

National Collegiate Dialogue on Race Relations Instructions—Academic Year 2014-2015

On Monday, September 15, 2014, USAonRace.com will continue the [National Collegiate Dialogue on Race Relations \(NCDRR\)](#). This is our 5th year of the dialogue. With the increasing racial unrest and racist incidents occurring on college campuses, and in communities across America and around the world, an honest, open, and ongoing dialogue about racism is needed more than ever.

NCDRR provides an excellent opportunity for students and professors to actively participate in a healthy and meaningful exchange about an important issue that continues to pose major challenges in contemporary society—race relations. The objectives of the dialogue are to:

- Promote understanding of the state of race relations and inclusiveness on college and university campuses;
- Discuss and assess the challenges we face as a nation and society;
- Stimulate active engagement in the development of constructive strategies to increase understanding and improvement; and
- Achieve the level of commitment needed to take actions within our own communities.

How the Dialogue Works

Daily, students will have an opportunity to go online and share their thoughts on the “Issue” and “Conversation” of the week with fellow students at their college or university as well as with students from other schools. The conversation and issue topics of the week will be submitted by professors and other expert authors and journalists. Along with the dialogue, the content in other departments on the website also provides opportunities for comment and serves as excellent resources for essays and research papers. Students will have access to all the rich content on the website once they login.

Student Instructions

- Students will log on to the USAonRace.com website and click on the Login link that is at the top of every page. Then, copy and paste your assigned username and password into the designated fields in order to login to the site. After getting logged in, go to the Dialogues and Forums link in the main menu and select National Collegiate Dialogue.
- Read the postings for the “Conversation” and “Issue” of the week, post a comment, and then post a response to one or more comments from other student participants.

In addition to assigned usernames and passwords, USAonRace.com will provide professors monthly reports on student participation, which will assist in evaluating the level and quality of participation.

Please take time to visit the [conversations](#) that occurred last semester. Meet the distinguished [advisory panel](#) and peruse the [participating colleges and universities](#). View the short video, posted in the upper right section of the National Collegiate Dialogue page, and learn more about the mission of USAonRace.com and how it is a good resource for ongoing conversations to increase understanding across race and ethnicity.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Janice Ellis directly at jellis@usaonrace.com or call at **877-931-2201**.

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