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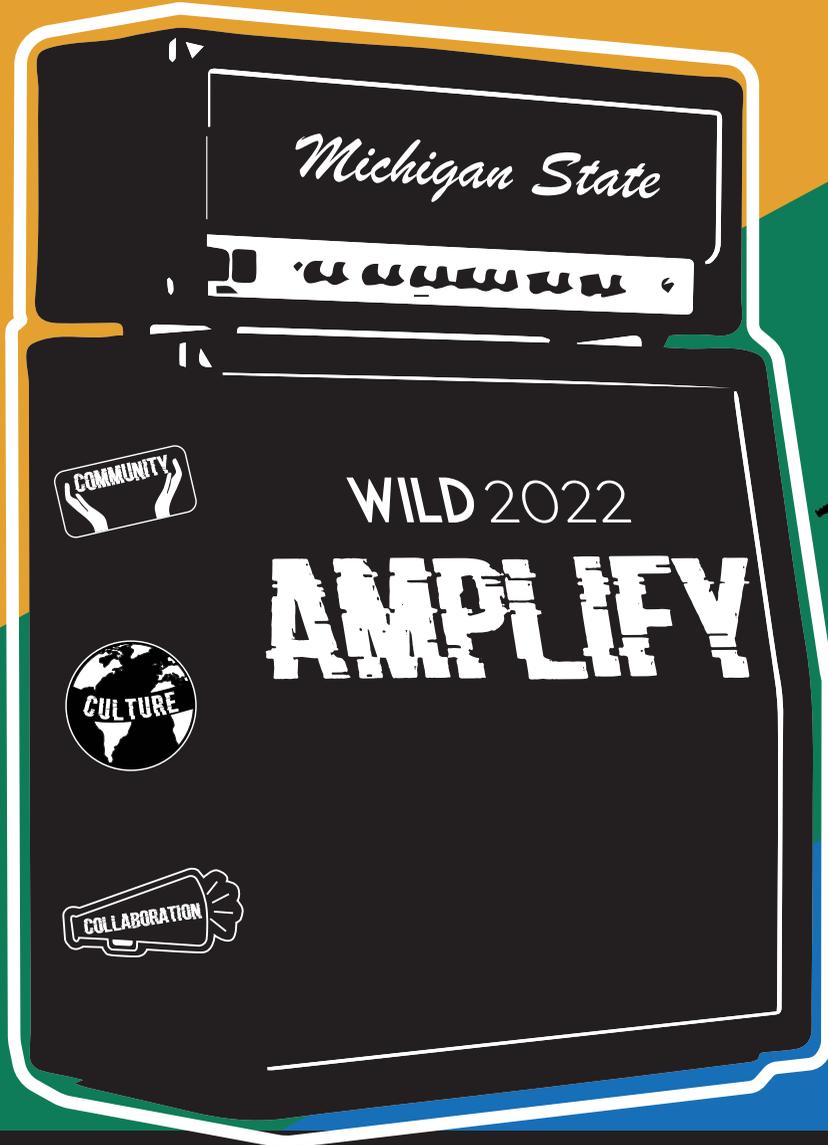
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WOMEN'S INITIATIVE FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

WILD 2022

& STUDENT ACTIVISM SUMMIT



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022

welcome!

Dear WILD Participant,

Welcome to the fourth Women*s Initiative for Leadership Development Conference, after its revival in 2019. Our goal is to encourage leadership development, empower students, faculty, staff, and alumni, and promote social change within the larger MSU community. We are privileged and excited to share this experience with all of you and we hope that you enjoy your time at the WILD conference.

During the conference, you can look forward to speakers and workshops that align with this year's theme, Amplify: Community, Culture, and Collaboration. Through WILD, we hope to strengthen our communities and build deeper connections with one another. This year, we aim to create a space where we can bring our unique perspectives, identities, and experiences together to learn and work to amplify the voices of those in our communities.

Please take advantage of all the opportunities offered to you today, including our speaker and workshop opportunities, as well as a Q&A session with American labor leader and equal rights activist Dolores Huerta. We encourage you to embrace our community through networking and meaningful conversations with fellow conference attendees. Following the conference, we hope that you will use what you have learned learned from our presenters, keynotes, and each other to enhance your leadership skills, perspectives, and social awareness.

