



Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #23

Providing Financial Support for visiting students from the Universidad de Puerto Rico Rico

ABSTRACT: This resolution would allocate part of the Student Assembly surplus towards providing support for visiting students from the Universidad de Puerto Rico.

Sponsored by: Omar Din '19, Marco Peralta-Ochoa '21

Whereas, Puerto Rico was recently hit by Hurricane Maria, and a recent report estimates that 60 percent of the people are still without electricity, and many also lack running and potable water, and;

Whereas, Cornell University was founded as an institution where any person can find instruction in any study, and;

Whereas, Cornell University will be hosting up to 58 students from the Universidad de Puerto Rico starting in January of 2018 to ensure that they have continued access to higher education, and;

Whereas, Cornell University is providing the funding for these students' tuition, room and board, and;

Whereas, These students still face considerable economic burden in order to pay for airfare, winter clothing, books, school supplies, and food, and;

Whereas, In response to this Cornell University has started a crowdsourcing campaign asking the community to donate towards helping financially support the visiting students before December 6th, and;

Whereas, The University has stated that "Our goal, based on current estimates, is to raise **at least** \$40,000 to help meet student needs." and;

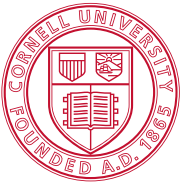
Whereas, \$40,000 divided among 58 students does not adequately cover the plethora of costs associated with moving to Ithaca, and purchasing the supplies necessary to perform at Cornell, and;

Whereas, After the University of Puerto Rico students complete their semester, winter clothing and textbooks can be donated and distributed to low income Cornell students, and;

Whereas, The Student Assembly is currently operating with a budget surplus of over \$150,000, and;

Whereas, The Student Assembly passed resolution 40 on March 23, 2016 with the intent of allocating the surplus over various diversity and minority student support programs, and;

Whereas, The Student Assembly did not work to allocate or follow through on the funding decision it agreed on through passing that resolution.



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Be it therefore resolved, that the Student Assembly recognizes and applauds the University's work to provide opportunities for students from the University of Puerto Rico and stand with them and their families during this difficult time in their academic, professional and personal lives, and;

Be it further resolved, that the Student Assembly allocate \$10,000 of its surplus to the School of Continuing Education's University of Puerto Rico support fund, and;

Be it further resolved, that those funds are earmarked to only be allocated to, and limited to, the visiting students from the Universidad de Puerto Rico for the spring 2018 semester, and;

Be it further resolved, that the University be charged with the responsibility of distributing the money from the University of Puerto Rico students support fund, as fairly as possible, taking into consideration the actual needs and interests of the University of Puerto Rico students themselves, and

Be it further resolved, that the guidelines for granting the Student Assembly's contribution to the aid be as follows:

"Allowable expenses include (but are not limited to): books, school supplies, food, winter clothing, and moving and travel expenses. Prohibited usage of the grant includes (but is not limited to): substitution for income and transfer of funds to other students."

Be it finally resolved that the School of Continuing Education will report back to the Student Assembly at the end of the spring semester regarding the number of students who have been served by the Student Assembly's contribution.

Respectfully Submitted,

Omar Din '19

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Human Ecology Representative, Student Assembly*

Marco Antonio Peralta-Ochoa '21

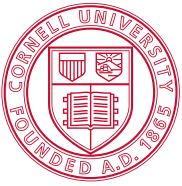
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VP Communications, First Generation Student Union*

The Puerto Rican Students Association
2017-2018 Executive Board

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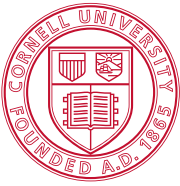
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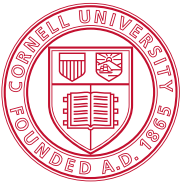
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92 *La Asociación Latina (LAL) | Co-Chair*
93 *Refresh Bolivia Cornell Chapter | Vice President*
94 *Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc. | Vice*
95 *President*
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97 Ehab Ebeid '19
98 *President emeritus, Muslim Educational & Cultural Association*
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100 Samir Durvasula M. Eng '18
101 *Ex Officio, South Asian Council*
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103 Tarannum Sahar '20
104 *President, Cornell Welcomes Refugees*
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106 Shivani Parikh '19
107 *President, South Asian Council*
108 *Asian Pacific Americans for Action*
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110 Anuush Vejalla '20
111 *Vice President, South Asian Council*
112 *Secretary, Hindu Student Council*
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114 Carunya (Caro) Achar '18
115 *Student Organizer, Cornell Organization for Labor Action*
116 *Ex-Officio, South Asian Council*
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118 Aliza Adhami '19
119 *Co-President, Pakistani Students Association*
120 *Advocacy Chair, South Asian Council*
121 *Human Ecology Dean's Advisory Council*
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123 Samir Salih '19
124 *Board Member, Men of Color Council*
125 *Board Member, Islamic Alliance for Justice*
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127 Dean Xu '18
128 *President, International Students Union*
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130 Salma Shitia '18
131 *President emeritus, Arab Student Association*
132 *President emeritus, Cornell Welcomes Refugees*
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134 Venus Dulani '19
135 *President, Big Red Bikes*



