## The KU Commission on Human Diversity

The Commission on Human Diversity facilitates the development of an environment in which members of the university community are valued and their differences honored. Understanding for and among all groups is pursued through the arrangement and support of special activities such as open forums, diversity dialogues and education workshops that promote awareness and honor of each other's differences

# 2011-12 Commission on Human Diversity

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# Interfaith Perspectives for Community, Peace, and Social Justice





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Friday, March 30-McFarland Student Union

8:30 AM—BREAKFAST & REGISTRATION
Room 250—President's Room

9:15—10:00 am—BREAK OUT SESSION I

10:15—11:00 am—BREAK OUT SESSION II

See Below

11:15-12:00 PANEL: Sharing our Spiritual Journeys Room 183—Alumni Auditorium

12:00-1:00 LUNCH & DISCUSSION Room 223- Formal Dining Room

Session I; 9:15-10:00 am

Session II; 10:15-11:00 am

Room 312	Levinasian Ethics of the Other and Interfaith Relations Dr M. Ashraf Adeel
Room 157	Holiday Centers: A Way to Promote Interfaith Activities in School Dr. Nurun Begum
Room 250	Religion, Hegemony and Violence Dr. Mahfuzul Khondaker

Room 312	Christina Rosseti's Faith Based Environmental Ethics Dr. Todd Williams
Room 157	Our Words Have Life Deborah Johnson
Room 183	FILM: Interfaith Dialogue Facilitators: Brandon Nolt & Martha Anderson

## Presenters:

<u>Dr. M. Ashraf Adeel—Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Kutztown University.</u> Dr. Adeel's philosophical interests include contemporary philosophy of language and science as well as modern Islamic thought. Ph.D in Philosophy from University of Hawaii. MA and BA from University of Peshawar

<u>Dr. Mahfuzul Khondaker</u>—Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Kutztown University. M.A. and Ph.D in Criminology from Indiana University of PA; BSS and MSS in Sociology from University of Dhaka

<u>Dr. Nurun Begum</u>—Assistant Professor of Education at East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania. D.Ed & M.Ed from the University of Dhaka and M.A. from Indiana University of PA.

<u>Deborah Johnson</u>—Assistant Professor of Elementary Education at Kutztown University. She is currently completing her doctorate degree in education with an emphasis on multicultural, social justice, and diverse strategies for teachers to increase the retention and graduation of African American males in the urban setting. Deborah speaks at many forums on educating urban students and how to prepare teacher with practical techniques for success.

<u>Dr. Todd Williams</u>—Assistant Professor of English at Kutztown University. He is the author of the forthcoming book *A Therapeutic Approach to Teaching Poetry*. His primary field of interest is nineteenthcentury British literature with an emphasis on the Pre-Raphaelite poets.

<u>Student Panelists:</u> Kerry Pernot, Jarred Schlottman, Ahmed Hamed, and Erin Smiley

<u>Facilitators</u>: Dr. Amy Pfeiler-Wunder & Rev. Sue Marie Baskette