

BLACKMENUNITED

Mission of the Organization

Since being founded in 1998, Black Men United has become an organization of prestigious magnitude in propelling young minds to reach a level of exceptional-ity through unification. Black Men United relies on its core values of promoting love, unity, and brotherhood in order to maintain its immaculate image as being a prominent organization on the campus of Texas State University. As an organization it is our mission to strive for greatness while thriving in brotherhood.

Events/Programs

- Campus Mentoring for incoming freshmen
- Monthly fellowshiping activities (basketball, football, etc.)
- Women's Appreciations
- Annual Community BBQ's
- Coordinators for the AMC/AALC Leadership Conferences
- Student study breaks during final exams
- Trio Bowl Workshop participants for high school students
- Upward Bound volunteers
- Scholarship giveaways

Community Service

A few members of the organization this past spring semester helped with the Hurricane Katrina Relief Program. With the help of members from the Campus Crusade group, Black Men United got to lend its helping hand to people who were far away but close to their hearts. The Katrina Relief was the biggest community service project of the past year but members of BMU are also advent participants of Bobcat Build, mentoring programs, and overall volunteers for the city of San Marcos.

Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies

The Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies (MCGS) is a part of the College of Liberal Arts, one of the seven colleges at Texas State University-San Marcos (Texas State). MCGS was established at the beginning of the 1984 academic year. It assists students in preparing for a pluralistic society by providing faculty and students with resources that encourage the infusion of an interdisciplinary curriculum that addresses race, class, gender, and ethnicity. MCGS provides and administers the U.S. Ethnic Studies minor at the undergraduate level and the Women's Studies minor at the graduate and undergraduate levels. In addition, MCGS has sponsored a variety of co-curricular events aimed at expanding the discourse on ethnicity and gender.

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**CECIL MAYO
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SCHOLARSHIP \$500 Spring Semester 2007

Deadline: November 15, 2006

Complete and send to the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies at 601 University Drive, Flowers Hall, Room 336, San Marcos, Texas 78666 or submit electronically at mcgs@txstate.edu

Selection Criteria:

- A full-time student enrolled at Texas State University–San Marcos taking a minimum of 12 hours per semester.
- Maintain a GPA of at least 2.75.
- African American male students exhibiting leadership, commitment to public service and a desire to make a difference in their community.
- Applicant must complete the following application including the two-page essay question below.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Cumulative GPA _____ Hours of course work completed _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Please initial:

_____ I am aware that the MCGS Director will review my transcript online.

ESSAY (Please attach your essay typed and double-spaced, 2 pages)

The historic empowerment purpose of Black Men United is “to ignite black men to action, to fellowship, to growth and development for the betterment of our communities.”

Select one of the following topics:

1. As an African-American male, what does the above mentioned empowerment message mean to you personally?
2. How will you redefine yourself as a man in order to activate your mission as a successful student, friend, leader, etc?
3. On your road towards upholding the mission of empowerment for black men, how significant is or will be unity and help from others?