



## 2015-2016 Black Student Union

### Executive Board Application

This application **MUST** be completed and submitted to the BSU e-mail ([bsu.umd@gmail.com](mailto:bsu.umd@gmail.com)) **by 6:30pm on Thursday, March 26, 2015**. Please attach a ***letter of intent, resume*** and a ***separate page with the answered questions*** following this application. All applications will be accepted until the above date and no later than 6:30pm on that date.

Any applications submitted AFTER the deadline will **NOT** be considered!

**Purpose:** The Black Student Union was created to provide a solid and safe support system for all African-American students, staff and faculty at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

**Mission Statement:** The mission of The Black Student Union is to unify and provide support to the African American student body in an educational setting, and also provide insight and appreciation of the contributions of African Americans to society while promoting awareness of the issues affecting African Americans as well as other minorities.

**Positions Available:** Secretary, Treasurer, Marketing Director, Student Representative Chair, Student Representative

Position(s) of Interest \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

UM-ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Projected Graduation Term \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in good academic standing? YES NO (Circle one) Cumulative G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ UMICH E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**On a separate page, please answer each of the following questions in 200 words or less (each). All questions must be completed in their entirety, and submitted along with application, resume, and letter of intent. If you have any questions regarding this application, please e-mail [bsu.umd@gmail.com](mailto:bsu.umd@gmail.com) with “BSU E-Board Application Question” in the subject line.**

1. Name the organizations that you are a member of on campus, your position within the organization and how you have contributed to the advancement of the organization.
2. Why are you interested in becoming a board member of the Black Student Union? What specific positions are you applying for, and why? (*This should be addressed in the speech you prepare to present to the current Executive Board on Election Day*)
3. If elected, what other time commitments will you have throughout the year? How will you be able to balance the responsibilities of BSU with your other time commitments?
4. What are the strengths and weaknesses of the Black student community at UM-D (including faculty and staff)? What tactics and strategies could the Black Student Union implement to help build and maintain this community?
5. How many BSU programs have you attended this year? Name one that you attended, and what you with you could have changed about it. If you have not attended any programs this year, please explain why you have not.
6. What is your ultimate career goal in life? How do your plans relate to the development of the Black community?
7. Describe the role that BSU should take in the UM-D Black community and the general campus at large. What are some things about BSU that could be developed and/or completely changed?

**Letter of Intent:** Please write a one page letter directed to the Executive Board of the Black Student Union expressing your intentions in seeking this position. This is your opportunity to express your plans and ideas in the form of a letter that were not included in the questions above. Also, please tell us how our mission statement and purpose relate to you and your personal beliefs. Feel free to express any other thoughts that are separate from the questions asked above. Each letter should be typed in the form of a cover letter, with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address at the top of the page with the date under it. If you have any questions about the letter of intent, please e-mail us at [bsu.umd@gmail.com](mailto:bsu.umd@gmail.com) with “Letter of Intent Question” in the subject line.

**Application Submission:** Submit your completed application packet to our mailbox in the Student Organization Center (located on the second floor of the University Center). Mailboxes are located in the back of the room. The BSU mailbox is labeled “B5”. Please send an e-mail notifying us that you have dropped off your application ([bsu.umd@gmail.com](mailto:bsu.umd@gmail.com)) with “**BSU E-Board Application Submitted**” in the subject line.

***We are looking forward to receiving your application on March 26<sup>th</sup> by 6:30pm!!***