

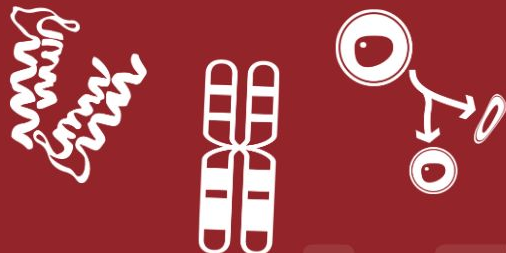


# GENERAL MEETING

Thurs. Sept. 29 1 PM  
On Zoom

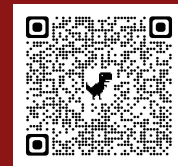


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# Agenda

1. SBSA Introduction
2. BioAIMS Introduction
3. Past Events
4. Upcoming Events
5. CGAP Updates
6. Open Floor



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# SBSA Mission



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- Stanford Biosciences Student Association (SBSA) is a student-run organization that represents all graduate students in Biosciences and Biosciences-related programs.
- It is the belief of SBSA that each student is valuable and capable of realizing a self-defined vision of success, which is facilitated by a cohesive community.
- Therefore, the mission of SBSA is to create an inclusive community that promotes student belonging, wellness, and happiness. SBSA is committed to supporting students throughout their graduate careers by facilitating mentorship, student-led programming, and advocacy in conjunction with Stanford leadership.

# SBSA Activities and Scope



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- **Monthly Meetings**
  - SBSA organizes monthly general meetings where we discuss graduate student issues and connect with students in other programs
- **Program Proposals**
  - Through our quarterly proposal system, students propose events and programming that improve graduate life in the Biosciences to be funded by SBSA.
- **Social Events**
  - To promote community building, SBSA organizes monthly happy hours, spring and fall barbeques, holiday parties, and other events year-round.
  - SBSA organizes the first year camping trip (POWR) in September with funding provided by the Stanford Medicine Alumni Association (SMAA), which is a great opportunity for first years to meet their peers in other Biosciences home programs.
- **Mentorship**
  - First Year Mentorship Program where first years are paired with upper year graduate students, and SBSA organizes lunches/meet-ups to facilitate the transition to graduate school.

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- **Fellowship Mentoring**
  - Incoming students applying to fellowships such as NSF or NDSEG can get feedback and advice from previous fellowship recipients. Activities are often done in collaboration with the Grant Writing Academy.
- **Career Development**
  - SBSA works together with SMAA and BioSci Careers to bring career development opportunities to Biosciences students, including but not limited to an annual dinner event with Biosciences Alumni (SOAR), coffee chats with industry partners, and career resources and counseling.
- **Wellness**
  - To promote healthy practices and build wellness across the Biosciences, SBSA will bring wellness-focused workshops, such as to increase resilience and mindfulness, including collaborations with Wellness Matters and the Office of Graduate Education (OGE) at the School of Medicine.
- **Advocacy**
  - SBSA advocates for Biosciences graduate students in the Biosciences OGE, the Biosciences Committee on Graduate Admissions and Policy (CGAP), the School of Medicine Faculty Senate, and the Stanford Graduate Student Council (GSC).

# Get Involved: Our Mailing Lists



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## sbsa-announce

A low traffic mailing list for SBSA announcements, such as happy hours and monthly meetings. Only SBSA officers and SBSA-funded event runners can post to this list.

You are all already in these listservs

## biosci-discuss and biosci-ask

A high traffic mailing list for all announcements from the biosci community. If you have questions about experiments, need reagents or want to publish job opportunities to other students, you can post it here.

You are all already in these listservs

# BioAIMS Mission



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- The Biomedical (Biosciences) Association for the Interest of Minority Students (BioAIMS) is an inclusive organization that provides a welcoming home for all Biosciences students at Stanford to celebrate their identities--especially those that have traditionally been marginalized in academia.
- We actively build this community through cultural celebrations, peer support, and career development programming. To address the issues facing our communities, we engage in social justice advocacy and local outreach initiatives.

