

## What is Global Citizenship & Equity (GCE)

Global Citizenship in action requires students to reflect on the many identities that contribute to our whole being that form who we are as individuals, as members of communities and in our role to improve the social inequities of our world.

Understanding the role of equity allows students to deepen their knowledge of how personal and social responsibility needs to address the injustices of our world at the personal, professional and global levels.

Global Citizenship & Equity at Centennial College allows students to think critically about their commitments and actions to bring about transformational change.

This is Centennial College's Signature Learning Experience.

"BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD"
- Gandhi

### The GCE Portfolio

The development of a portfolio is a process of documenting your learning. Each item (also called artifact) selected for inclusion in the portfolio demonstrate growth and understanding of Global Citizenship & Equity within your program of study.

The GCE Portfolio is a visual representation of your GCE experiences, knowledge, strengths, abilities, skills, qualities and learning. It will represent students' potential as individuals/employees who are aware of their personal and social responsibilities in our interconnected world.

A Global Citizenship & Equity Portfolio is a:

- Demonstration of the process of your learning and understanding of GCE.
- Collection of selected materials that support and demonstrate your ability to understand and apply relevant knowledge and skills in GCE.
- Critical reflection of yourself and the world around you.

Your GCE Portfolio can be in the form of a 3-ring binder, notebook, presentation folder or electronic form such as website, CD, or DVD.

#### How will a GCE Portfolio Benefit You?

Employers today are very interested in aspects of diversity that lead to greater innovation and efficiency within the workplace. Understanding the concepts of GCE will allow students to develop respectful working relationships, which works to foster productivity. Additional benefits of a GCE Portfolio:

- Greater sense of confidence
- Enhanced leadership abilities
- Developed global consciousness
- Competitiveness over other college graduates
- Improved writing, interpersonal, critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills
- Ability to work cooperatively with people of diverse backgrounds and beliefs
- Positive relationship building skills

"FOR TO BE FREE IS NOT MERELY TO CAST OFF ONE'S CHAINS, BUT TO LIVE IN A WAY THAT RESPECTS AND ENHANCES THE FREEDOM OF OTHERS."

- Nelson Mandela



# The Centennial College Edge

A Centennial graduate who has completed and fulfilled the requirements of a Global Citizenship & Equity Portfolio will have significantly enhanced the skills necessary to succeed in a globally diverse workplace.

With portfolios increasingly becoming a professional and industry expectation, through the use of the Global Citizenship & Equity Portfolio, employers will know Centennial graduates as individuals who are fully aware of their personal and social responsibilities in our diverse and interconnected world.

"EDUCATION IS THE PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THOSE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY."

- Malcolm X

## **GCE Portfolio Learning Advisors**

In order to help you along this process of developing a Global Citizenship & Equity Portfolio, each program has a designated GCE Portfolio Learning Advisor.

Your GCE Portfolio Learning Advisor is a resource for the development of your GCE Portfolio within your program of study. The GCE Portfolio Learning Advisor can clarify any questions you may have, provide you with relevant resources and inform you of upcoming GCE co-curricular events that can be included in your GCE Portfolio.

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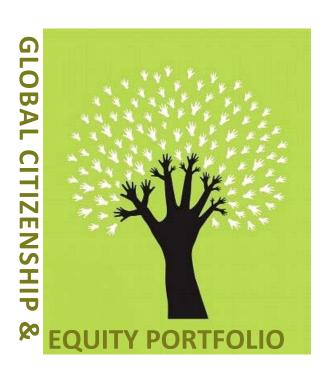
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