+DialogUe: Integrating Dialogue in your Event

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

We seek to create and support programs where active and intentional intergroup interaction (i.e. meaningful discussion) are a structured part of the event process. Through +DialogUe, we offer planners of DEI-related on-campus events the opportunity to work with trained facilitators who engage participants in deeper learning through personal sharing.

We can...

- Work with organizers to determine whether and how to integrate dialogue into their event
- Provide facilitators for events which explicitly engage identities, issues, and/or incidents related to diversity, inclusion, and equity. (Facilitators help participants actively engage in dialogue around these topics, but do not act as subject matter experts, conflict mediators, or question and answer moderators.)
- (Potentially) provide other logistical support, including funding, publicity, etc.

Events typically involve a prompt (film screening, presentation, speaker, panel, etc.), followed by audience engagement (full room, small group, table, etc.) with a few questions connecting what was shown/shared to participants’ own experiences. The dialogue itself experience should generally last 30-60 minutes in addition to the prompt activities.

Examples of past events include...
- post-film discussion after BGSA’s screening of the documentary 13th and after GSA’s screening of Dark Girls
- table discussion during HRE’s We’re a Culture, Not a Costume professional development events

Note: our involvement is dependent on topic relevance and schedule availability. Requesting our participation does not guarantee our availability. Unless otherwise agreed, DU DialogUes is not an official cosponsor, and event organizers remain responsible for all logistical arrangements: space, AV, set-up/break-down, refreshments, publicity, materials, etc.

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In order for our facilitators to successfully engage event participants in dialogue, we will need the following information:

- **main topic or focus:** for overall event AND dialogue segment
- **schedule:** date and time of event; outline and timing of event activities
- **WHY you hope to integrate dialogue into the event:** a brief description of what you hope participants will gain from dialoguing in the context of your event; what you hope dialogue will add – please be specific
- **HOW you plan to integrate dialogue into the event:** length of time specifically for dialogue; placement within larger program – e.g. at the beginning, end, middle, etc.; seating arrangement; special considerations
- **some initial discussion questions** you’d like to engage participants around: our facilitators are not subject matter experts; they are trained in guiding conversations towards personal engagement and a shared learning experience.

We will work with you regarding the details above in order to determine whether/how dialogue fits best and to prepare materials for facilitators!

To provide adequate time for preparations, please contact us at least three weeks before your intended event.

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