



Brown Bag Seminars Fall 2008

YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag Seminars are located in the NDSU Memorial Union and run during the academic year. Presentations are FREE. For more information, call 701-231-5225.

Wednesday, September 17

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Elections and Electrons: Freedom of the “Press” Meets the Voting Booth

Dr. Eric Raile, Assistant Professor of Political Science

Is this what the Founders meant by a free press? We take a look at the various media available for political messages in the Information Age and consider the implications for vote choice and for democracy more generally.

Constitution Day

Wednesday, September 24

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Rape and Abuse: NDSU Taking Back the Night 2008

Daria Odegaard, Public Education Coordinator,

Rape and Abuse Crisis Center;

Chuck Derry, MN Men’s Action Network

Odegaard and Derry will speak on the nature of rape and abuse in the FM area and will promote Take Back the Night.

Wednesday, October 1

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

FORWARD report and discussion #1

Canan Bilen-Green, Betsy Birmingham, Ann Burnett

and Evie Myers members of FORWARD group

Challenges for NDSU female faculty and staff the FORWARD group will report and conduct a discussion of the faculty surveys taken last fall as part of the NSF ADVANCE grant application.

Wednesday, October 8

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Coming Out on Campus

Panel

National Coming Out Day is October 11, 2008. This panel of NDSU community members will discuss the importance of being out on campus, the coming out process and share personal stories.

Wednesday, October 15

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

International Service Trip: Guatemala

NDSU Students

Hear from students who witnessed, and did something about, Guatemalan poverty. Individuals who participated in last year's International Service Seminar will be on-hand to detail their accounts of life in Guatemala. Come hear about the great things that NDSU students are doing for their global community.

Wednesday, October 22

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Interfaith Dialogue: Promoting Understanding Between Faiths

Multicultural Student Services

Staff from Multicultural Student Services will guide you through a glimpse into the values of a variety of faiths. Recitations from several faiths will be read. Refreshments will be served.

Co-sponsored by Multicultural Student Services

Wednesday, November 5

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Depression and Women: Dispelling the Myths and Finding the Answers

Susan Rae Helgeland, Executive Director, Mental Health America of ND

Helgeland will pre-test and screen for depression and discuss the prevalence and seriousness of the problem among women.

Wednesday, November 12

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Native American Poetry: Circle of Life

Multicultural Student Services

Interested in Native American poetry? In celebration of Native American Heritage Month at NDSU, join Multicultural Student Services and friends for a glimpse into contemporary and traditional Native American poetry that reflects the circle of life.

Wednesday, November 19

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

What Does it Mean to be Trans?: Gender Identity as a form of Diversity

In honor of Transgender Day of Remembrance (November 20), this presentation will discuss gender identity. How can we be allies for transgender people? Come to this session and find out more!

Wednesday, December 3

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

HIV/AIDS

NDSU Wellness Education Leaders

The Wellness Education Leaders will present HIV/AIDS information to promote the awareness of AIDS. Learn how the virus is and is NOT transmitted, and how to protect yourself from HIV. Various Myths and Facts will also be discussed.

Wednesday, December 10

12:00-1:00 MU Arikara Room

Meeting the Differing Needs of Domestic and International Students

Multicultural Student Services

Staff from Multicultural Student Services and International Programs will discuss differences and similarities between Multicultural and International students, offer examples of how staff and faculty can meet the needs these populations, and answer any questions you have.