

Basic Sciences Graduate Student and Postdoc Affinity Groups

What are affinity groups?

- Brave or safe spaces for individuals that share experiences or a common identity to build community
- Support structures for trainees in historically excluded groups
- Platforms for social interaction, discussion, outreach, and/or professional development

Current groups:

- American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples of North America – trainee facilitators: Cera Hassinan, Robin Kaai
- Latinx – trainee facilitators: Amcy Ana Ferreccio, Phillip Silva
- LGBTQIA – trainee facilitators: Austin Gabel, Ryan Yucha
- Middle Eastern and North African – trainee facilitators: Nika Hajari, Nawal Ahmed Madkali

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Groups are recruiting members now. To learn more:

<https://research-grad-ed.uwmedicine.org/climate-justice-and-inclusivity/basic-sciences-affinity-groups/>

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