Convocation

Fall 2019

College of the Redwoods

ILO #3 Community and Global Responsibility

The audience discussed the extent to which students believed that the general education prepared them for ethical decision making and awareness of a diverse global community. Students believed that their education prepared them with these outcomes more than it increased their awareness of diverse student groups. Audience members discussed the readings and assignments in their classes that provide opportunities for students to learn about diversity of perspectives. They believed that students might feel that they already had an awareness of diverse student groups because they decided to be a college student.

It was noted that cooperative work experience participation has increased substantially in recent years. Participants asked if this could be part of a larger initiative that included a career center. They noted that students have difficulty trying to figure out where to go to find work on-campus. The career education division and faculty noted that students approach them, and local businesses call them asking if they have trained students in need of work. A centralized career center to bring students and employers together would be very beneficial to students.

Administration of the Diverse Learning Environment survey was discussed. Questions were asked about the survey, and if it could be taken to the Multicultural & Diversity Committee for review. As a next step, it and other surveys would be taken there so that faculty could weigh in on the most effective survey to administer to gather more information.