

Social Equality and Human Diversity



There are not any two people that are equal in all aspects. This is due to the key fact that the human species reproduces sexually; where, the offspring inherits genes from both the mother and the father; so, the offspring will be different from the parents enabling evolutionary advancement of the human species. Because of this diversity, physical and mental attributes vary among human beings.

Societies enable humans to make use of the large number of different skills they can obtain from a group of people that cannot be obtained from an individual. This cooperative action of diverse human beings is what has enabled the prominence of humans over other species.

Success of a society occurs when people work using their best skills in a complementary manner for the benefit of all. What role a person plays in a society should be based on merit; so, the best of everyone's skills may be of benefit to the society. However, there are politicians who believe that they should decide what roles people should play in society.

In society today, most nurses are female and most mechanics are male. This is mostly due to the difference in physical attributes between the sexes and people being allowed to work using the best of their abilities. However, there are politicians who believe there should be an equal number of male and female nurses and an equal number of female and male mechanics; so, they enact government programs to try and put the same number of women and men in all occupations. These are the same politicians who say they support diversity of the people while they claim there are not any differences between men and women. It is evident that these politicians do not have an understanding of social equality.

Social equality is where all the people of a society are treated equally by the rules of their society. This is stated in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as "Every individual is equal before and under the law..."; in other words, all laws must be equally applicable to every individual. All laws that favour some people over others are not legitimate and should be repealed. Even the Great Charter (Magna Carta), on which our system of government is based, declares that no one is above the law, not even the Monarch. Therefore, there should never be special rights or privileges given to anyone if social equality is to be attained.

Human societies benefit from the diversity of the human species; however, they only succeed when all members of a society are treated equally with the same laws and no one is above the law. <