The goal of Gettysburg College’s Professional Development Committee is to organize and sponsor a variety of professional development opportunities throughout the academic year for faculty and staff. The programming for the 2018-19 academic year is specifically connected to the College's mission of advancing and sustaining an organizational culture and climate that fully welcomes diversity and inclusiveness on campus.

**Museum Tours:**
The Professional Development Committee is pleased to offer a number of museum tours during the fall and spring semesters to faculty and staff. Transportation will be available to and from campus to each museum (leaving campus at 8am, returning around 5pm). Lunch will be on your own at the museum.

A Request Form (found on the HR website) must be completed to reserve your spot on the bus. Employees should receive approval from their supervisor prior to reserving their spot. Seats are reserved on a first come, first served basis. Specific details about the pick-up location will be provided a few days before the trip. Questions may be addressed to Christine Clabaugh at extension 6202.

- **Monday, October 8 – National Museum of the American Indian**
  Fourth Street & Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, DC 20560
  The National Museum of the American Indian is committed to advancing knowledge and understanding of the Native cultures of the Western Hemisphere—past, present, and future—through partnership with Native people and others. The museum works to support the continuance of culture, traditional values, and transitions in contemporary Native life.

- **Tuesday, December 11 - Holocaust Museum**
  100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW, Washington, DC 20024
  The Holocaust Memorial Museum is the United States’ official memorial to the Holocaust, providing for the documentation, study, and interpretation of Holocaust history.

Stay tuned for additional museum tours during the spring semester to the Smithsonian Latino Center and the National Museum of African American History and Culture.

*Museum Tours are sponsored by Human Resources, the Wellness Committee, Support Staff Council and the Administrative Advisory Council

**Disability Awareness Month Programming**

October 25
CUB 260 – lunch provided for workshop 1 (first come first served); refreshments provided for workshop 2

**WORKSHOP 1 (12:00 noon to 1:30 pm) “Emotional Support Animals (ESAs) on the College Campus”**
This workshop will feature a panel of presenters focusing on policies and best practices for incorporating ESAs into a residential college setting. Panelists for this workshop include Jen Cole, Associate Dean of Academic Advising; Danielle Phillips, Director of Residence Life & First-Year Programs; and Lynne Davies, Director of Disability Services at Elizabethtown College.

**WORKSHOP 2 (3:30 pm – 5:00 pm) “The Role Animals Play In Our Lives”**
Topics covered in this workshop will include the therapy roles that animals perform, the care and training of animals, as well as unique situations which involve animals who themselves have special needs. The presenter for this workshop will be Karol Kennedy, founder and owner of “BEPWSITV” and “Healing Dogs,” a training academy in Washington County, Maryland.

*Sponsored by: Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Academic Advising, Residence Life and the ADA Committee

“Let’s Explore the Disability Experience” – Cindy Wright
November 6, 2018 • 10:00 - 11:00am
Penn Hall, Lyceum

The place for an individual with a disability cannot be adequately understood until an individual explores the cultural and institutional barriers in place within our society. We all have desires for nurturing, belonging and a sense of community. Let’s start shattering myths of disability and awaken new appreciation of human diversity.

“Sufism in America: Spirituality and Islam Beyond the Headlines” – Megan Sijapati
November 13, 2018 • Noon – 1:00pm
Penn Hall, Lyceum

Muslim (Islamic) faith and practice in the United States is diverse. Come learn about one form of Muslim faith and practice, called Sufism, and about Sufi communities in Pennsylvania.