# BioAIMS Leadership Goals for 2022-2023



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1. Establish a clear, bi-directional route of communication between students and OGE
2. Bring together DEI groups that have formed in the past year for regular meetings to share strategies and frustrations
3. Regularly check in with community and advocate for student needs
4. Model an inclusive and antiracist community and help people build the tools to bring those spaces elsewhere
5. Focus on community building
6. Re-start off campus outreach initiatives



# BioAIMS Officer Team 2022-23



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**Co-Presidents** - Lehi (lacosta3@) & Alma (agmendoz@)

**Vice-President** - Gabe (gbarron@)

**Biosciences DEI Committee Liaison** - Sedona (sedonaem@)

**Financial Officer** - Brian (bho24@)

**Social Chair** - Gyu (gyukim@)

**BARF Coordinator & Orientation/Recruitment Chair** - Elysse (elysse@)

**Communications** - Gurmenijit (gurmenb@)

**Professional Development Co-Chairs** - Samrat (samthapa@), Vincent (liuv@),  
& Julie (juliesan@)

**Wellness Co-Chairs** - Savannah (snlewis@) & Azalia (azaliamj@)

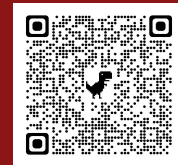
**Advocacy Co-Chairs** - Adonis (adonisr@) & Nhen (nhen@)

**Outreach Co-chairs** - Raeline (raecv@)

**Retreat Coordinator** - Julie (juliesan@)

**Get in touch!**

# Get Involved: Organize your own event or initiative!



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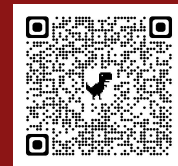
## GET \$\$ FROM US

Got a great idea for an event that is in line with our mission but need funding to do it? We will continue to fund the community grants program to enable nimble funding of low- to medium-budget student-initiated projects.

## How this works

- We have a fixed pot of \$\$ to fund this program; applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis
- We'll let you know in 72 hours if we can fund your event and be in touch to work on logistics
- Events will be funded at the discretion of the BioAIMS officer team
- We encourage you to try to obtain funds “matching” from your program or a relevant partner to stretch our funds and impact further
  - Grants \$100-500 offered, form [here](#).

# Get Involved: Join Our Mailing Lists



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## BIOAIMS-ALL

A low traffic mailing list for BioAIMS announcements, such as happy hours, general meetings, and other weekly official BioAIMS events.

Only BioAIMS officers can post to this list.

[link](#)

## BIOAIMS-DISCUSS

Open discussion list for Biosciences students for diversity, equity, and inclusion issues. Use this mailing list to promote events of interest to, raise issues with, or share relevant articles to the biosciences community.

There is no moderation of members posting to this list; we will approve non-member posts on a case-by-case basis.

[link](#)

