



Black Women Gather Mission Statement

Black Women Gather is a group of women who have an affinity for Georgia Tech and the welfare for Black female students matriculating through Tech. We are graduates and employees of the Institute.

Our mission is to provide mentoring and support utilizing existing resources at Tech and in the local community. We are an independent group that coordinates with staff members. We are not licensed counselors, attorneys, or social workers. We are volunteers - mothers, sisters and friends seeking to help. Our group is focused on Black women, however, we are open to all races.

Founders of Black Women Gather

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We have three primary areas of focus:

Relationships/Friends-Reciprocation

To Have A Friend, You Have To Be A Friend
Friend You Can Call At 2am
Romantic Relationships
Codependency
Waxing and Waning

Grounding/Know Thyself

Self-care
EQ - Emotional Quotient
Boundaries
Retreat
Vulnerability
Safety
Self-Defense

Family and Career Development

Work/ Life Balance
Career Mentors
Resume/Job Search/Interview Workshops
Financial Intelligence/ Building Wealth/Building a Legacy
Negotiating Your Salary
Insurance- Life, Home, Auto, Renter's, Health, Dental, Vision, Disability

We found in our kick-off session is that there is a gap of connection for Black women at Tech pursuing a Master's degree or PhD in general. They are often the only Black woman in their classes and have virtually no Black faculty. There is a strong desire for undergrad and grad students to engage with one another. Black Women Gather could be that bridge of connection.

Our attendees are looking for support with Self-Care, Physical & Emotional Well-Being, Isolation & Socializing, Career & Professional Development, Depression, Domestic Violence, and Self-Acceptance. The self-care kits distributed were a big success: face peel masks, Himalayan salt scrub, sleeping eye masks, journals, jewel pens, lip balm, tea, and tea lights. Attendees are especially excited about being matched with a Career Mentor to provide guidance in navigating the imminent workforce.

In collaboration with
Institute Diversity and
Georgia Tech Black
Alumni Organization



BLACK WOMEN GATHER

Wednesday
November 7
6 - 7:30 PM
Klaus 2448

**Calling All African-American Female
students at Georgia Tech:**

Join us for a Kick-off Information Session!

Registration is required. Find out more and sign
up at <https://bgatech.edu/CYOIHF>

