



Black Resource Center September 2023 Newsletter



The Black Resource Center (BRC), located in Gleeson Library 234, will be open during library business hours. Come by to study, take a breather between classes, and connect with fellow Black students!

Stay engaged with BASE! Follow us on **Facebook**, **Instagram**, and **Twitter**. If you have comments, questions, ideas for programming, or would like to feature your event in our newsletter, please contact us at base@usfca.edu or **(415) 422-2503**.

Message from Assistant Dean Collymore

Greetings and welcome to the new academic year!

The Black Resource Center (BRC), the largest



component of the Black Achievement Success and Enrichment (BASE) initiative, serves as a resource for all undergraduate and graduate students of African descent at USF to connect with each other to receive academic, spiritual, mentoring, and emotional support services.

Throughout the month of September, our **BASE student interns** will host engagement opportunities with the Black student community to develop workshops and programming for new and continuing undergraduate students. We invite all sponsored student clubs and organizations, in addition to USF offices and departments, to collaborate with BRC on future events by completing our **request form**. For new and continuing Black graduate students, we invite you to follow and get involved with the **Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA)**. Founded in spring 2023, BGSA aims to connect new and continuing Black graduate students across all five academic schools, with an opportunity to build community, career resources, and network.

Wishing you a successful fall semester.

In community,

Kevin Collymore
Assistant Dean, Retention and Persistence Programs
Academic Success Coach

BASE Resources

BASE Economic Hardship Fund

The BASE Economic Hardship Fund is available to USF undergraduate and graduate students who are unable to meet immediate, essential expenses due to a

temporary financial hardship that may jeopardize their health, safety, academic performance, and/or ability to stay enrolled at USF. As funds are limited, the hardship fund application will remain open for fall 2023 until Sept. 29, 2023, and reopen for spring 2024 on Jan. 2, 2024. If you have any questions or concerns, please email base@usfca.edu.

[Apply Here »](#)



BASE Challenge: Programs for Me

Between Sept. 5–13, our **BASE student interns** will be hosting a team challenge to promote programming ideas for the academic year.

To get involved and help push through programs you want to see, simply follow BASE on **Instagram** and be on the lookout for BASE student interns tabling around campus.

September 2023 Events

Truman Scholars Program

Sept. 7 | 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m. PDT | Hybrid

Join Professor Dave Danahue for an overview of the Truman Scholars Program and what it means to apply for the selective, national scholarship.

THE HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

In person or online:

Leo T. McCarthy Center, 281 Masonic Ave, Suite 102

Zoom Meeting ID: 415 422 4293

Contact **Dave Donahue** for more information.



How We Got Here: Alumni in the Public Health Sector

Sept. 7 | 6–7:30 p.m. | McLaren Center
Room 252

Are you interested in a career in the public health field? Join us for a panel discussion featuring accomplished USF alumni who will share their experiences and insights into working in healthcare.

[RSVP Here »](#)

Resume Rush

Sept. 12 | 10 a.m.–4 p.m. | UC 1st Floor

Get ready for Fall Career Pop-Ups by getting your resume reviewed by employer recruiters! Use this time to polish your resume and ask any questions you may have about meeting employers at recruiting events this semester. No pre-registration is required. Just show up! Students will be seen on a first-come basis. Learn more information about this event [here](#).



[RSVP Here »](#)



Grow and Glow Therapy Group: Co-leaders Dr. Jae and Dr. Natalia

Sept. 26 – Dec. 13 | 11:15 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Glow and Grow is a healing space for womxn and womxn-aligned students who are members of the **global majority** (alternatively Black, Indigenous Womxn of Color). In this space, we focus on building community and empowerment. Topics can include: addressing aggressions targeting our identities, balancing life with academic challenges, relationships and family conflicts, difficulties

prioritizing ourselves, and reclaiming our power. In Glow and Grow, group members aim to support each other's strengths and vulnerabilities, encourage each other to enhance our self-care and compassion, as well as find validation and connection through our shared experiences.

Complete the **CAPS interest form** or contact CAPS at **(415) 422-6352** or **(415) 422-6351** during business hours if you have any questions or to sign up.

[Group Interest Form »](#)

University Resources

Center for Academic and Student Achievement (CASA)

The Center for Academic and Student Achievement (CASA) is your home for compassionate academic and personal support that promotes holistic student development. Each USF undergraduate student is assigned to an academic success coach. You can find out who your coach is in your **Student Hub** under "My Success Team." You may **make an appointment** with your coach, or you can visit any coach during their regular **drop-in hours** without an appointment.

[Meet with Your CASA Coach »](#)

Learning, Writing, and Speaking Centers

The University of San Francisco offers academic assistance to all students through the Learning Center, the Writing Center, and the Speaking Center. Services are available at no additional cost to USF students and include subject-specific tutoring, writing assistance, and communications-related support. The Learning Center also provides opportunities for academic skill development, through one-on-one academic skills coaching, group workshops, and online resources.

A list of courses supported by Peer Tutoring can be accessed **here**.

[Visit the LWSC Website »](#)

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