We are so glad that you are here & hope that you enjoy the WILD 2022 Conference!

Conference Co-Chair
ASHLEIGH LOWE
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conference schedule

AT-A-GLANCE

- 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Check-In & Registration**
MSU Union Ballroom Foyer
- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Opening Session and Banquet Lunch**
Conference Co-Chairs Welcome
Student Keynote Address: Alissa Hakim
Read more about our conference keynote on pg. 7
MSU Union Ballroom
- 12:40 PM - 1:40 PM **BLOCK 1: Workshop Breakout Sessions**
See descriptions on pages 8-9
MSU Union Meeting Rooms - 3rd Floor (see building map on pg. 15)
- 1:50 PM - 2:50 PM **BLOCK 2: Workshop Breakout Sessions**
See descriptions on pages 10-11
MSU Union Meeting Rooms - 3rd Floor (see building map on pg. 15)
- 2:50 PM - 3:00 PM **Networking Snack Break**
MSU Union Sun Porch & Ballroom
- 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Conference Keynote Q&A with Dolores Huerta**
Read more about our conference keynote on pg. 6
MSU Union Ballroom
- 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Conference Closing & Evaluation**
MSU Union Ballroom

collaboration

Student Activism Summit

The Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Unit of Residence Education and Housing Services hosts the Student Activism Summit every semester. This summit has the purpose of providing a space for students and student groups to come together with the hopes of learning more about student activism. While all students are welcome, this space works to highlight two student communities (this fall, the collaborators are the Jewish Student Union and CRU: Culturas De Las Razas Unidas) allowing students to learn about how we can support and collaborate in student activism, celebrating and deepening the understandings of our differences, and coming to a greater recognition of the commonalities we share. It's a great opportunity to learn about other student groups and best practices, offer support, and engage with others who are working to make the campus a better place!

WILD is grateful for the opportunity to partner with the Student Activism Summit this year --- **collaboration in action!**



**RESIDENCE EDUCATION
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conference themes

Amplify: Community, Culture, Collaboration

AMPLIFY | It is our duty to amplify the voices of people both within and outside our communities. In order to make effective change, we must stand with marginalized communities and use our privileges to make sure the voices of everyone in the community are heard, represented, and understood. Through a collection of unique identities, interests, and experiences, we can share in our growth and transformation by listening to one another, learning through our differences, and building one another up. When we raise our voices together, we are able to create powerful social change and build meaningful connections across cultures and communities.



COMMUNITY | Through common interests, attitudes, and goals we're able to form unique and diverse communities within MSU and the broader Lansing community that remind us that we are not alone in our fight. Through these communities, we come together to advocate for shared passions, form connections, and create a social consciousness that helps us to question our systems and beliefs.

CULTURE | We define our communities through shared beliefs, traditions, stories, and more. Through this rich culture we create a space for people to come together. By celebrating the differences across communities, we are able to amplify the voices of those who are underrepresented and silenced by our broader society.



COLLABORATION | We recognize the importance of partnerships, teamwork, and coalition-building when it comes to achieving successful collaboration. Through listening, effective use of community resources, and sharing our experiences, we are able to use our positions of power in society to facilitate change. By putting nuanced differences aside, we find beauty in our diversity that allows us to learn from each other and serve the betterment of our communities.

Dolores Huerta

CONFERENCE KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Dolores Huerta has worked for labor and human rights and social justice for over 50 years. In 1962, she and Cesar Chavez founded the United Farm Workers union. She served as Vice President and played a critical role in many of the union's accomplishments for four decades. In 2002, she received the Puffin/Nation \$100,000 prize for Creative Citizenship which she used to establish the Dolores Huerta Foundation (DHF). DHF is connecting groundbreaking community-based organizing to state and national movements to register and educate voters; advocate for education reform; bring about infrastructure improvements in low-income communities; advocate for greater equality for the LGBT community; and create strong leadership development. She has received numerous awards: among them The Eleanor Roosevelt Humans Rights Award from President Clinton in 1998. In 2012 President Obama bestowed Dolores with The Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor in the United States.

Please use the space below to write questions you would like to ask Dolores Huerta!

