UNC Charlotte Statement Against Bias During the COVID-19 Pandemic

RESOURCES:

COVID-19 Resources:
Center for Disease Control:

World Health Organization:
https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

UNC Charlotte Resources:

Bias-Related Incident Report: Any student, faculty, or staff member that has experienced, witnessed, or knows about a bias-related incident involving our Niner Community, is highly encouraged to submit a bias-related incident report. This will provide us information to track the prevalence of incidents and will allow us to get folks connected to additional resources.

Student Conduct Report: Any student, faculty, or staff member that would like to report a behavior or incident that violates our Code of Student Responsibility, involving one of our UNC Charlotte students, should submit a Maxient report. If the incident is also biased in nature, we highly recommend also submitting a bias-related incident report.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS): This office is committed to the mental well-being of our students on campus. If a student is looking for support as it relates to their mental health, they should reach out to CAPS to discuss service options. CAPS also has resources about navigating oppression and has provided the campus community with some coping strategies during this time. When possible, CAPS has also facilitated Healing & Empowerment Groups, to support students impacted by oppression-based trauma as well as to provide community.

Student Assistance and Support Services (SASS): This office is housed within the Dean of Students Office in Student Affairs. They are able to provide support to students as it relates to navigating crisis and extenuating circumstances. They are also able to provide assistance if situations are impeding a student's academic performance.

Office of Identity, Equity, and Engagement (IEE): Also housed under the Dean of Students Office, the IEE works to support students with minoritized identities. If a student is looking for
someone to talk to for support as it relates to their identities or as it relates to navigating bias, the IEE staff is available via phone, email, and virtual video and chat for support and guidance. The IEE also offers support to any member of the UNC Charlotte community that needs assistance in filing a bias-related incident report.

**Student Health Center (SHC):** The SHC provides primary medical care, disease prevention, health education, wellness promotion, and various specialty services to all registered UNC Charlotte students, regardless of the type of health insurance they carry.

**ADVANCE FADO Office:** The UNC Charlotte ADVANCE Faculty Affairs and Diversity Office builds faculty diversity and promotes faculty success through research and programming on recruitment, re-appointment, promotion and tenure practices; policy reform; mentoring; leadership and career development.

**External Resources:**

Racial Equity and Social Justice Resources

Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council
http://www.asianpacificpolicyandplanningcouncil.org/stop-aapi-hate/

https://www.npr.org/2020/03/02/811363404/when-xenophobia-spreads-like-a-virus

“The global response to COVID-19 has made clear that the fear of contracting disease has an ugly cousin: xenophobia. As the coronavirus has spread from China to other countries, anti-Asian discrimination has followed closely behind, manifesting in plummeting sales at Chinese restaurants, near-deserted Chinatown districts and racist bullying against people perceived to be Chinese. We asked our listeners whether they had experienced this kind of coronavirus-related racism and xenophobia firsthand. And judging by the volume of emails, comments and tweets we got in response, the harassment has been intense for Asian Americans across the country — regardless of ethnicity, location or age. A common theme across our responses: Public transit has been really hostile.”

https://www.alternet.org/2020/04/no-the-coronavirus-is-not-an-equalizer-black-people-are-being-infected-and-dying-at-higher-rates/

“Because of discrimination and generational income inequality, black households in the county earned only 50% as much as white ones in 2018, according to census statistics. Black people are far less likely to own homes than white people in Milwaukee and far more likely to rent, putting black renters at the mercy of landlords who can kick them out if they can’t pay during an
economic crisis, at the same time as people are being told to stay home. And when it comes to health insurance, black people are more likely to be uninsured than their white counterparts."

Asian Americans Advancing Justice: is a national affiliation of five leading organizations advocating for the civil and human rights of Asian Americans and other underserved communities to promote a fair and equitable society for all.