



## Productive Summer

Make the most of summer by setting achievable goals like learning new skills or starting a project. By setting achievable goals and creating a plan to reach them, you can ensure that you make the most of your time this summer. Stay productive but remember to relax and enjoy the sunshine. So, whether you're at home or in Colorado, make this summer one to remember by staying motivated and making the most of every opportunity that comes your way.

## Denver Pride Fest

Pride month is celebrated every June to honor the LGBTQ community and commemorate the Stonewall Riots that took place in June 1969, sparking the modern LGBTQ rights movement.

Join members & allies of the LGBTQ community for Denver Pride Fest for the ultimate celebration of love, diversity, and equality from Saturday, June 22, 11:00 am – 7:00 pm & Sunday, June 23, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm at the at Civic Center Park.



## Freedom Day

The moniker "Freedom Day" was bestowed upon Juneteenth as it symbolizes the liberation and the celebration of freedom for those who had been oppressed for so long. It serves as a reminder of the struggles and sacrifices made by African Americans throughout history in the fight for equality and justice. Juneteenth is a day of reflection, education, and celebration, highlighting the resilience and spirit of the African American community; a testament to the ongoing journey towards true freedom, equality, and unity for all.



## Monthly Motivation

**“To be yourself is truly a revolutionary act. And I think more and more people should try it, because it’s gotten me a pretty cool life.”**

– Lena Waithe

## Dates & Reminders

- **Summer Classes Begin- 10th**
- **Last Day to Self-Register for Summer 2024 Full-Semester Courses- 13th**
- **Juneteenth (campus closed)- 19th**
- **Denver Pride Fest- 22nd-23rd**



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## Culture Dive: Juneteenth's Significance & Emancipation Worldwide

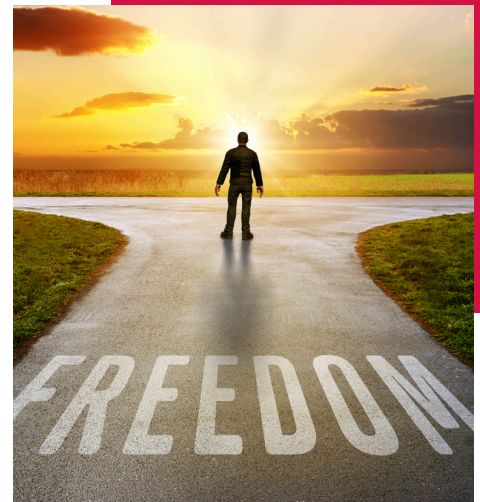
Juneteenth is an American holiday that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans on June 19, 1865. This date marks the day when Union General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas and announced the end of slavery in accordance with President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, which had actually been issued two and a half years earlier.

Juneteenth has inspired other countries to reflect on their own histories of slavery and discrimination. In countries with similar histories, such as in the Caribbean and parts of Africa, Juneteenth has influenced the way they commemorate their own emancipation days and liberation movements. Conversely, the concept of Emancipation Days, which are celebrated in various countries around the world, has influenced the way Juneteenth is recognized and celebrated in the US.

### Emancipation Day- International

The importance of emancipation is not limited to the United States; its impact reverberates around the world. The abolition of slavery in the United States set a powerful example for other countries and inspired movements for freedom and equality globally. Emancipation serves as a symbol of liberation and human rights, influencing movements against slavery and oppression in various nations throughout history. The legacy of emancipation continues to inspire individuals and communities worldwide to strive for justice and equality for all.

Many countries celebrate their emancipation or independence with various traditions and customs. In Jamaica, Emancipation Day is celebrated on August 1st, marking the day when slavery was abolished in the British colonies. In South Africa, Freedom Day is celebrated on April 27th, commemorating the first democratic elections held in the country after the end of apartheid. Overall, these celebrations typically include ceremonies, parades, cultural performances, and other events to honor the struggles and victories of those who fought for freedom and equality.



### Positions Available to You

#### SAS- Front Desk Staff- \$18.29 hr

Front Desk Staff at Student Academic Services assist students, faculty, and parents via various communication channels and check students in/out. They aim to hire diverse student workers representing MSU Denver's community, including BIPOC, LGBTQ+, neurodiverse, students with disabilities, and non-traditional students.

To find this position, go to your student hub, scroll to web services and click "Workday".