

Joshua Dodds, M. Ed.

Speaker's Bio

With issues of racial justice, equity, and anti-racism on the rise, Joshua Dodds is a timely voice, speaking truth and cultivating essential conversations to empower others to embrace understanding and active engagement as a means to creating change.

Joshua Dodds is an experienced Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Professional who is committed to supporting faculty, staff and students in exercising inclusive teaching and learning in the pursuit of education. With a clear pulse on issues of equity and racial justice and best practices for cultivating a welcoming and cohesive campus culture, he specializes in providing guidance in shaping and shifting the culture of educational and community spaces.

Josh holds a Masters of Higher Education Administration from Northeastern University in Boston, MA and a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, in Amherst, MA. His national memberships include designation as a Leadership Fellows Diversity Mentor with the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA), the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), and the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education (NADOHE).

Josh is experienced in facilitating small group working sessions, participating as a guest for podcast, panels or video features, and speaking to larger audiences for conferences and other events. His breadth of expertise includes developing and creating diversity initiatives for college campuses, presenting local workshops as well as at regional and national conferences centered on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and teaching college level courses in the field. Engaging, thought-provoking and inspirational, Josh's keynotes are designed to help people examine the social, psychological and institutional implications of race and culture as dynamic forces influencing society and human service delivery.

Josh employs storytelling and researched-based truth-telling to provide his audience a theoretical overview of race and racism, historical and current manifestations of racism, racial identity formation, fundamentals of cultural competence and effective strategies for promoting anti-racism and anti-oppressive practice critical to educational and societal growth. His goal is to challenge peoples' assumptions about bias, prejudice, and difference, and increase their ability to approach cultural understanding and the promotion of social justice.

Signature Speaking Topics:

Good Allyship
Issues of Race, Diversity, & Oppression
Anti-Racism & Anti-Oppression
Navigating Implicit Bias
Social Justice Education
Racial Justice
Racial Identity Formation
Race, Equity, and Justice in Higher Education
Cultivating Campus Culture
Diversity, Inclusion, and Student Life

Recent Speaking Features:

February 2019 – National Association of Campus Activities (NACA), Columbus, OH
Topic: *Race in America: How it affects Student Life*

Nov. 2019 – National Student Leadership Diversity Convention (NSLDC), New York, NY
Topic: *Race & Identity in America: How it affects Student Life*

February 2020 – National Association of Campus Activities (NACA), Denver, CO
Topic: *You've Got A Supervisor in Me: A Guide on Peer-to-Peer Supervision*

June 2020 – Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.: Juneteenth Celebration, *Featured Presenter*.
Topic: *Juneteenth 101*

October 2020 – National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) Virtual Conference
Topic: *Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion: How to Ally*

October 2020 – Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.: Zeta Week! *Virtual Keynote*.
Topic: *Social Talk – The State of Black America in Current Times*

November 2020 – [1 Day University: Social Justice with A.C.E. Martha's Vineyard](#)
Topic: *Issues of Race, Diversity, and Oppression*

Booking Details:

Contact Information: Please send an email to jdoddsneu@gmail.com.

Speaking Fee: \$3,000 – 5,000

Speaking Categories: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Higher Education, Race & Oppression, Power of Representation, Advocacy & Racial Justice, Student Engagement, Affinity/Advocacy Groups, Identity