



*It is my personal mission in life to create opportunities for people to touch God, encounter difference, and be radically changed and empowered by the realization of their holistic identity.*

*I align my personal mission with our Xavier mission through my work in diversity and inclusion. As a race scholar and intellectual activist, I help students discover, challenge and transform their understandings of race so that they can see difference as value and not deficiency. Finding God in others is a life-long challenge and much like butterflies, we go through cycles of growth, periods of isolation, and migration as we come into the beauty of who we fully are. AFMIX has empowered me to deepen my understanding of that beauty and to find small, quiet ways to share that with the Xavier Community.*



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