Diversity Council on Global Education and Citizenship

Founded in 1990, the Diversity Council of Kean University, in collaboration with Kean’s Holocaust Resource Center and College of Education, provides more than 70 member school districts with opportunities that empower educators to create safe, inclusive learning environments for all students through enhanced graduate-level courses and professional development.

Why join the Diversity Council?

- Improve school climate by offering students and staff comprehensive diversity and safe-space training
- Increase academic rigor by training teachers to think critically about complex topics
- Strengthen curriculum, instruction and programming related to harassment, intimidation and bullying (HIB) laws as well as Holocaust, LGBTQ+, and Disability topics
- Provide students of all grade levels opportunities for academic leadership and activism
- Participate in cost-effective programming aligned with NJ professional development standards
- Infuse topics of diversity into lessons structured to teach Common Core-aligned skills as they relate to PARCC assessment
- Access a repository of classroom resources, including booklets, videos, and unit plans
- Engage Pre-Service Teachers preparing to enter the education and teaching profession
- Access to Kean University’s Holocaust Resource Center, Human Rights Institute, College of Education and more

What are the benefits of membership?

- Two tuition-free graduate courses for member districts:
  Teaching the Holocaust
  Teaching Prejudice Reduction

- Two tuition-free advanced graduate courses for member districts:
  Teaching the Holocaust
  Teaching Prejudice Reduction

- Educators that complete all four courses will earn a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Teaching the Holocaust and Prejudice Reduction

“As someone who has taken the four classes at Kean in teaching the Holocaust and Prejudice Reduction, I can speak first-hand as to how the courses changed my professional path, but also allowed me to refocus my personal goals.” - Franklin Stebbins, Diversity Council executive board member and Post-Baccalaureate instructor

- Multiple professional development opportunities annually
- General Assembly Meetings featuring expert keynote speakers on current educational issues and pedagogy
- Annual elementary, middle and high school student leadership conferences
- Collaboration and annual trip to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.