MISSION: The Culture of Competence Committee (CCC) is a subcommittee of the SOM Diversity Committee and will seek to:

 Promote an appreciation for pluralism rooted in intellectual vitality and cross-cultural understanding to shape the undergraduate medical education experience.
  • specifically, the CCC will seek to heighten awareness of the contributions of language, racial, ethnic and cultural discordance in barriers to successful medical treatment.

 Create within the SOM and at the Health Science Center a culture of inclusion and understanding that fosters an environment of cultural sensitivity and consciousness that embraces distinct perspectives and unique strengths while recognizing that exposure to all types of diversity enriches all members of SOM and the HSC communities.

PURPOSE: To support and sustain current diversity and inclusion efforts at the SOM. Major emphasis will be placed on delivering cultural inclusion programming events for our medical school community. The goal of this committee is to address cultural issues and to help us interact effectively with one another to ensure we highlight and celebrate our diverse community. Additionally, the planned activities of the committee will serve to help students appreciate the nuances and roles of language, culture (including religion), ethnic, and racial-discordance in medicine.