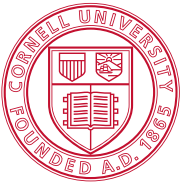
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137	Vivian Vázquez '18
138	<i>President, Cuban American Student Association</i>
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140	Jean Jimenez '20
141	<i>Board Member, Quisqueya; The Dominican Student Association</i>
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143	Emma Badini '20
144	<i>G-Body Organizer, Climate Justice Cornell</i>
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146	Richard Escobar '18
147	<i>Vice-President of Internal Affairs, ALANA Intercultural Board</i>
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149	Christopher Talavera '19
150	<i>President, Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc.</i>
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152	Annika Rockhill '19
153	<i>Board Member, Minority ILR Student Organization</i>
154	<i>Political Action Committee Member, Black Students United</i>
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156	Sonya Chyu '19
157	<i>Student Staff</i>
158	<i>Sustainable Cornell</i>
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160	Jaëlle Sanon '19
161	<i>First Generation Student Liaison At-Large Representative, Student Assembly</i>
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163	Miguel Martinez
164	<i>DREAM Team and First Generation Student Union member</i>
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166	Jaelyn Chinchilla '19
167	<i>Treasurer, Sigma Lambda Upsilon/ Señoritas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc.</i>
168	<i>Treasurer, Pre-Medical Minority Mentorship Program (Pre-M3)</i>
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170	Irving Torres-Lopez '18
171	<i>Latino Living Center Resident</i>
172	<i>Student Staff, Latina/o Studies Program</i>
173	<i>Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc.</i>
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175	Jazmin Aguilar-Romero '18
176	<i>Science Organization of Latinxs, Co-Chair</i>
177	<i>SACNAS, Conference Chair</i>
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179	Andrea Hernandez '18
180	<i>Recruitment Chair, MEChA</i>



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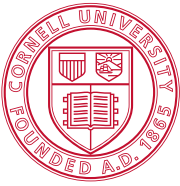
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182	Claudia Torres '19
183	<i>Captain, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble</i>
184	<i>Member, Puerto Rican Students Association</i>
185	<i>Latino Living Center Resident</i>
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187	Cassandra Proo '20
188	<i>Treasurer, Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc.</i>
189	<i>Latina/o Studies Program, Intern</i>
190	<i>Latino Living Center, Out of House Member</i>
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192	Alina Amador Loyola '19
193	<i>Co-President, Puerto Rican Students Association</i>
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195	Carley Rojas Avila '19
196	<i>Graduate Student Advisor, Mayor Potencial</i>
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198	Nathaniel Vasquez '18
199	<i>Quisqueya, Member</i>
200	<i>La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc., Vice President and Treasurer</i>
201	<i>Biology Scholars Program, President</i>
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203	Tatiana Suero '19
204	<i>National Society of Minorities in Hospitality</i>
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206	Walter Salas '19
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208	Llarsania Galloza '20
209	<i>Public Relations Chair, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble</i>
210	<i>Member, Puerto Rican Students Association</i>
211	<i>Member, Quisqueya</i>
212	<i>Latino Living Center Resident</i>
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214	Harleigh McLellan '20
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216	Jackie Dean '19
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218	Isaiah Wilson '19
219	<i>Board Member, Men of Color Council</i>
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221	Mariely Medina-Rivera '20
222	<i>Food Science and Technology PhD Student</i>
223	<i>Food Science Department</i>
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225	Natalia Hernandez '21