Alissa Hakim

STUDENT KEYNOTE

ABOUT | Alissa Hakim is a third-year student double majoring in Arts and Humanities within the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities and Political Theory in James Madison College (JMC) with a minor in Muslim Studies. She has presented at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum with Sister Circle as a Undergraduate Research Assistant and independently. Alissa has taken the community engagement frameworks and applies them to the work she does, not only with Sister Circle, but also with the Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) and her research endeavors. It's a hope of hers to work in public defense to create reform that focuses on meeting unmet needs. Alissa has worked with ASMSU as a general assembly representative and DEI Programming Coordinator, JMC's DEI Office as an outreach ambassador, AREA for a DEI teach-in, and the Honors College for research. Outside of school and work, Alissa loves to paint and sketch.



notes:

workshop descriptions

SESSION BLOCK 1

Anti-Semitism on College Campuses

HURON

Presentation by: Maddi Jackson

This workshop will discuss the presence of antisemitism on college campuses and the implications of it. It will break down what antisemitism means, how it's shown up over time, and different ways it has been used to harm Jewish communities specifically on MSU's campus. The goal of this workshop is to shed light on the reality of the need for activism, and how to get students involved in the advocacy for Jewish peoples.

Supporting Survivors of Relationship Violence

ONTARIO

Presentation by: Lara Rie Hayden (they/she)

This workshop focuses on learning skills and tools to use in collaboration with survivors of relationship violence to best support them through their healing journey. It highlights how community support can help change the experience of healing for survivors.

Pushing Back on Professionalism

MICHIGAN

Presentation by: Skye Monet-Ryanne Flores (she/her/hers) & Stephanie Lopez (she/her/ella)

Join Skye and Stephanie in this discussion-based session to explore the concept of "professionalism" and what it means to be a professional in a white, patriarchal society. How are the expectations and standards of professionalism regulating the lives of people of color and women/fem-identifying folx in academia and the workforce? In this workshop, explore how we can cultivate communities that center on changing the norms around professionalism, while also protecting our own peace.

12:40 PM – 1:40 PM

Go With the Flow: Make the Most of Menstruation

Presentation by: Nupur Huria (she/her/hers)

SUPERIOR

This workshop highlights attitudes towards menstruation in different cultures and how we can learn to celebrate our bodies from a healthcare perspective, emphasizing the importance of menstrual hygiene education, and exploring menstrual equity in our communities. Through learning about biological factors and the phases of the menstrual cycle, workshop attendees will learn about how to most effectively take advantage of their cycle.

Culture of Arabian Gulf

Presentation by: Kaltham Altaher (she/her/hers)

MSU ROOM

In the "Culture of the Arabian Gulf" workshop, we'll explore the similarities and differences between the many Arab cultures. Our discussion will also include Orientalism and how Western society views Arab culture through movies. We will focus on Arabian Gulf culture and attire, and you will have the opportunity to sample some local cuisine.

Reflection Space

ERIE

Need a bit of down time and quiet? Please stop by the reflection room during session block 1 and 2, hosted by W*SS Social Work intern, Jada James.



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SESSION BLOCK 2

Testimonios and Radical Love in Everyday Social Action **HURON**

Presentation by: Dr. Estrella Torres, Student Activism Summit

In this workshop, we will discuss how we can witness and exchange testimonios for enacting everyday social action. We will explore ways in which social movements have used testimonio as an instrument of radical love for social action. The practice of testimonios has a long legacy of bringing to light injustices acted upon and enacted by communities. This workshop will begin with a brief history of Latine/x movement grounded in testimonios and radical love, followed by an exercise in sharing testimonios for coalition building.

Cite Me! A Black Feminist Politics of Citation **ONTARIO**

Presentation by: Yvonne Morris (she/her/hers)

Black women and researchers of color are underrepresented in academic publications, as well as under-circulated in citations rates. Although Black women are intellectually prolific, Black women's intellect and knowledge are often erased, undervalued, exploited, and are not included in academic canons. If the academy continues to reinforce and reproduce institutional racism and sexist publishing and citational practices, then this Black feminist citational praxis is its undoing. This workshop will discuss how we can demand inclusion of Black women's knowledge production to be included in our syllabi, as well as amplify such citational praxis in our own work.

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1:50 PM – 2:50 PM

Women, Life, Freedom! Zan, Zendegi, Azadi!

