



### Speak Out on Resiliency Fest

#### Showcasing creative reflection by MDC students

Wednesday, December 6, noon – 2:00 PM in IAC room #3103

Resiliency is measure of how a living thing or system may recover from some disturbance or harm. In relation to environmental sustainability, the more resilient a system, the more sustainable. It is also true that there is a positive correlation between resiliency and diversity: the more diverse a system the more resilient it is. This is so for all systems, natural, economic, or otherwise. Diversity is the key to a resilient—and so sustainable—society.

The Speak Out on Resiliency Fest at MDC InterAmerican Campus offers students the opportunity to express their thoughts and feelings on resiliency as it relates to global sustainability. The four pillars of sustainability—people, plant, profit, and culture—will offer a framework for topics. Social issues such as hunger and poverty, environmental issues such climate change, economic issues such as the decoupling of economic growth from carbon emissions, and cultural issues such as those related to diversity are all fair game.

Students will be able to use creative self-expression to “speak out” on topics such as those above. Creative platforms include, but are not limited to, videos, painting, poetry, music, photography, or other means of reflection. Basically, students pick a specific topic related to resiliency, and express themselves or reflect on that topic in a creative way.

On December 6, 2017 from noon through 2:00 PM in InterAmerican room #3103 the Speak Out on Resiliency Fest takes place, showcasing the student’s work. All Miami Dade College students are invited to participate.

The Speak Out on Resiliency Fest is in support of Earth Ethics Institute’s Global Sustainability and Earth Literacy Studies (GSELS) effort as well as the Vulnerability and Resilience in a Fauxtraversy Age faculty learning community at InterAmerican Campus.

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