Worlds Apart: Cultural Competence in Health Care Dialogue
Sponsored by the Office of Diversity

Session 1 – March 3, 2010 – An Introduction to Areas of Difference and Other Cultural Considerations
Session 2 – March 17, 2010 – Mohammad’s Story: Religion and Health Outcomes
Session 3 – March 31, 2010 – Justine’s Story: Role of Family and Beliefs in Medical Decisions
Session 4 – April 7, 2010 – Alicia’s Story: Cultural Rational and Non-Adherence to Medical Advice

A light lunch will be provided

Worlds Apart: A Four-Part Series on Cross-Cultural Healthcare seeks to address cultural competence issues by documenting the experiences of diverse patients as they negotiate the US health care system. Following each video, an open dialogue among participants will address the concerns relevant to your future work as health care professionals. These sessions will also focus on the reflections of how our own cultural norms and behaviors can affect a clinical encounter.

This series will allow participants to:

• identify the many challenges related to cultural complexities in delivering health care
• explore practical approaches and strategies to manage, solve and effectively communicate cross-culturally
• develop awareness, sensitivity and competencies for more effective interactions with diverse populations

All Sessions will be held from Noon to 12:50 p.m. at the Catherine Filene Shouse Building
Session 1, 2 & 3 in Room 305 A&B
Session 4 in Room 309