# SBSA/BioAIMS Leadership 2022-2023



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## SBSA Exec Board

**Presidents** - Sarah Sackey

**Vice President** - Devon Harris

**Financial Officer** - Minsung Cho

**CGAP Representative** - Camilo Espinosa Bernal

## BioAIMS Exec Board

**Co-Presidents** - Alma Mendoza & Lehi Alvarez

**Vice President** - Gabe Barron

**Financial Officer** - Brian Ho

## Special Chairs

**First year Mentorship Chair** - Danica Schmidtke, Alyssa Cutter

**Fellowship Mentoring Chair** - Lily Xu, Nicole Tanenbaum

**Camping Trip Coordinator** - Nicole Horsley, Michael Montgomery

**Alumni Liaison/SOAR Chair** - Alan Tung, Hudson Horn

## Joint Chairs with BioAIMS

**Communications Officer** - Gurmenjit Kaur Bahia

**Social Committee** - Gyu Kim

**Orientation/Recruitment Chair** - Elysse Grossi-Soyster

**Wellness Chairs** - Azalia Martinez and Savannah Lewis

**Advocacy and Allyship Chairs** - Adonis Rubio and Nhen Hunter

## Home Program Reps

**Biochemistry** - Martha Kahlson

**Bioengineering** - Ariel Hannum

**Biology - CMOB** - Taylar Hammond

**Biology - Hopkins** - open

**Biology - Eco Evo** - open

**Biomedical Informatics** - Ben Viggiano

**Biophysics + Structural Bio** - Minsung Cho

**Cancer Biology** - Lehi Acosta-Alvarez, Rachel Gleyzer

**Chemical and Systems Biology** - open

**Developmental Biology** - Sarah Stern

**Genetics** - Jon Judd

**Immunology** - Adonis Rubio

**MCP** - Jacob Schwartz

**M&I** - Alyssa Cutter

**Neurosciences** - Kayla Vodehnal

**Stem Cell Biology** - Jenn Parker

**Health Research and Policy** - Tofunmi Omiye

**Epidemiology and Clinical Research** - Shamsi Soltani

# Past Events



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- **PhD Orientation Weekend Retreat (POWR) Camping Trip**
  - Only open to incoming 1st years
  - **Date:** September 23 - 25, Friday afternoon to Sunday morning
  - **Location:** Anthony Chabot Regional Park
  - **Sign-up:** [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/13SSx0YRuYUCrTqbj16VsOg9wEqjgT709VktMbxqks6c/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/13SSx0YRuYUCrTqbj16VsOg9wEqjgT709VktMbxqks6c/viewform?edit_requested=true)
- **NSF GRFP Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Program**
  - **Dates:** Summer (8/8-9/23) and Fall (8/29-10/14)
  - **Sign-up to be a mentee:** <https://forms.gle/aZQTcHdVJrCbttRU8>
  - **sign-up to be a mentor:** <https://forms.gle/HAL8BvaGfz2VqrB97>

# Past Events



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- **SBSA Leadership Retreat (open to everyone)**
  - **Date:** September 11th 12pm-7pm
  - **Location:** On campus
  - **Sign-up:** <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpOLSdfhofewO2DFRnqYjFWmRTPiG9R-SvufM34scz3RDtxI7s4Yw/viewform>
  - **Including BBQ Lunch, Mendocino Farms for dinner and sessions with BioSci Careers and OGE Wellness.**
- **First-Year Mentorship**
  - **Signup Deadline:** Oct. 1st
  - **Mentor sign-up:** <https://forms.gle/MDgHA4x6ivMFRCoG8>
  - **Mentee sign-up:** <https://forms.gle/oCtZ6uhmgcI7jsPF9>

# Upcoming Events



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- **Biosciences Activities and Resources Fair (BARF)**
  - **Date:** Oct. 10th 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
  - **Location:** Alumni lawn
- **SBSA/BioAIMS Happy Hour**
  - **Date:** Oct. 14th
  - **Location:** TBA
- **Monthly Board Game Night**
- **POWR Camping Trip Reunion BBQ**
- **Fall Semi Formal**
- **Dinner w/ Biosci Alum**

# BARF



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- SBSA, the Biomedical Association for the Interest of Minority Students (BioAIMS), and the Office of Graduate Education (OGE) jointly run the Biosciences Activities and Resources Fair (BARF)
- The fair is intended to help students on the medical campus, especially incoming first years, find resources and student groups (outreach, wellness, recreational, etc.) that are relevant to their interests
- Volunteer Training
  - Orientation/training Thursday, Oct. 6th
  - Time: 9 - 10 AM
  - Location: LKSC Herb Garden



# Get Involved: Join Our Mailing Lists



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## Grad Volunteer Listserv

A listserv to recruit graduate student volunteers for events. We will publish the the event and positions we need help with and if they align with your interests you can sign up to help

Only SBSA and BioAIMS officers can post to this list.

To opt-in:

Subscribe to “gradeventvolunteers” on [mailman](#)

# CGAP Updates



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## **Knight-Hennessy**

A Scholarship program designed to support a multidisciplinary and multicultural community of graduate students from across Stanford University, and delivers engaging experiences that prepare graduates to be visionary, courageous, and collaborative leaders who address complex challenges facing the world.

- Typically only open to incoming students (apply for it when you apply for grad school)
- New this year is that current first years can apply
- Deadline October 12th
- Find out more: <https://knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/>

## **NSF**

- Issue raised: Students don't seem to want to apply for NSF either due to too much pressure (since they have to apply a few weeks after starting school), don't see the need since some are funded for the first few years or general lack of interest
- Members discussed creating an incentive program to encourage more students to apply to the NSF

Open Floor

# Resources

- Sheri Krams (OGE Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Education and Postdoctoral Affairs) Office Hours
  - Wednesday 2-3pm
  - Zoom link: <https://stanford.zoom.us/j/95555995346?pwd=LzhvUHJHazRrblo0U293dmxuK045UT09>
- Check In with David Schneider, Biosciences Advising Dean for Graduate Students and Postdocs
  - You can book a time with him here: <https://dschneideradvising.youcanbook.me>
- BioPeers: providing free and private peer-to-peer support for the Biosciences graduate student community. Read more and make an appointment at [biopeers.stanford.edu](https://biopeers.stanford.edu)
- SBSA Slack workspace
  - Please fill this out if you want to be added to the workspace: <https://forms.gle/evUA3jK1EmITgCH98>

# Connect with BioAIMS!



BioAIMS website: <https://bioaims.squarespace.com/>



Twitter: @bioaims (Stanford BioAIMS)



Instagram: @stanfordbioaims

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