Diversity, Equity, (Access), and Inclusion - Mission and Strategic Plan

Department of Bioengineering University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Our Vision

Our Vision is to provide equal opportunity for all individuals in the Department of Bioengineering to flourish. We achieve this by our dedicated efforts:

- To uphold a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment.
- Celebrate the unique backgrounds and identities of our students, faculty, and staff.
- Encourage open expression within a climate of civility, sensitivity, and mutual respect.
- Promote a culture of excellence so individuals from all backgrounds and perspectives may succeed.

Core Values

The Department of Bioengineering at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign is dedicated to the integration of groups of diverse cultures, backgrounds, and life experiences toward a common goal of advancing biotechnology and improving the human condition. By enhancing our diversity socially, we simultaneously enhance diversity of intellectual innovation.

Our strategic plan aligns with campus and college efforts in pursuing excellence to ensure and enhance our commitment to diversity across students, staff, and faculty in the department. We recognize that our strength lies in our differences, and we are dedicated to removing systemic barriers, promoting dialogue, and fostering a sense of belonging for all.

Dedicated Effort to Successful Education

We strive to:

- Provide access to an inclusive learning environment.
- Enable students to pursue positions in bioengineering, encompassing academia, industry, government, or professional organizations.
- Develop a platform for professional advancement of all groups.
- Welcome a diverse population of undergraduate students, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers.
- Showcase how our diverse community provides enriching perspectives to develop creative solutions to real world challenges.

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