Dear Graduate Students of Color, Welcome to the 2019-2020 academic year at the University of Michigan! We hope your semester has had a pleasant start. Students of Color of Rackham (SCOR) has been advocating for and supporting the academic and professional development of students of color since 1970. Since then, SCOR has been dedicated to the social, cultural, political, and academic well-being of students of color representing diverse cultures, ethnicities, and international origins. We work to improve the quality of students’ academic, professional, and social lives respectful of differences in culture, ability, religion, gender, and sexual orientation.

Following in this tradition, we have many exciting plans for this year and we hope that you will join us at one of our many events centered around building community, scholar activism, and promoting an equitable and inclusive campus climate. In addition, we have several new initiatives centered around community outreach, coalition building, and developing student leadership. We look forward to continuing our commitment to honoring SCOR’s rich history while building on it to adapt to the current socio-political climate on and beyond campus. Whether you are a new or returning graduate student, we sincerely hope that we have your engagement and support as we seek to forge a new path this year and look forward to learning and growing with you. This year’s executive board is committed to servant leadership, collective impact, and liberatory joy. The SCOR Community invites you to partner with us! We are excited to grow as an organization, and we need your input and creativity to do so.

Sincerely yours,

SCOR Executive Board

Shanice Battle, President
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Lewis Miles, Social Media And Website Chair
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SCOR First Year Representatives

Are you a first-year graduate student seeking an introduction into the work of SCOR?

If so, we’ve got you covered! This year, SCOR is introducing a new position that will allow for an in-depth look at the functions of our Executive Board. As a First Year Representative, you will have the flexibility to attend meetings when you can and work on projects only if your schedule allows. In addition, you get to represent the perspective of all first year Rackham students as we plan our events and initiatives throughout the school year.

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Want to learn more? Email us at SCOR-eboard@umich.edu and we’ll be in touch!
Martin Luther King Jr. was a college-educated, Southern, Baptist advocate, while Malcolm X was a self-taught, Northern, Muslim activist. Malcolm and Martin were as different as could be on paper, but both dedicated their lives to the Civil Rights Movement, the major societal issue of their time. Tackling this issue from different angles, the two found themselves forming a profound partnership to move US society toward equality and justices. How can we forge such powerful ties in our modern context to continue to push US society to epitomize its ideals?
Dil Se: Mental Health Organization

Our names are Sania, Joeita and Sai, and we are the founding directors for our new mental health organization, Dil Se! The three of us wanted to create a space that is open and supportive in talking about the mental health stigma within the South Asian Community. Our hope is that through open dialogue, guest speakers, and workshops we can create a more authentic campus that brings the community together on the importance of mental health and wellness. We want to open this space to anyone and everyone who wants to get this conversation started and remove the stigma imbedded in the community. Through dialogue, panel events, volunteer opportunities, etc. we plan on tackling this issue through holistic wellness approach that will create a brave space for everyone. We want to emphasize that our organization is open to all identities regardless of race, gender, sexuality, ability, SES, etc. For more information and how to get involved contact dilse-core@umich.edu.

First South Asian Mental Health Org @ Umich

Our mission is to provide a collaborative brave space for those challenged with or who want to be educated on Mental Health. Dil Se is focused on supporting the South Asian community, but welcomes those of other intersecting identities,

Join our team!
https://forms.gle/WMW1GEWNBMRJEvGk6
Stuent Life Graduate Services

Confused about student services? Wondering what leadership opportunities are out there? Eager to connect with grad students in other programs?

Student Life is developing a website expressly for graduate students and they’d need focus group participants. The focus group will explore what information would be useful for new and returning graduate students. It will be held at the Michigan League and will take about an hour. As a thank you, each participant will walk away with $10 in Blue Bucks and the chance to win a $25 gift card from Barnes and Noble. If you are interested, please let them know when you are available:

https://doodle.com/poll/k2m7wirwrtie4m5b
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