



University of New Haven



Welcome to
SOAR

STUDENT ORIENTATION
ADVISING & REGISTRATION

#ThePowerofWe



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Learning to embrace diversity and foster a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming environment.

We hope you'll welcome, and embrace participation in an ongoing dialogue about diversity, inclusion, and social justice to critically examine and thoughtfully respond to the changing realities of our community.

Competency Learning Experience (CLE)

An innovative, pedagogically based initiative that engages and develops students in six targeted competencies. Through a structured set of experiences, students build and reflect on the knowledge, skills, and abilities that lead to personal and professional success.



**Optimize Your Experience,
Prepare for your Future**

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Our Intentions

- Cultural competence is a process
- Learning about yourself and others occurs on a continuum and over a lifetime.
- **Developing Community Agreements:**
 - We often engage in dialogue across difference. Community agreements provide a common framework for how we as a community will aspire to work and be together
- We live in an everchanging diverse environment therefore we cannot be expected to always “get it right.”
- The **Charger Compact** encourages an atmosphere where mistakes are opportunities for growth, learning, and restoration.
- **TODAY** we engage together to increase our shared understanding and growth.



CHARGER COMPACT

RESPONSIBILITY

RESPECT

UNDERSTANDING

INTEGRITY

SERVICE

EXCELLENCE

1. I will strive for academic excellence.

2. I will assume responsibility for my words, actions and inaction.

3. I will respect the dignity, rights and property of all persons.

Respecting the dignity, rights and property of all persons means insuring that my actions reflect an appreciation for the uniqueness of all community members as well as a respect for individual and community property.

4. I will strive to appreciate, respect and learn from others whose experiences and opinions are different from mine.

Striving to appreciate and learn from others whose experiences and opinions are different from mine means actively seeking opportunities to exchange ideas and personal histories with others.

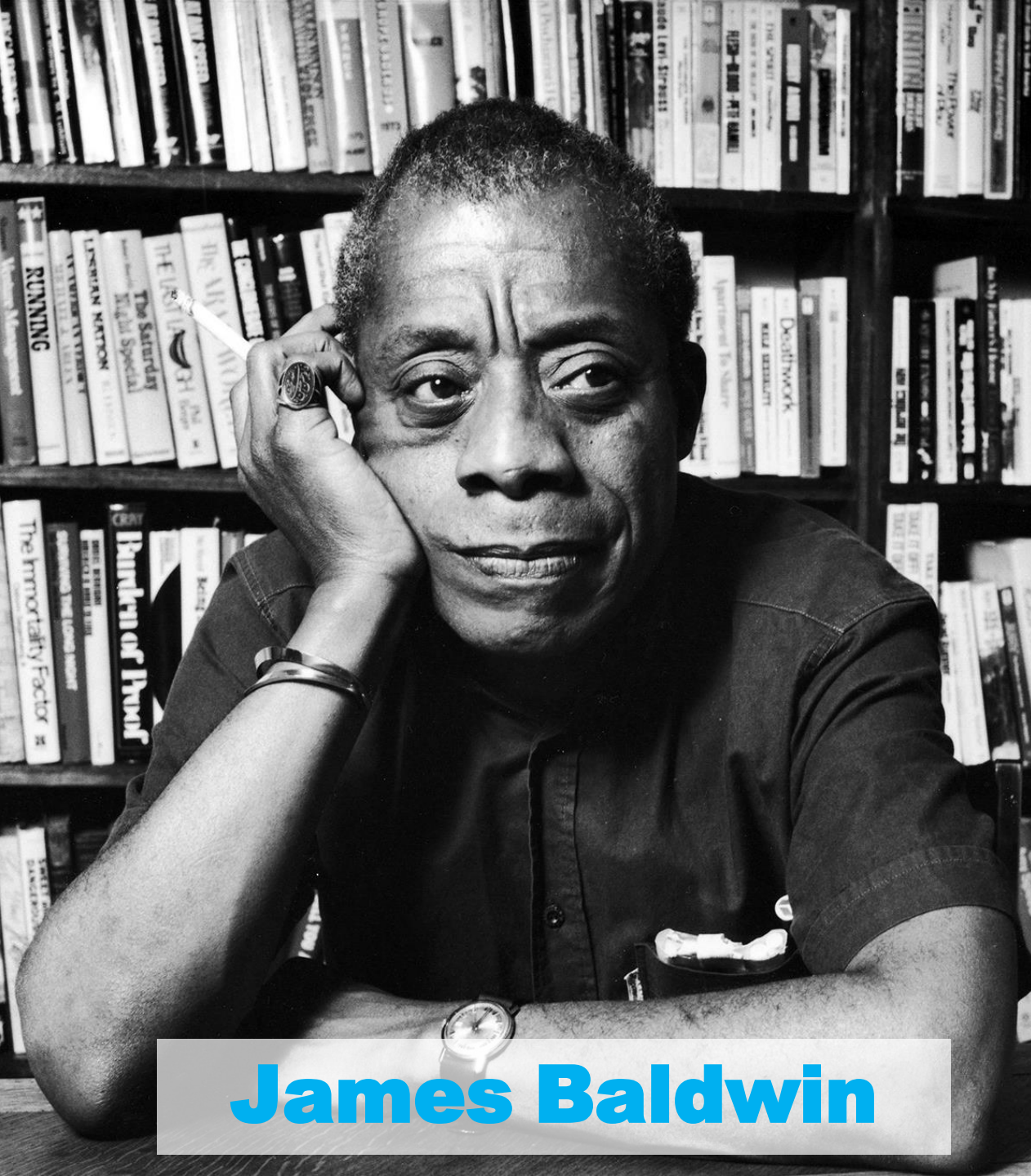
5. I will conduct my academic and personal life with integrity.

6. I will strive to contribute positively to the campus, local and global communities.

Striving to contribute positively to the campus, local and global communities means committing to being a proactive contributor whose community engagement reflects the goal of creating a better present and future for all.

Understanding our Shared Humanity





James Baldwin

The world changes according to the way people see it, and if you alter, even by a millimeter, the way a person looks at reality, then you can change it.

(J. Baldwin ,1979)

The paradox of education is precisely this - that as one begins to become conscious, one begins to examine the society in which he is being educated.

(J. Baldwin, 1963)

A degree by definition should equate with growth

(Y. Williams, 2022)

Understand the Power of We

- Consider that all communication is cultural!
- Always consider ideas, attitudes and behaviors involving all variables:
 - Time and space
 - Nonverbal & verbal communication
- Expand your understanding of the community by conversing amongst those you agree with AND trying to converse with those you disagree with.
- It is often said that true learning exists on the outskirts of our comfort zones. Challenge one another to reach beyond our commonalities to learn from the diversity around us.



Let's Hear from Your OTL's

What does it mean to you to be a part of our Charger Community and the importance of being an ally to each other?



Opportunities to Embrace Growth

- Join a student organization
 - The University has over 200 RSOs!
 - Fraternity & Sorority Life
 - Multicultural Organizations
- Serve as a Diversity Peer Educator or Community Wellness Advocate
- Participate in the USGA Advocacy Board
- Consider adding a Race and Ethnic Studies Minor

Get to know your resources:

- Dean of Students Office
- Myatt Center for Diversity & Inclusion
- International Services Office
- Veterans Office
- Registrar's Office
- Name Change Form





Thank YOU!

Questions?
Concerns?

Join us tonight at the
Tea Time @ 8:30 PM
in the Myatt Center!



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