June is LGBTQ Pride Month! Check out our newsletter for important resources and events. Learn about 30 different Pride Flags and what each represents.

Juneteenth, observed on June 19, marks the end of slavery in the U.S. and commemorates African-American freedom in 1865. Sign up to learn about Juneteenth and participate in a virtual event.

Learn more about National Caribbean American Heritage Month, as June also celebrates diversity among Caribbean immigrants- like the founding father Alexander Hamilton, who have shaped America.

Supporting LGBTQ Communities: Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in America and globally face discrimination and significant health risks. Spend this month learning how to be an "Ally to transgender and Nonbinary youth", and engage in intersectional conversations. For additional resources, check out The Trevor Project, GLAAD, and UCR's LGBT resource center.

"The War on Critical Race Theory". Coined by legal scholar, Dr. Kimberlé Crenshaw, Critical Race Theory (CRT) is a "practice of interrogating the role of race and racism in society." CRT observes that scholarship that ignores race adheres to existing racial hierarchy and structural inequalities. Learn more about the tenets and importance of critical race theory in Education Week.

Psi Chi officers are the recipients of the 2020-21 Kay Wilson Officer Team Leadership Award. Congrats to faculty advisor Dr. Kalina Michalska and Psi Chi officers: Darian Dik, Jesus Bravo, Shengxi Chen, Karrine Cuatook, Hallie May, Jessica Pham & Jenna Nguo!

R'PSYCH 2121: Check out the UCR Psi Chi website to see the 2021 R'PSYCH conference program, awarded titles, presentation recordings, and Dr. Aerika Loyd's keynote, "Using Psychological Science to Create a More Equitable Word".

PSYC 2021 x Glocally Connected Fundraiser: R'PSYC 2021 is hosting a GoFundMe for Glocally Connected & future undergraduate research conferences! Glocally Connecteds is a nonprofit organization that promotes community building to support refugee populations. Click here to donate.
**DEI SPOTLIGHT**

Dr. Brent Hughes is an Assistant Professor of Psychology at UCR and the director of the Social Neuroscience Lab. Dr. Hughes uses methods like functional neuroimaging, behavioral experiments, and computational modeling to gain insight into how people see themselves, navigate their social environments, and connect with other people. Dr. Hughes's work on "Why people of color are misidentified so often" was recently featured on BBC's Equality Matters. This research contributes to the "cross-race effect" or "own-race bias", suggesting people identify faces of their own race better-compared to faces of other races. Dr. Hughes also serves on the Psyc DEI student recruitment and retention committee. Thank you for your many contributions to DEI initiatives!

Yssis Davis is an active member of the UCR Youth Health and Development Lab since March 2020. Yssis is passionate about issues of equity and social justice. Her critically important and timely research investigating the relationship between policing of youth of color in the Inland Empire and future youth arrests was presented at the Society for Research in Child Development's 2021 meeting. In recognition of her leadership potential, Yssis was awarded a scholarship from the S.L. Gimbel Foundation. She is an active member of several student organizations, including UCR’s Black Student Union, and is actively engaged in community issues in Southern California. Graduating this Spring 2021, congratulations Yssis!