



NMSU Tolerance and Diversity Resources

New Mexico State University is a university that strives to diversify its student, faculty, and staff population. We have offices that are dedicated to racial, ethnic, and gender diversity.

Black Programs

<http://www.nmsu.edu/~blackpro>

Chicano Programs

<http://www.nmsu.edu/~chicano>

American Indian Programs

<http://www.nmsu.edu/~aip>

Sexual and Gender Diversity Resource Center

<http://www.nmsu.edu/~sgdrc>

These programs show NMSU's continued dedication to diversity and creating a common culture of acceptance.

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Tolerance and Diversity



What is tolerance and why should I care?

Tolerance can be defined simply as having an open mind toward others culture or identity no matter what religion, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, gender, or age.

In UNESCO's Declaration on the Principles of Tolerance it is defined as:

"Tolerance is respect, acceptance and appreciation of the rich diversity of our world's cultures, our forms of expression and ways of being human. Tolerance is harmony in difference."

Tolerance concerns everyone because it creates a common culture of respect for all people. It provides every person an equal footing in day to day encounters.



What tolerance is not.

Tolerance is not total agreement with another person's beliefs. It is the willingness to accept and respect another's view point. A person does not have to accept this belief as his or her own, but has to respect the other person's right to have such a belief.

To exercise tolerance a person doesn't have to agree, or come to common ground. An "agree to disagree" stance can also be tolerant of another's beliefs.

EVERY YEAR

more than half a million college students are targets of bias-driven slurs or physical assaults.

EVERY DAY

at least one hate crime occurs on a college campus.

EVERY MINUTE

a college student somewhere sees or hears racist, sexist, homophobic or otherwise biased words or image

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In diverse communities, like those at NMSU and in the United States, tolerance is needed and expected in the everyday relations and occurrences. Tolerance is an important principle in a culture that is as diverse as that of NMSU. Without tolerance, the University, and greater community would fall apart into separate groups that are all consumed in bigotry and prejudice and nothing would get done and the entire community would suffer.

