

Diversity and Inclusion Statement

As a community dedicated to learning and growth for all its members, Florida Southern College promotes civility, respect, and belonging as foundational to its purpose as a community. This foundation makes possible a safe and inclusive learning environment that advocates honest dialogue, an exchange of perspectives, a discussion about differences, and creative solutions to uncomfortable challenges.

In this interconnected world, the ability of Florida Southern students to comfortably and effectively communicate, cooperate, and collaborate with diverse individuals is important to successful personal and professional growth.

The Florida Southern community rejects discrimination of any form, including, but not limited to that related to ability, age, appearance, ethnicity, family/marital status, gender, gender expression, language, nationality, political ideology, race, religion, spirituality, socio-economic status, as well as other experiences.

In keeping with our cornerstone values, Florida Southern promotes intellectual curiosity and self-expression and strives for all faculty, students, and staff to feel a part of the community with excitement and inclusivity – and without fear of reprisal for being true to themselves. The College community thus embraces diversity and inclusion, and as a result, our viewpoints are enriched, and our community is strengthened.