Social Issues Conference
First Annual Conference 1988

1984-1985, Social Issues Committee Formed
Chair: Dr. Dennis Briscoe, School of Business

1985-1986, Cross Campus Peace Curriculum...
The Experience of Peace: Analysis and Action.
Chair: Dr. Joan Anderson, School of Business

1986-1987, Bridging the Pacific: Southwestern USA, UN and Pacific Rim Nations
In Pursuit of Economic Justice.
Major Speaker: Abbie Hoffman
Chair: Dr. Joan Anderson, School of Business

1987-1988, First Social Issues Conference
The Experience of Freedom in America: Dream & Reality
Major Speaker: Maya Angelou
Chair: Dr. Dennis Briscoe, School of Business

1988-1989, Social Issues Conference
The Experience of Freedom in America: Dream and Reality
Major Speakers: Coretta Scott King and Stephen Lewis
Chair: Dr. Cynthia Caywood, English Literature
1989/1990, Growing up in Poverty
Issues of Poverty
Major Speaker: Jonathan Kozol
Chair: Dr. Kathleen Dugan, Theology and Religious Studies

1990/1991, Diversity in the Workplaces
Valuing Diversity
Major Speaker: William Jones
Chair: Dr. Rodney Peffer, Philosophy

1991/1992, War on the Homefront
Toward a Common Future: Issues of War, Peace & Justice
Major Speaker: George Takei
Chair: Dr. Katie Bishop, School of Education

Toward a Common Future: Preserving the Natural and Human Environment
Major Speaker: Jeremy Rifkin
Chair: Dr. Bethami Dobkin, Communication Studies

1993/1994, The Bridges and Barriers of Immigration
Human Dignity: Bridges and Barriers
Major Speakers: Edward James Olmos and Sen. Alan Simpson
Chair: Dr. Bethami Dobkin, Communication Studies

1994/1995, Vietnam Conference: Bridging the Gap Between the Old & the New
Communities in Flux: Awareness, Loyalties & Responsibilities
Major Speaker: Victor Villasenor
Chair: Dr. John Halaka, Fine Arts

1995/1996, Voices of Diversity
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Major Speakers: Ronald Takaki and Elizabeth Martinez
Chair: Dr. Gene Labovitz, Sociology
1996-1997, *Awareness, Advocacy & Action: Bridging our Identities*
Major Speakers: Toney Anaya and Nadimme Cruz
Chair: Dr. Mary Abascal-Hildebrand, School of Education

1997-1998, *Rethinking American Identities*
Major Speaker: Juan Perea
Chair: Dr. Evelyn Kirkley, Theological & Religious Studies

Major Speaker: Morris Dees
Chair: Dr. Evelyn Kirkley, Theological & Religious Studies

1999-2000, *Challenging Injustice with Peaceful Solutions*
Major Speaker: Arun Gandhi
Chair: Dr. Kathleen Dugan, Theological & Religious Studies

2000-2001, *Practicing Peace and Justice/ Practicando La Paz y la Justicia*
Major Speakers: Cornel West and Joyce Neu
Chair: Susan Brizziarelli, Foreign Languages

2001-2002, *Practicing Peace and Justice/ Practicando La Paz y la Justicia*
Major Speaker: Winona LaDuke
Chair: Dr. Rafik Mohammed, Sociology

2002-2003, *Freedom in America? War, Peace & Justice*
Major Speakers: Howard Zinn and Fr. Roy Bourgeois
Chair: Cheryl Getz, School of Education
Freedom in America? War, Peace & Justice.
Major Speakers: Sherman Alexie and Nadine Strossen
Chair: Ms. Pam Gray, Public Relations

Rethinking Democracy: Power, Peace & Equality
Major Speakers: Sr. Helen Prejean and Fr. John Dear
Chair: Dr. Kevin Guerreri, Foreign Languages & Literatures

Walking Together: Paths to Peace, Justice & Global Solidarity
Major Speaker: Dr. Yen Le Espiritu
Chair: Dr. Kevin Guerreri, Foreign Languages & Literatures

Walking Together in Peace.
Major Speakers: Thich Nhat Hanh and Dr. Andrea Smith
Chair: Sr. Barbara Quinn, Center for Christian Spirituality

Inspiring Social Change Through Education.
Major Speakers: Dr. Tony Campolo
Chair: Dr. Cheryl Getz, School of Leadership & Education Sciences