



**Report to the Board of Directors
November 2018 to January 2019 Updates
Center for Diversity and Social & Economic Justice
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The CSWE Center for Diversity and Social & Economic Justice is a resource to prepare social workers with the knowledge and skills to engage in effective practice with diverse communities and to help transform social systems in pursuit of more humane and equitable conditions.

Educator | Resource of the Month

The Center's newest initiative, the [Educator | Resource of the Month](#) is gaining traction among CSWE membership. Thus far, we have featured three educators who are experts in their field and who have presented rich teaching resources. We have participants lined up through May. Topics range from literary resources for social justice to podcasts focused on social work in the field. Each month's installment is showcased on the Center's website homepage, then [archived](#) in the Educator | Resource-specific section. We hope to make this a venue for monthly dissemination of social work curriculum resources. Our goal is to make the Diversity Center the national go-to place for innovative resources in diversity and justice for social work education. [Strategic Goal #2, #3, #5]

Website Traffic Increases

From November 1 to January 31, the Diversity Center's website has received 861 page views (approx. 287/month) with spikes of 50% surrounding announcements of the Educator | Resource in *Compass*. For context, between August 1, 2018 and October 31, 2018, the Center received 542 total pageviews, indicating a 37% increase in viewership over the last three months. [Strategic Goal #6]

Special Issue on "Advances Social Work Practice with Multicultural Communities"

A special issue spearheaded by the Diversity Center is to be published in late February in the *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*. The preface to the special issue, [Rethinking practice with multicultural communities: Lessons from research-based applications](#), which invites a reconsideration of how we conceptualize cultural diversity, is available now. [Strategic Goal #2, #5]

Work with Councils and Affiliated Groups of the Commission on Diversity and Social and Economic Justice

We continue to work with the Council on Disabilities to expand curricular resources on disability issues and have begun work to coordinate educational efforts with the newest affiliated group, the South Asian Faculty & Doctoral Students Group. [Strategic Goal #2]