



YOUR PLACE



TO BE



YOU



NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

You BELONG

Message from Associate Provost of Diversity and Inclusion

College is a perfect opportunity to develop a diverse and inclusive mind. Challenge yourself to learn not only about yourself but someone from a different culture, identity or experience than your own. The end result will help you as you navigate living in a diverse global society.



Dr. Justin Mallett

DISCOVERY AND EXCHANGE OF IDEAS IS CENTRAL TO YOUR EXPERIENCE AT NORTHWEST.



I JOINED HERO MY FRESHMAN YEAR BECAUSE I WANTED TO BE PART OF A COMMUNITY WHERE I KNEW ANYONE WOULD BE WELCOMED REGARDLESS OF THEIR IDENTITY. HERO has become a place of comfort where I can interact with my friends and new members and we can support one another. This organization has been great for learning about my own personal identity as well as the LGBTQ+ organization as a whole.

— Amy McMullen



FRESHMEN PERSIST
AT **96%** WHEN
INVOLVED IN ONE
OR MORE STUDENT
ORGANIZATIONS.

ORGANIZATIONS

Get involved. If you do not identify as one of the members in these organizations, join anyway, show your support and be part of the community.

- Black Student Union
- Helping Everyone Regardless of Orientation (H.E.R.O.)
- International Student Organization
- Minority Men's Organization
- National Pan-Hellenic fraternities and sororities
- Spiritually Involved Sisters Together Achieving Harmony (S.I.S.T.A.H.)
- First Lady Organization
- ALIANZA (Latinx student organization)
- African Student Organization

For more information about student organizations, visit

[HTTPS://NWMISSOURI.PRESENCE.IO/ORGANIZATIONS.](https://nwmissouri.presence.io/organizations)



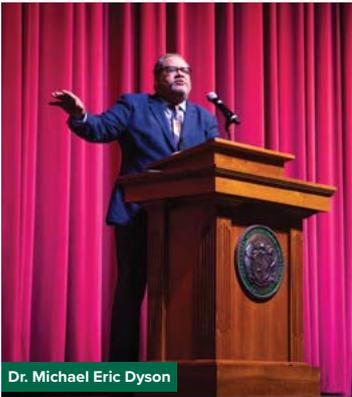
BEARCAT CULTURE

- Hispanic Heritage Month
- LGBTQ+ History Month
- Native American History Month
- MLK Day of Learning
- Black History Month
- Women's History Month
- Lavender Graduation
- Celebration of Success
- Bearcat Diversity Book Club
- Diversity Leadership Summit



PAST GUEST SPEAKERS AND PERFORMERS

- Dr. Michael Eric Dyson, professor at Georgetown, author and political commentator
- Dr. Eric Thomas, motivational speaker, author and minister
- Tarana Burke, founder of #MeToo movement
- Sheyann Webb-Christburg, marched with Martin Luther King Jr. as a child
- Dylan Marron, YouTube personality
- Step Afrika!, an African-American dance company



Dr. Michael Eric Dyson



Eric Thomas



Sheyann Webb-Christburg



Dylan Marron



Tarana Burke



Step Afrika!

For a list of upcoming guest speakers and events, visit NWMISSOURI.EDU/DIVERSITY.



FOCUSED ON YOUR SUCCESS

Northwest focuses on student success - every student, every day, and that means you! Below are a few services offered to help you graduate Career Ready, Day One.

- The Office of Diversity and Inclusion is working through the inclusive excellence plan in educating students, faculty and staff and community.
- Academic advising is personalized advising that ensures your major and career goals are aligned and supported.
- Tutoring is offered individually and in small groups.
- Supplemental instruction offers peer-led study groups for traditionally challenging courses.
- The Writing Center helps students improve their writing skills.
- TRIO offers academic tutoring, cultural enrichment, financial assistance counseling, instructional assistance and student mentoring for students who identify as first-gen, low socioeconomic visible and invisible disabilities.

For more information about programs in place to aid in your success, visit

[NWMISSOURI.EDU/STUDENTSUCCESS.](https://nwmissouri.edu/studentsuccess)

Multiple educational opportunities are offered during each semester to students, faculty, staff and the Maryville community to discuss current issues and how to advocate and support individuals.

- Safe Zone training
- Bias training/awareness
- Social Justice training
- Gender Equity
- Diversity Awareness



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To learn more about training opportunities, visit [NWMISSOURI.EDU/DIVERSITY.](https://nwmissouri.edu/diversity)



“NORTHWEST HAS HAD A MIND-CHANGING IMPACT ON ME. IT IS A PLACE FOR GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT.

From being part of the Northwest Alumni Association Board and Residential Life to starting my own organization (Northwest Financial Markets Organization), the University gives you everything you need to succeed in life.”

— Zerryn Gines



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