MICHIGAN

Presentation by: Natalia Khosman (she/her/hers)

This workshop serves as a project-based examination of the feminist-led human rights movement in Iran. Following the powerful women of Iran from 1979 to present in their push to gain freedom and equality under an oppressive government, this workshop aims to educate people on the power of communal collaboration in the face of injustice and shed light on creating connections with the current fight for freedom in Iran, while applying what we can learn from this movement.

Queerness in Latinidad

SUPERIOR

Presentation by: Isa Olivio, Dreux Baker, Cara Drew, Student Activism Summit

Queer Latine people are often left out in conversations involving both Queer communities and Latine communities. In "Queerness in Latinidad" we will center those missing voices through the exploration of machismo, intersectionality, and colonialism.

Restrictive Masculinity: Unpacking Toxic Masculine Norms

MSU ROOM

Presentation by: Garrett McAlister (he/him/his)

What is restrictive masculinity? Masculinity is not in itself a bad thing. However, through the misuse of power, it currently and historically has caused harm to others, as well as those who identify as a man, male, or masculine. In this session, we will explore the manner in which restrictive masculinity both internally and externally confines our actions, expressions, and reinforces unhealthy cultural beliefs and gender norms and work to reframe the conversation around masculinity.



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planning committee

We would like to extend an enormous thank you to our WILD planning committee. The WILD Conference would not be possible without the dedicated involvement of the students and staff who spent the last two semesters growing in their leadership, collaborating, planning, coordinating, and executing this year's conference. Thank you all for your time, sustained involvement, and innovation!

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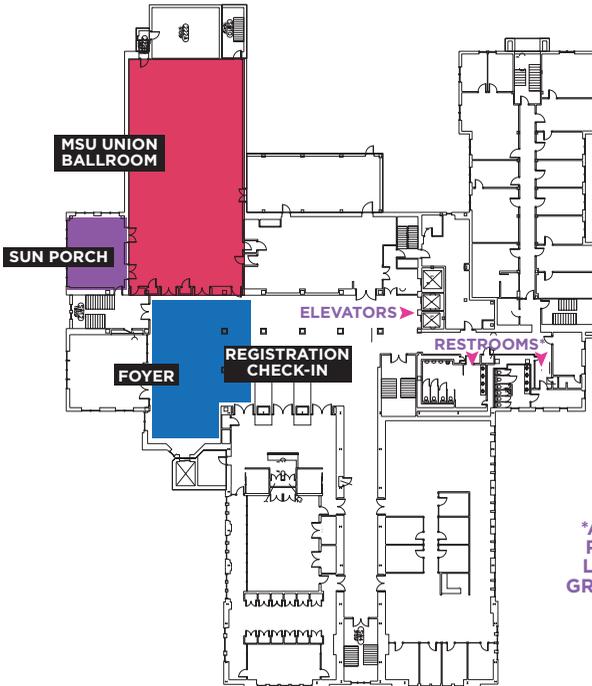
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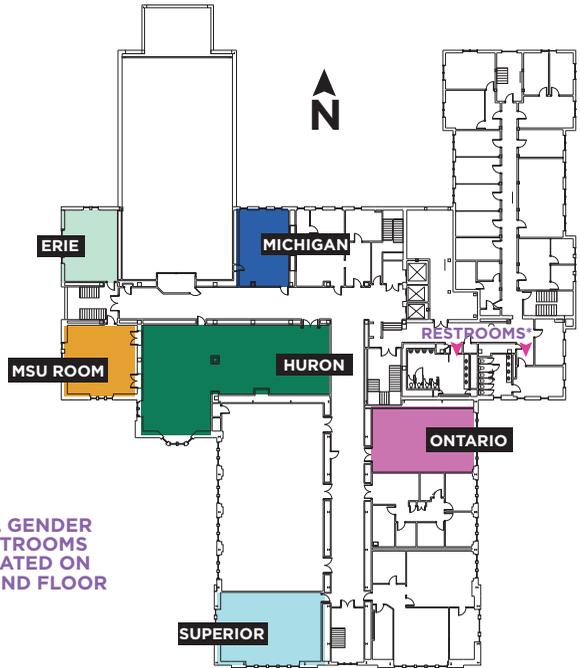


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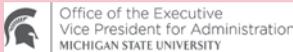
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