Our Commitment to Supporting Black Students

The Center for Student Life at New York University recognizes the hurt that our Black community of students are feeling due to the murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Ahmaud Arbery, and countless others. We want you to know that we hear you, that Black Lives Matter, and that we are committed to being a part of change that supports and values all of our students and strives for equity.

We know a statement of words is not enough and we understand if this statement feels overdue in timing. We are committed to moving beyond words and taking action in the following ways:

- To be transparent about our commitment to taking tangible and continued actions for progress, including providing regular updates.
- To support our student organizations through active advising that includes access to resources, increased visibility, and amplifying the student voice.
- To prioritize consistent critical dialogues for students and staff on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion issues including intersectionality, systemic racism, power dynamics, saviorism, White privilege, and impacts of socioeconomic status disparities.
- To better understand and identify how anti-Blackness shows up in our space, both physically and interpersonally, and to address it.

We wholeheartedly believe that the labor for this work should not fall solely on the shoulders of our Black students and staff. True change requires ongoing work and assessment. We are here for you. Please feel free to reach out to any member of the CSL staff listed below or email us at student-life@nyu.edu if you have feedback or would like to talk further about anything.

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