Achieving excellence in liberal education requires a commitment to embracing diversity in the broadest sense—not only a range of intellectual perspectives but also a diversity of people. Brown’s diverse educational environment offers you the opportunity to think broadly about the nature of complexity itself and to learn how to participate productively in a pluralistic society. At Brown, you will be challenged to examine your assumptions and to develop a more open and inclusive view of the world and your place in it.

This brochure offers some entry points for experiences—in the classroom, across campus, and beyond—that will help you engage with others and flourish as individuals and communities. We invite you to immerse yourself in our lively, provocative, and stimulating community by taking advantage of the many things to do, people to meet, and places to visit at Brown.

PLACES TO START

Stop by, say hi, and return often. Below are just a few of the offices and centers of the Office of the Dean of the College (brown.edu/college) and the Division of Campus Life and Student Services (brown.edu/campuslife) that serve as diversity resources. In addition, students are invited to utilize the resources and services of the Office of Institutional Diversity (brown.edu/go/diversity).

Chaplains and Religious Life, Office of Rev. Janet Cooper Nelson, Chaplain/Director brown.edu/ocrl
Curricular Resource Center Peggy Chang, Director brown.edu/college/crc
Diversity Programs (The College) Maitrayee Bhattacharyya, Associate Dean brown.edu/college
International Programs, Office of Kendall Brostuen, Director brown.edu/oip
International Student & Visitor Exp. Shontay Delalue, Director/Assistant Dean brown.edu/internationalstudents
LGBTQ Center Kelly Garrett, Program Director brown.edu/lgbtq
Sarah Doyle Women’s Center Gail Cohee, Director/Assistant Dean brown.edu/sdwc
Student Activities Office Timothy Shiner, Director brown.edu/sao
Student & Employee Accessibility Svs. Catherine Axe, Director brown.edu/seas
Student Veterans & Commissioning Karen McNeil, Program Director brown.edu/veterans, brown.edu/go/rotc
Swearer Center for Public Service Kate Trimble, Acting Director swearercenter.brown.edu
Third World Center Mary Grace Almandrez, Director/Asstiant Dean brown.edu/twc
**STEPS TO TAKE**

- Enroll in a Diverse Perspectives in Liberal Learning (DPLL) course, including those offered in Africana Studies, Ethnic Studies, Gender and Sexuality Studies, and Religious Studies, to name just a few.
- Intentionally connect with individuals in your residential unit who are different from you. Seek out your Women Peer Counselors (WPCs), Minority Peer Counselors (MPCs), and Residential Counselors (RCs).
- Join identity-based student organizations, including cultural, religious or spiritual, disability-related, or gender or sexuality, or attend their events.
- Attend performances, art exhibits, lectures, or readings that celebrate diversity and explore new perspectives.
- Connect with Faculty, Staff, and Alumni in the Renn Mentoring Program (serving LGBTQ students); the African American, Latino, Asian/Asian American and Native American students (ALANA) Mentoring Program; and the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program.
- Attend an Interfaith Thursday Night Supper or join the Multi-Faith Council.
- Attend events related to disability awareness and events during Deaf Awareness Week. Volunteer as a SEAS (accessibility services) note-taker.
- Attend campus heritage series and history month events, including Asian American Heritage, Black Heritage, Latino Heritage, Multiracial Heritage, Native American Heritage, Pride Month, and Women’s History Month.
- Attend Brown’s annual Veterans’s Day Ceremony (12 noon on Nov. 11).
- Enroll in student-run, non-credit “courses,” including those sponsored by Social Classmates and the Religious Literacy Project.
- Connect with the great diversity of Providence through the Swearer Center for Public Service. Attend Swearer Center trainings for students interested in community engagement and ask about Careers in the Common Good.
- Study abroad (brown.edu/oip) or study away in the US (Semester Exchange at Tougaloo College in Mississippi or Urban Education Semester in New York City). Apply for the Civil Rights Spring Break Trip at Tougaloo.
- Engage with Brown’s major academic centers focused on advancing issues of diversity—the Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, the Center for the Study of Slavery and Justice, the Pembroke Center for Teaching and Research on Women, and Rites and Reasons Theatre.
- Seek out domestic and international research, fellowships, and internships, including Undergraduate Teaching and Research Awards (UTRA), Starr and Royce Fellowships, and Leadership Alliance summer internships.
- Engage in interdisciplinary projects that draw upon concepts and talents from multiple academic fields at the Science Center.
- Connect with the Multicultural Alumni Council and affinity groups.
- Don’t see a course or concentration about your topic? Ask the Curricular Resource Center about independent study projects and concentrations.