



The **Intercultural Center** Newsletter

The Intercultural Center newsletter includes insights, events, and initiatives that promote intercultural education at the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

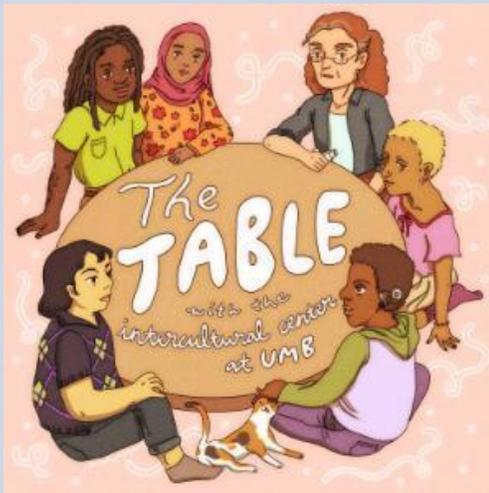
Our newsletter is released every first Wednesday of the month.

The Table Podcast

But Did My Parents 'Make It': Reflections on Becoming Upwardly Mobile from a Daughter of Working-Class Immigrants

Upward mobility is considered a cornerstone of the American Dream, but what about the personal, communal, and cultural sacrifices made to achieve this dream? What about the guilt and dissonance that some first-generation college graduates express from transitioning into a social class different from their family and community members?

In this episode **Rosemary Ferrelra, M.Ed.** reflects on her experiences with upward mobility as she transitions from growing up in a



working-class household to being the first in her family to graduate college to becoming a higher education professional. She interviews her mother, **Maria Ferreira**, to unpack her mixed emotions about her upward mobility and to hear about her mother's experience as a working-class immigrant.

Check out this episode and previous episodes on [our webpage!](#)

Upcoming Intercultural Center Events



Intercultural Center Welcome
September 1 | 4-5:30 PM |
[Register Here](#)

The Intercultural Center Welcome is an opportunity for historically marginalized and excluded students to come together and meet the Intercultural Center staff, hear about upcoming social and educational opportunities at the University, and, most importantly, build bonds with



A Critical History of Baltimore City
September 8 | 1-2:30 PM |
[Register Here](#)

New to Baltimore? Interested in learning about the city's past and present? In this session, we'll discuss the city's history with racial segregation, its impact on present-day social issues, and the cultural significance of the city to paint a holistic picture of Baltimore.

other incoming and returning students.

American Sign Language Course



The Intercultural Center is interested in offering an American Sign Language course in the upcoming fall semester. The course is open to all students, staff, and faculty at UMB.

If you are interested in taking the ASL course, [please fill out this form](#). Thank you!

Global Perspectives Conversation Program



Facilitators and Participants Wanted for the Global Perspectives Conversation Program

The Office of International Services and the Writing Center are pleased to announce that the

Global Perspectives Conversation Program is looking for both facilitators and participants.

The program offers student and scholar participants a virtual one-hour, facilitated weekly conversation to explore common interests; discuss concerns about U.S. academic and social life; and identify and deliberate matters of cultural, social, and political importance ([see more program details](#))

Facilitator application deadline by **September 10, 2021** – [apply online](#)
Participant application deadline by **October 7, 2021** – [apply online](#)

UMB Food Pantry



The UMB Food Pantry is distributing 30-pound boxes of shelf stable food on **Wednesdays**. The boxes will be available for pick up from the **SMC Campus Center lobby**.

Please contact Jole' Ruff at jruff@umaryland.edu to setup a pick up time.

Learn more about food access initiatives and resources on [our webpage](#).

Visit Our Virtual Office Hours



Courtney Jones Carney (she/her)
Director of the Intercultural
Center

Meet with Courtney (Zoom Link)
Mondays, 10 - 11:30 am
Wednesdays, 12 - 1 pm



Rosemary Ferreira (she/her)
Associate Director of the
Intercultural Center

Meet with Rosemary (Zoom Link)
Tuesdays, 3 - 4:30 pm
Thursdays, 9 - 10 am
Fridays, 1 - 2 pm

Submit Events & Announcements to the Intercultural Center Newsletter

[Submission Form](#)

Submit your events or announcements related to diversity, equity, and inclusion. The form must be submitted **before the last Wednesday of the month** to be included in the following month's newsletter.



Founded in June of 2020, the Intercultural Center is diligently working toward the continuation of existing Student Affairs initiatives and the creation of new initiatives.

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