Addressing Unconscious Bias in Recruiting

It is very exciting to think that we work at the most diverse workplace in the world. However, we continue to work towards building a more inclusive workplace for everyone. One of the aspects of diversity and inclusion explicitly prioritized by Secretary-General António Guterres is the goal to reach gender parity within the UN Secretariat by 2026.

One way to drive this goal is to learn about our biases, their impact in our Organisation and how to overcome them. In support of this, OHRM is working to address unconscious bias in the recruiting process by introducing new learning modules on Unconscious Bias in the regular learning programme on Competency Based Interviewing for Panel Members. Separate Unconscious Bias briefings will be offered - the first one of which is taking place at the end of July for those who completed this programme before the introduction of this new module (please see below). Further dates and details



Lynda.com video of the month: Unconscious Bias

In this course, diversity expert Stacey Gordon helps you recognize and acknowledge your own biases so that you can identify them when making decisions, and prevent yourself from making calls based on a biased viewpoint. Stacey explains some of the most common forms that a bias takes: affinity bias, halo bias, perception bias, and confirmation bias. She helps you recognize the negative effects of bias within your organization, as well as the benefits to be realized by uncovering bias in decision-making processes. Finally, she outlines strategies for overcoming personal and organizational bias

Duration: 24 min 42 sec

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UN for All: A Story of Inter-Agency And Inter-Country Cooperation

UN Cares has developed a set of learning modules titled "UN for All: Dignity and Inclusion in our Workplace", which addresses the following themes: disability, sexual orientation and gender identity, and substance use in relation to UN workplace policies and practices.

Since their inception, these workshop modules have been delivered in diverse Duty Stations and brought together participants from diverse UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes and UN Secretariat, who were immersed in the lively interaction that each module brings. Staff felt the learning sessions launched conversations that are very much needed and timely.

In the past 3 months alone, workshops have been held in Nairobi, Quito, Kigali, Lomé, Port Morseby, Bogotá, Belize City and Santo Domingo for inter-agency participants. Within this time frame, train-the-trainer sessions have been held in Bonn, Geneva, Port of Spain and New York

with great success, thus creating a group of engaged multipliers.



Colombia: UN for All reached 200 staff in one week

For more information about these workshops, please visit the UN for All site or contact Laurie Newell or Xavier Orellana. To request the implementation of the UN for All modules in your country office please contact the UN Cares team in the country or write to info@uncares.org to find out who is the nearest facilitator that can lead the sessions.

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING AND CAREER SUPPORT IN JULY

Writing for iSeek via WebEx (LMS-2662-1)

Duration: 2 hours and one 20 minute tutoring session Friday, 7 July, 2017 9 - 11am (New York time)

Foundations of Writing for the United Nations (LMS-2585) Self-paced

Duration: 4 - 5 hours

Comprensión escrita y Gramática (LMS-2283)

Self-paced Duration: 8 hours

Comprensión oral y Vocabulario (LMS-2284) Self-paced

Duration: 8 hours

Pre-Retirement Seminar (LMS-1538) Accessible via webcast

Duration: 7 hours 45 min Friday, 14 July, 2017 9 - 4:45 pm (New York time)

Diversity (LMS- 2520)

Self-paced Duration: 4.5 hours

More information here

Conflict Resolution (LMS-2521) Self-paced

Duration: 1.5 hours More information here

Collaborative Negotiation (LMS-2522) Self-paced

Duration: 2 hours More information here

Project Management Foundations (LMS-2519)

Self-paced

Duration: 4 hours More information here **OHRM Test Development Workshop (LMS-2347)**

Duration: 8 hours Wednesday, 12 July, 2017 9 - 5 pm (New York time)

Préparer l'entretien sur compétences en français (CBI) -Partie 1 (B2) (LMS-2429)

Without tutor support/ Self-paced Duration: 4 hours

Préparation à l'EAL de français (French LPE) (LMS-1699)

Self-paced Duration: 8 - 22 hours

Format et exigences de l'épreuve d'expression écrite de l'EAL (LMS-2495)

Self-paced Duration: 1 hour

Format et exigences de l'épreuve d'expression orale de l'EAL (LMS-2500)

Self-paced

Duration: 1 hour

Russian LPE INFO (LMS-2505) Webinar and WebEX Duration: 2 hours

Thursday, 13 July, 2017 9 - 11 am (New York time) New!!! Unconscious Bias Briefing for trained CBI panel

Accessible via WebEx Duration: 1.5 hours Tuesday, 25 July, 2017 9:30 - 11am (Geneva time)

members (LMS-2679)

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Are you interested in learning Russian or improving your Russian language skills? Want to know more about Russian news & culture?



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Then join the Russian Language Programme global newsletter! We will send you regular information and updates about the online Russian language courses offered by the UN Secretariat.

To join, please e-mail Anna Dvigubski, the Russian programme coordinator, at dvigubski@un.org спасибо and happy learning!

Boost your French Writing and Speaking Skills!

Registrations are now open for two new programmes to help you improve your speaking and writing skills in French taking place in September.

- "Introducing oneself Writing (A1)" "Introducing oneself-Speaking (A1)".
- "Expressing likes and dislikes Speaking (A1)"
- "Expressing likes and dislikes- Writing (A1)"

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