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Purpose
To interact with other CMI Family participants as we engage in conversations of ways to maximize time here at Columbia from upperclassmen from various family trees over dinner.

Panelists
- Omar Abboud, Arab & Middle Eastern Family Tree
- Megan Baker, Indigenous Student
- Andrea Bonilla, Latino Family Tree
- Sara Chase, Indigenous Family Tree Chair
- Mycheal Crafton, Black Family Tree
- Michael Fraynd, International Family Tree Chair
- Matt Kim, Asian Family Tree
- Caitlin Lowell, LGBT Family Tree Co-Chair
- Jerry Sun, Asian Family Tree
Panelist Bios

Omar Abboud
Omar Abboud is a sophomore at the Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science as a declared Operations Research major in the IEOR department. His academic background is in mathematical and physical sciences and he has tried throughout his past semesters at Columbia to expose himself through internships to the different applications of OR, ranging from finance to technology and manufacturing. In the summer at 2012, he worked in Business Development at a startup in Toronto being run by 4 people out of a dorm room at the University of Toronto. Since then they have grown to 13 full time employees and recently secured 2 million in seed funding from investors. This past summer he complemented that experience with an internship at Canada's largest insurance company, Manulife Financial, where he worked on a new project in the Investments Division. He hopes to engage with new and interesting fields in applied science this upcoming summer in hopes of getting closer to deciding his long term career goals.

Megan Baker
Megan Baker is a senior in the Columbia College and is pursuing a BA in East Asian Languages and Cultures (ELAC).

Andrea Bonilla amb2335@columbia.edu
Andrea Bonilla is from Fremont, California (the Bay Area) and for the past two summers has interned at Kaiser Permanente, the largest health care organization in USA, as a health IT intern. Andrea is a third year student in Columbia College majoring in Statistics.

Sara Chase
Sara Chase is majoring in the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race on the Indigenous Studies track as well as concentrating in Linguistics. She has interned with DoCip at the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, was a Student Ambassador at the National Museum of the American Indian and worked as a Program Intern at the Shinnecock Cultural Preservation Center. She has also done research under the Columbia Undergraduate Summer Enhancement Fellowship.

Mycheal Crafton mac2328@columbia.edu
Mychel Crafton is originally from the beautiful island of St. Lucia and spent two years of high school in Brooklyn before coming to Columbia to pursue Civil Engineering with a Architecture minor at Columbia Engineering - Class of 2014. After obtaining my degree, I aim to establish a career in the transportation industry, and utilize that as a base for my goals in the development and restoration of under-served communities. He has interned with I interned at CH2M Hill this past summer. Mycheal’s interest lie in mentorship as he believes it is essential to the continuous positive development of our communities and would love to get to know his peers better and meeting new people.

Michael Fraynd mif2114@columbia.edu
Michael is currently a senior in Columbia's School of Engineering and Applied Science. He has been involved in the business and financial services world throughout his time at Columbia, having interned in 3 different countries during his time at school. He is also the International Family Tree Chair.
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Matt Kim mjk2189@columbia.edu
Matt is a junior in Columbia College majoring in computer science. This past summer, he worked for Facebook as an engineering intern and will work for Google this summer.

Caitlin Lowell
Caitlin is a co-chair of the LGBT Family Tree.

Jerry Sun js4016@columbia.edu
Jerry is a junior in SEAS majoring in financial engineering. He has worked for Societe Generale as a summer analyst. He is interested in continuing to pursue the banking industry.