Black Graduate Student Organization (BGSO)

Mission: The Black Graduate Student Organization’s mission is to promote unity through purposeful fellowship; to provide mentoring and other academic, professional and social support; to enhance the knowledge and scholarly advancement of current and incoming undergraduate students, graduate students and other members of the University of Missouri-Kansas City community of the African diaspora; and to offer a nurturing environment where the systemic structure and processes relevant to the experience of Black graduate students are critically discussed.

Membership: Dues for active members is $15 for the year and need to be paid to Alyssa Joiner by Friday, November 21, 2014

Executive Board:

1. Rashida Edmondson – President (Counseling Psychology – School of Education)
2. Alyssa Joiner – Vice President (Counseling Psychology – School of Education)
3. Linda Adeniji – Secretary (Juris Doctor Program – School of Law)
4. Shavern Browne – Treasurer (Counseling Psychology – School of Education)
5. Breezie Davidson – Parliamentarian (Counseling & Guidance – School of Education)
6. Jerad Green – Historian (Higher Education Administration – School of Education)
7. Dr. Veronica Tagoe-Wilson – Advisor (Teaching Professor in Black Studies)

Meeting Times:

1. General Body Meetings are held every 3rd Friday of each month in Education Building Room 10 at 5:30 pm
2. Executive Board Meetings are one week prior to General Body Meetings

What we do:

1. Social Events and Gatherings
2. Cosponsor with different offices and organizations on campus

Fall 2014 BGSO Events:

1. General Body Meeting: September 19th, 2014 at 5:30pm
2. General Body Meeting: October 24th, 2014 at 5:30pm
3. BGSO Social Hour at Chuy’s: Friday, October 31st, 2014 5:30pm
4. Open Executive Board Meeting: Friday, November 14th, 2014 at 5:30pm—SOE 211
5. Thanksgiving Dinner/Meeting: Friday, November 21, 2014 at 5:00 – 7:00 pm – Peachtree Buffet
Contact Us:

1. Facebook: Search UMKC Black Graduate Student Organization
2. Twitter: @UMKC_BGSO
3. Website: http://umkcbgso.wix.com/umkcbgso
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