Power of Civic Engagement
Schedule

9:00-10:00 - Registration and Tabling – Miller Hall Collaborative Space

10:00-10:45 – Keynote Address: Pramila Jayapal, “Making a Difference through Civic Engagement”

11:00-12:15 - PANEL SESSION I.

Panel 1a: Public Policy Advocacy
Moderator, Todd Donovan, Whatcom County Councilman, Professor of Political Science, Western Washington University
Panelists
Paul Guppy, Vice President for Research, Washington Policy Center
Stoney Bird, Green Party, Whatcom County
Catherine Chambers, Democratic Party, Whatcom County
Libertarian Party, representative TBA

Panel 1b: Media: Telling the Story, or Changing the World
Moderator, Julia Clifford, Bellingham filmmaker
Panelists
Keith Boyd, Microsoft Manager, former Western Associated Students President, former station manager, KUGS radio
Stephanie Kountourous, station manager, KVWV-FM, community radio station, Bellingham, Washington
John Cervais, blogger, Northwest Citizen, Bellingham
John Stark, former reporter, Bellingham Herald
Brian Bowe, Assistant Professor of Journalism, Western Washington University

12:15-1:15 – Lunch Break: Food available in the Viking Union Market and Zoe’s in Wilson Library

12:30-1:30 – FILM SHOWING
Children of the Civil Rights, Story of the sit-in movement in Oklahoma City in the 1950s (precursor to Greensboro), with introduction from the filmmaker, Julia Clifford, of Bellingham.

1:15-2:30 - PANEL SESSION II.

Panel 2a: -Racial Justice I: Native Americans, Asian Americans and Law Enforcement
Moderator: Cindy Domingo, Chief of Staff to Larry Gossett, Metropolitan King County Council
Panelists
John McCoy, Tulalip Nation elder, Washington State Senator
Bernie Thomas, Lummi Nation elder,
Sili Savusa, Executive Director, White Center Community Development Association
Panel 2b: Pathways to Global Citizenship
Moderator, Kristen Parris, Associate Professor of Political Science, Western Washington University
Panelists
Baozhen Luo, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Western Washington University, Faculty-Led Study Abroad in China
Meredith Pugh, Instructor of English, Language and Culture in Barcelona, Faculty-Led Study Abroad
Jill MacIntire-Witt, Instructor in PEHR, WWU Peace Corps Representative
Representative, Bellingham Sister Cities

2:45-4:00 - PANEL SESSION III.
Panel 3a. Racial Justice II – Black/Brown Lives and Law Enforcement
Moderator, Christopher Towler, Assistant Professor of Political Science and American Cultural Studies
Panelists
Kim Harris, Racial Justice Coalition, Bellingham, Washington
Marissa Harris, Black Lives Matter, Seattle, Washington
Rosalinda Guillen, Community to Community Development, Bellingham, Washington

Panel 3b. Sustainability: A Humanistic Perspective
Moderator, Seth Fleetwood, former city and county councilman, environmental activist
Panelists
Freddy Lane, Lummi Nation Elder
Seth Vidana, WWU Office of Sustainability
Marc Peterson, Sustainable Connections Representatives, Associated Students, Environmental Center

4:15-5:30 CAN WE TALK MORE?
Open forum with panelists on Race and Law Enforcement