<http://thepinkdoorwomenswritingretreat.tumblr.com/>



Here we are at our thought provoking Fall Leadership Retreat!





Some of our awesome groups at Activities Night!



If you did not get the chance to sign up for a group at Activities Night, please stop by our office and we'll get you in touch with the right people!

Meet our new Graduate Assistant!

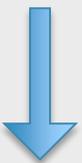
Lee Coletti graduated from Fredonia in 2013 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, with concentrations in Music Industry and Marketing, as well as a minor in Leadership Studies.

During her undergraduate career, Lee built a forever family with the CMA, at which time she was the MAAB rep for Pride Alliance and Women's Student Union, as well as the Vice President of Pride Alliance. Lee was also an intern, at which time she created the diversity based discussion series, "Lunch with Lee". She returned to Fredonia with this series in Fall 2015 as an alumna speaker.

She is currently enrolled in the Master of Science program of Higher Education and Student Affairs (HESAA) at Buffalo State College, with a specific interest in multiculturalism and advocating for minority students.



Want to get involved in preventative action of interpersonal violence? Check out Fredonia's Green Dot strategy! Contact the Counseling Center for more information!



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