

Bias Assessment and Response Team

Student Representatives

What is a bias/hate related incident?

Bias Incidents: Acts or behavior motivated by the offender's bias against a race, religion, disability, veteran status, ethnic/national origin groups or sexual-orientation group. While these acts do not necessarily rise to the level of a crime, a violation of state law, University policy, or the student code of conduct; a bias act may contribute to creating an unsafe, negative, or unwelcome environment for the victim, anyone who shares the same social identity as the victim, and/or community members of the University.

Hate / bias crimes: A criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias against a race, religion, disability, ethnic/national origin groups or sexual orientation group. (per U.S. Department of Justice Hate Crimes Data Collection Guidelines)

Student Representatives' Expressions

As BART Student Representatives, we serve as liaisons to our peers. We lead discussions pertaining to issues that are directly related to bias incidents and that have a potential to affect campus climate. During an interview, these were the perspectives which we shared on diversity, multiculturalism, social justice leadership, and the need for intergroup/ cross cultural communication.

We should work collectively, because a diverse community is like a piano. There are many different musical notes, and the most beautiful compositions are those which incorporate an array of musical notes- all working together to produce a sound that no one note could produce on its own- Representative Robinson

Multiculturalism is more than race, but it is the inclusion of sexual orientation/gender identity, race/ethnicity, cultural identification and self-identification. Each person is a unique individual. Therefore, s/he is entitled to respect and just treatment by all- Representative Williams

We are a jigsaw puzzle of gender, race, and social differences. Immigration and Emigrations have changed the average social life in every nation. With differences come many issues which are propelled by ignorance. I am proud to be part of a group that addresses the social responsibility of supporting multiculturalism- Representative Wong

I understand students who have disabilities and those with ethnic backgrounds. I have a diverse perspective, and my passion involves a dedication to people and diversity- Representative Po

Multiculturalism means that you listen and genuinely try to understand every side of things. – Representative Edwards

As a dance student, I'm able to explore many facets of diversity. I have learned to build relationships with different types of people and to embrace their uniqueness- Representative Harrison

As a BART SR, I can experience self-growth. I believe that all ways of life have a common ground. We should appreciate our differences- Representative Leadbeater

Despite my conservative, homogeneous upbringing, I sincerely contribute to the conversations on multiculturalism. I joined the SR group in order to lead discussions that foster understanding and community - Representative Elwell

Multiculturalism is not just a practice, but a way of life. It is more than just incorporating people under one umbrella; it is gaining a wider lens of experiences and ideas. With diverse cultures come diverse ideas. Multiculturalism is bringing all of that together so that we may share knowledge- Representative Whipkey

Fostering diversity and social justice is more than seeking a personal agenda; it's about supporting equality for everyone.- BART SR Group

To learn more, please visit BART website at:
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