

Diversity at a Glance

GMS Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility

Graduate Medical Sciences believes that an enriching educational experience is strengthened by **diversity of thought**, which in turn **drives the force of innovation**. We embrace differences in ethnicity, race, gender identity and expression, disability status, religion, sexual orientation, immigration status and socioeconomic backgrounds in our learning community.

DEIA Outreach Programming

GMS has been expressly committed to recruiting students from underrepresented groups (URG) in the biomedical sciences. A number of career exploration programs are designed to engage students at a point in their professional development that could enable participation in a wide range of workforce opportunities centered around graduate education and leadership.

Broadening Experience in Scientific Training - Beginning Enhancement Training (BEST BET):
A grant-based initiative to engage students from URGs and other disadvantaged groups in exploring career opportunities in STEM beyond medicine with career panels and laboratory site visits.

Post-baccalaureate Research Education Program (BU PREP):
A year-long, NIH-funded program for recent bachelor's degree recipients seeking entry into PhD training programs. The program aims to provide an environment that enhances personal and scientific development for students from URGs.

Summer Training as Research Scholars (STaRS):
An NIH-funded, dynamic program providing a rigorous, ten-week summer internship for students from underrepresented groups who are academically talented and aspire to pursue graduate education in the biomedical sciences.



GMS Community Catalyst Center



Our **Community Catalyst Center (C3)** opened its doors in August 2021 with the goal of fostering holistic success for the diverse GMS student community. C3 helps students acclimate to Boston and the Medical Campus and adjust to the advancing academics of graduate school while gaining a sense of belonging early in the programs at GMS. This center welcomes all GMS students, including **international, first-generation college graduates, students of color, LGBTQIA+, veterans and military-affiliated students**. C3 develops community among peers across GMS programs by providing resources, events, and workshops that support and help students thrive.

Student-Led Programming

GMS supports its community with many **student-led initiatives** which contribute to our programs' diversity and inclusion. Learn more about student programming by scanning below.

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