BELLEVUE COLLEGE

# **UMOJA Scholars Program**

#### Umoja is a Kiswahili word meaning: Unity.

The UMOJA Scholars Program at Bellevue College is being built in partnership with the UMOJA National Consortium to provide a supportive learning community, as well as critical resources dedicated to enhancing the cultural and educational experiences of Black, African American, and other students.

#### We believe...

that when the voices and histories of students are deliberately and intentionally recognized and honored, the opportunity for self-efficacy emerges and a foundation is formed for academic success. The Bellevue College UMOJA Scholars Program actively supports and promotes student success through ethnocentric curriculum and pedagogy responsive to the legacy of the African, and African American Diasporas and experiences.

## The UMOJA Scholars Program at Bellevue College provides culturally relevant:

- College entry knowledge and support
- Coaching with financial aid application process
- Dedicated academic advising to create an academic road map to achieve your goals
- Dedicated instructors with culturally relevant teaching practices
- Access to mental health counseling (African American Counselor)
- Dedicated tutoring from faculty and peers
- Intentional connections to campus and community resources
- Assistance with university transfer process

### Bellevue College will adopt the 18 UMOJA core practices to support student success.

Raising Intentional & DeliberateEthic of Love—the Affective DomainManifestingUmoja Counseling: Affirming, Integrated, IntentionalThe PorchLive LearningLanguage as PowerTapping African American Intellectual, Spiritual,and Artistic VoicesAwareness of Connectedness to African DiasporaCommunity-buildingCommunal IntelligenceAcceleration—English, Math, ESL, and CounselingOccupy StudySpaces on CampusMentoringMatteringUMOJA as Power BaseEncircling DiversityGiftingEverybody's BusinessEncircling Diversity

LEARN MORE: umojacommunity.org/umoja-practices



#### **Did you know?**

There are 68 Colleges conducting UMOJA programs in California. However, **Bellevue College is the 2nd Washington state college** adopting and implementing the UMOJA Scholars Program as part of the North West Region.

We are proud and honored to serve you.

LEARN MORE ABOUT UMOJA AT BELLEVUE COLLEGE: bellevuecollege.edu/mcs/

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