

EMMANUEL COLLEGE CULTURAL AWARENESS PROGRAM

Policy Statement

(Revised 5/2013)

I. DESCRIPTION

- A. Events sponsored by Emmanuel College under the Cultural Awareness Program (CAP) will include the events as categorized in "B."
- B. Cultural Awareness Program events will be categorized as follows:
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| Art | Music | Dance | Film and Media |
| Drama | Religion & Society | Literature | Science & Philosophy |
- C. A Cultural Awareness Program calendar of events will be published at the beginning of each fall semester.
- D. The Cultural Awareness Program will offer a minimum of eight designated CAP events per year. Two to three will be programs by guest artists, and five to six will be on-campus events. The committee reserves the right to include two to three additional CAP events as it sees fit.
1. On-campus events are defined as "Events that are led by administration, faculty, staff, students, departments, committees, or clubs, and are selected by the CAP committee."
 - a. The CAP budget will not contribute to these events in any way, unless specified otherwise during the event selection process.
 - b. CAP responsibilities for on-campus events are as follows:
 - i. The CAP committee will Post CAP signs on the day of the event if needed
 - ii. The CAP committee will create fliers and promote the event in the daily announcements if needed
 - iii. The CAP committee will supply monitors and scanners for the event if needed
 - iv. The CAP committee will coordinate with Guy Chapman to have needed technology available if needed
 2. No additional events will be added to the CAP calendar after it is published each year.
- E. The following events shall qualify for CAP status, but will not appear on the published list of CAP events for each year due to limited space and/or additional cost to students:
- Etiquette dinner (on campus; sponsored by Career Services)
 - SEND conferences (assuming appropriate topic; sponsored by School of Christian Ministries)
 - Shakespeare Tavern (trip sponsored by Campus Activities Board)
 - High Museum of Art (trip sponsored by Campus Activities Board)

II. PURPOSE

The Cultural Awareness Program at Emmanuel College strives to achieve the following goals:

- A. Encourage students to learn the value of discovering insights from listening to and reflecting upon a diversity of cultural expressions. The Cultural Awareness Program intends to stretch minds, enlarge personal preferences and promote better understanding of the broader diversity of esthetic experiences and beliefs.
- B. Encourage students to be individuals who love the Lord with their heart, soul, and mind and their neighbors as themselves (Matthew 22:37-38) by opening their lives to the diversity of cultural expressions among the peoples of the world, past and present.
- C. Encourage critical reflection from the Christian perspective. This presupposes that the cultural expressions of any age reflect the values of its people.
- D. Promote the view that cultural awareness is fundamental to life-long learning. For this reason, faculty, as well as students at Emmanuel, are encouraged to expand their cultural awareness through participation in CAP events.
- E. Promote an understanding of appropriate etiquette at cultural events.
- D. Promote camaraderie within the Emmanuel College community.

III. REQUIREMENTS

- A. To graduate, each student must attend 2 Cultural Awareness Programs each academic year. A transfer student must attend 2 CAP events per year of full-time enrollment, and one CAP per semester beyond a full academic year.
- B. All students must attend 4 events to graduate with an AA or AS degree with two years of full-time enrollment. All students must attend 8 events to graduate with a BA or BS degree with 4 years of full-time enrollment. Students are required to scan in and out of CAP events.
- C. CAP credit will not be granted for off-campus events or additional on-campus events. Students with extenuating circumstances shall appeal this rule by completing an appeal form (available on the CAP website).
- D. Emmanuel College departments or clubs submitting requests for events to be considered as one of the on-campus CAP events on the CAP schedule must present a program that falls within the definition of “cultural awareness” found in the CAP Statement of Purpose. Departments or clubs which propose a CAP event must show how the event relates to one of the 7 categories listed under Description of Cultural Awareness Program.