mission statement

The Cross-Cultural Center advocates for and supports UC San Diego’s efforts to become a more equity minded and inclusive campus. We provide the opportunity for historically underrepresented and underserved UC San Diego students and staff to learn about themselves, learn about others, develop as leaders, and to impact communities for social change.

our philosophy

The CCC’s work and programs are centered around our P.L.A.C.E.S. philosophy. P.L.A.C.E.S. stands for Promoting respectful dialogues, Leadership, Affirmation, Community, Empowerment, and Social Justice lens. We envision a society in which individuals are both self-determining (able to develop their full capacities), and interdependent (capable of interacting democratically with others).

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**internship program**

The Internship program provides students with the opportunity to develop as a student leader, social justice educator, and learn more about themselves. CCC Interns develop programs, provide services, and plan events for and about members of historically under-represented groups. They play a critical role in the development and operation of the CCC. Interns learn job-related skills and the importance of teamwork, communication, and personality/working styles.

**social justice education**

The Cross-Cultural Center provides social justice education for the UC San Diego Community (students, staff, and faculty) as well as local K-12 and other community organizations. Social Justice Educators (SJE) are student interns that help facilitate trainings, dialogues, and workshops. SJE and Cross-Cultural Center professional staff assist groups and organizations with facilitated dialogues on a variety of topics including, but not limited to, social justice, diversity, communication, teamwork and leadership development.

**outreach and engagement**

The CCC engages with campus and community-based groups throughout the year composed mostly of students of differing levels: elementary, middle and high school youth, as well as campus undergraduate students, graduate students, and para-professional staff. Our goal is to connect the UC San Diego and local community to the CCC’s resources and provide them with social justice trainings.

**signature programs**

- Art Galleries, Receptions, and Programs
- Affiliate Student Organizations Program
- Alumni Table Talks & Mentoring
- Social Justice Leadership Academy
- Equity Talks for Staff by Staff
- Student Intern Initiated Projects
- Leadership for Engagement Advocacy Program
- Faculty in Residence Program

**resources**

- Conference and study rooms
- Weekly Newsletter with events, job opportunities, and more
- Library to study, rest, check out books, or hang out
- Kitchenette with utensils, kitchen appliances, condiments, and snacks when available
- Small computer lab space with desktop computers