

Reflecting on the Sit-In of May 2018

This Building Bridges and Community Day sharing forum will give student, faculty and staff participants the opportunity to take part in a focus group related to their personal experiences of the events surrounding the Old Centre sit-in of May 2018. Students in a Public History class who are collaborating with the library to build a collection of materials related to the sit-in will facilitate three ten-person focus groups. Dr. Patrick will provide an overview and guidelines for the discussions before the larger group splits into three smaller cohorts led by a pair of students. Each focus group will be recorded and placed in the new collection to be deposited in the library for future research. The goals for the event are twofold: first to provide a space to share experiences and perspectives in order to encourage civil dialogue and second to capture these voices while they are still on campus.

Facilitators:

Dr. Andrew Patrick

Abby Skinner

Austin Mitchell

Kate Himick

Amber Edwards

Jonathan Gambrel

Length:

1 hour

Space requirement: ideally one classroom plus two smaller spaces for the 10-person focus groups since we'll need the participants to be sitting near the recording device. I can check out the recording tech from the CTL.