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June 1st, 2020

Like so many students, we have felt pain, frustration, and anger in the wake of the senseless murders of D'Andre Campbell, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, George Floyd and many more. These events are not unique to the U.S., Toronto, or any specific location or recent incident. Racism continues to oppress students at Queen's, and those in the BIPOC community around the world. We stand in solidarity with the BIPOC community in the ongoing fight against racism, and the continuing struggle for justice.

We commit ourselves at ASUS to anti-racism work in the weeks, months, year ahead and beyond, as we aim towards justice and dismantling systemic racism in all its forms from our campus and community. We call upon the Queen's Faculty of Arts and Science, the University Administration, and other student governments to stand alongside the countless BIPOC activists and leaders to ignite change, to create a truly inclusive and welcoming campus.

The Arts and Science community must do more. That starts with us. Please see the attached list of resources for a start on how we can work together towards the goal of justice in eradicating racism from our communities. Much more work lies ahead.

To our BIPOC friends, peers, family, and community, we see you, we hear you, and we stand with you.

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Resources for BIPOC Students:

For Support:

PSC x CARED Initiative | http://amspeersupport.com/

Therapy for Black Men | therapyforblackmen.org

Therapy for Black Girls | therapyforblackgirls.com

Melanin & Mental Health | melaninandmentalhealth.com

Good2Talk: 1-866-925-5454 | https://good2talk.ca/

Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868 | https://kidshelpphone.ca/

Empower Me: 1-844-741-6389 | https://www.gueensu.ca/studentwellness/empower-me

BlackLine: https://www.callblackline.com

Black Health Alliance: | http://blackhealthalliance.ca/

For Community - Queen's & Kingston Organizations:

Queen's Black Academic Society: https://www.facebook.com/QueensBlackAcademicSociety/| https://gbasqueensu.wordpress.com/?fbclid=IwAR1Xj4_Ea3i5SopM1QXbF9SlCi_GB4_Z

African Caribbean Students' Association: https://www.facebook.com/ACSAQueensU

Queen's Black Premedical Association: https://queensbpa.com/

Committee Against Racial & Ethnic Discrimination (CARED):

https://www.facebook.com/QueensCared/

Levana Gender Advocacy Centre: https://levanagenderadvocacycentre.com/

Black Luck Collective: https://www.facebook.com/Blackluckcollective/

OPIRG Kingston: https://www.facebook.com/OpirgKingston/

Organizations and Donations Pages

GoFundMe for Regis Korchinski Paquet: https://www.gofundme.com/f/justice-for-regis?utm_source =customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=m_pd+share-sheet

Official George Floyd Memorial Fund: https://www.gofundme.com/f/georgefloyd

Black Lives Matter Toronto: https://blacklivesmatter.ca/donate/

Black Visions Collective: https://www.blackvisionsmn.org/

Reclaim the Block: reclaimtheblock.org

NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund: naacpldf.org

Black Lives Matter: https://blacklivesmatter.com/

Toronto Protestor Bail Fund: https://www.gofundme.com/f/toronto-protestor-bail-fund?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=p_cp%20share-sheet&fbclid=lwAR3O-klCf1q1buTYD26KFTKZUE5PB8qN8W7cHjLmSbWx_XFpBLQvZcuB9fQ

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RESOURCES FOR NON-BIPOC STUDENTS:

Reading:

Frances E. Kendall "How to Be an Ally if You Are a Person with Privilege" |

http://www.scn.org/friends/ally.html

Rachel Cargle: "Do the Work" |

https://linktr.ee/1thatgotawayy

Queen's Black Academic Society's Resources on Black History and Activism:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0Bz011IF2PugTUWIxVWxybGJ1Ync

BLM Healing Action Toolkit

https://blacklivesmatter.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/BLM_HealingAction_r1.pdf

Ta-Nehisi Coates: "The Case for Reparations." |

https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/

Videos:

Amanda Kemp: "How to Have a Voice and Lean into Conversations on Race"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IF--2vGj7Tg

Ta-Nehisi Coates: "The Enduring Myth of Black Criminality" |

https://www.theatlantic.com/video/index/404674/enduring-myth-of-black-criminality/

Nikole Hannah Jones. "1619" |

https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/23/podcasts/1619-podcast.html

Committee Against Racial & Ethnic Discrimination (CARED):

https://www.facebook.com/QueensCared/

NPR. "Code Switch":

https://www.npr.org/podcasts/510312/codeswitch