# **Building Inclusive and Safe Classrooms in Light of the Recent Election**

#### Tuesday, December 13, 2016 | 12:00 - 2:00 pm | Hershey Hall, Room 158

### Agenda

12:00-12:10p Please register, take folder with handouts, pick up boxed lunch, and find a seat

12:10-12:20p Opening Remarks

Victoria Sork, Dean of the Division of Life Sciences

Miguel García-Garibay, Dean of the Division of Physical Sciences

Albert Courey, Associate Dean of Physical Sciences for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion *Tracy Johnson*, Associate Dean of Life Sciences for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

12:20 - 1:00p Part I: Teaching Resources and Tools for Dialog

Anna Yeakley, Director of the Intergroup Relations Program, Bruin Resource Center

Erin Sanders, CEILS Director

Shanna Shaked, CEILS Senior Associate Director for Physical Sciences Initiatives Rachel Kennison, CEILS Associate Director and CIRTL Coordinator Jessica Gregg, CEILS Assistant Director for Best Practice Educational Development

1:00 - 1:10p Q&A

#### 1:10 - 1:50p Part II: Panel Discussion About the Impact of the Election on Student Climate

*Michael Alfaro*, EEB Professor and Chair of the Diversity Initiative Steering Committee and Diversity Requirement ad hoc Committee,

Paul Barber, EEB Professor and Director of PEERS

Kevin Dougherty, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life *Jonathan Feingold*, Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor, BruinX

Aliza Luft, Assistant Professor in Sociology

Jeffrey Maloy, PhD Candidate, TA Consultant for MIMG

Kylie Rostad, UCLA Undergraduate Learning Assistant, Life Science Major

Jonli Tunstall, Director of the Vice Provost Initiative for Pre-College Scholars VIPS, Office of Academic Advancement Programs

## **Questions for Panelists:**

What are you hearing from students in relation to the election? Please provide perspective based on your role as faculty, staff, or student.

What would you recommend to instructors, TAs, and academic staff who need to be able to *immediately diffuse* a tense situation in the classroom or other settings?

What proactive steps and measures might we take to *prevent* conflict and potentially contentious debate in the classroom?

In the sciences, how can we *cultivate* a classroom culture of inclusive dialogue that creates a safe space for constructive discussion and allows for diverse viewpoints?

1:50-2:00p Q&A

