



OSSTF Toronto Professional Development February 16, 2024 Sessions to be hosted by DABRIO Team

At John Polanyi Collegiate Institute, 640 Lawrence Ave W, M6A 1B1

Session 1- 9:00 to 11:30am
Cultivating, Sustaining, Protecting and Celebrating Black Excellence
Keynote Address-
by Dr. Andrew B. Campbell (Dr. ABC)



Dr. Andrew B. Campbell (Dr. ABC) is an Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream in Leadership for Racial Justice in Education, and the Teaching and Learning Coordinator for the Master of Teaching Program at the University of Toronto. Dr. ABC is well known to the OISE community for his leadership on advancing anti-discrimination work in teacher education and received OISE's 2022 award for Excellence in Initial Teacher Education. He presently teaches courses in anti-discrimination education, leadership and diversity, educational change, urban education and Black Educators pedagogy and practice. He has presented at numerous conferences and has delivered many presentations as a keynote speaker, motivational speaker and workshop facilitator. He loves people, food, fashion, travelling and bringing his community together for a good meal.

Cultivating, Sustaining, Protecting and Celebrating Black Excellence

Stories of Black Excellence are still playing in "limited Edition." We have so many stories from deficit lens that whenever we tell stories from asset-based or strength-based narratives, it comes as a surprise in those spaces. Though resisted, suppressed, excluded, ignored, suffocated, and maligned in many spaces, Black Excellence has continually resisted and flourished – often like a plant growing in concrete. In this presentation I examine the need to acknowledge, honour, establish and preserve Black excellence within our self and spaces we occupy. The role of community and organizations in sustaining and protecting Black excellence will also be examined. Throughout the presentation a brave conversation about the barriers within the workplace and ways we must work intentionally to eradicate anti-Black racism and foster inclusion, access, and growth will also be fostered.

Session 2- 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Dismantling Anti-Black Racism and Intersectional Oppression
Panel Discussion-
Panelists-OSSTF Toronto DABRIO team

Addressing the nature of the "work" to dismantle Anti-Black Racism and intersectional Oppression in OSSTF Toronto, the need for self care and wellness, empowering/involving racialized members, building allyship and solidarity

Register at OSSTF Toronto, EVENTS, February 16, PD (Not yet Open, Keep checking!!)

Lunch will be provided, make your choice and state dietary restrictions when registering