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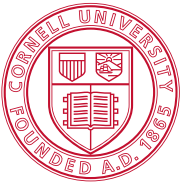
- 226 *VP of Alumni Affairs, Lending Library*
227 *Co-Marketing Chair, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble*
228 *Latino Living Center Representative, Residential Student Congress*
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230 *Adriana Herrera '20*
231 *MEChA Chair*
232 *Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble Secretary*
233 *Latino Living Center Resident*
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235 *Tiffany Fotopoulos 18'*
236 *Cornell DREAM Team*
237 *MEChA*
238 *Cornell Farmworker Program Intern*
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240 *Jade Pinero '19*
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242 *Daniela Manzano '19*
243 *Board Member, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers*
244 *Board Member, Cornell University Program Board*
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246 *Roland Babmatee '21*
247 *Board member, Hindu Student Council*
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249 *Noah Chovanec '18*
250 *Executive Vice President, Class of 2018 Council*
251 *Former School of Industrial and Labor Relations Representative, Student Assembly*
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253 *Jennifer F. Siranaula '19*
254 *VP of Administrative Affairs, Pre-Medical Minority Mentorship Program (Pre-M3)*
255 *Co-Vice President, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble*
256 *Out of House Member, Latino Living Center*
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258 *José Covarrubias '19*
259 *President, Acacia Fraternity*
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261 *Alyssa Watson '19*
262 *External Chair, Coalition of Pan-African Scholars*
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264 *Georgina Cedeno '21*
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266 *Grismely Acevedo '20*
267 *Co-captain, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble*
268 *Co-chair, Quisqueya (Dominican Student Association)*
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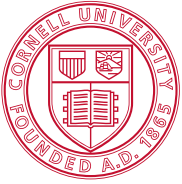
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272	Jordan Kelly' 20
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274	Elijah Ruiz '19
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276	Adam Spaulding-Astudillo '20
277	<i>Co-Alumni chair, sabor latino dance ensemble;</i>
278	<i>Resident, Latino Living Center</i>
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280	Jesse Pollard '18
281	<i>CALS Representative, Student Assembly</i>
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283	Drew Lord '18
284	<i>IFC President</i>
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286	Ciara Cox '18
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288	Isaiah Murray '19
289	<i>President, Sabor Latino Dance Ensemble</i>
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291	Lissie Elorza '20
292	<i>Resident, LLC</i>
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294	Cecilia Faringer-Perez, ILR '18
295	<i>Amnesty International</i>
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297	Amairani Marin Tovar '20
298	<i>Community Outreach Chair, Science Organization of Latinos</i>
299	<i>Latina/o Studies Program Representative</i>
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301	Tatiana Lieberman '21
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303	Drake Avila '21
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305	Miguel Soto '20
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307	Gabriela Mino '21
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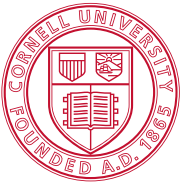
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316	<i>President, Russian Jewish Club</i>
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318	Victor Aguilar M.S. '17
319	<i>Staff Writer, Cornell Daily Sun</i>
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321	Steeven Campoverde '18
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323	Luiza Baroni '21
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325	Edem Dzodzomenyo '20
326	<i>Member, Appropriations Committee</i>
327	<i>Former Freshman Representative, Student Assembly</i>
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329	Stephen Ramirez '20
330	<i>Member, Biology Scholars Program</i>
331	<i>Member, First Generation Student Union</i>
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333	Julia Siegel '21
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335	Marina Hernandez '20
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337	Samantha Romero Zavala '19
338	<i>ILR Representative, Student Assembly</i>
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340	Sarah Park '20
341	<i>Women's Representative, Student Assembly</i>
342	<i>President, Class Council of 2020</i>
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344	Courtney Velez '19
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346	Anne Riley '18
347	<i>Treasurer, Cornell Welcomes Refugees</i>
348	<i>Chief Administrative Officer, Kappa Alpha Theta</i>
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350	Piragash Swargaloganathan '19
351	<i>Member, Students for Justice in Palestine.</i>
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353	Hannah Chow '19
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355	Angelica Melecio Piñeiro '19
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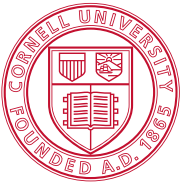
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- 360 Megan Andújar '21
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362 Bianca Murillo '21
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364 Carlos Ventura '20
365 *Treasurer, Quisqueya (Cornell's Dominican Student Association)*
366 *Marketing & Publicity Coordinator, CU IMAGE*
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368 Lizbeth Lucero '20
369 *Outreach and Engagement Coordinator, CU IMAGE*
370 *Member, M.E.Ch.A.*
371 *Member, McNair Scholar*
372 *Member, Pre Professional Programs (C-Step)*
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374 Irma Almirall-Padamsee, Ph.D. '84
375 *Former Interim Director of the Latino Studies Program and retired Director of Multicultural Affairs, The Johnson*
376 *School*
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378 Jeremy Gartland '18
379 *President, The Men of Last Call*
380 *Executive Board Member, Christian Union*
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382 Claudia Ponce de León
383 *Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/ Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc.*
384 *Cornell University '20 | College of Engineering*
385 *Cuban American Student Association, Treasurer*
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387 Kiara Olmeda '19
388 *Diversity Chair, Kappa Alpha Theta*
389 *Director of Workshops, Cornell Dancers' Alliance*
390 *Member, Patient Care Advocacy Team*
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392 Kimberly St Fleur '21
393 *Cornell Tradition Fellow*
394 *Member, Christian Union*
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396 Noah Gonzalez '18
397 *Captain, Varsity Sprint Football*
398 *Recruitment Chair, Delta Chi*
399 *Vice President, Cornell Barbell Club*
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401 Brianna Barrett '18
402 *President, Multicultural Greek Letter Council*
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404 Sarah Johnson '18



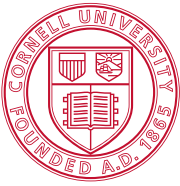
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- 405 *President, Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc.*
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407 Jason Gurtman '18
408 *President, Alpha Phi Omega - Gamma Chapter*
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410 Emma Birch '20
411 *Hunter R. Rawlings III Cornell Presidential Research Scholar*
412 *Member, Biology Scholars Program*
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414 Amber Vasquez
415 *Member, Latina/o Graduate Student Coalition*
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417 Valerie Guzman
418 *Member, National Society of Minorities in Hospitality*
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420 Andres Sanchez '21
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422 Vanessa Sepulveda '21
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424 Dae Gun Chung Kim '19
425 *Founder and President of Latino Christian Community*
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427 Evan Shapiro '19
428 *College of Arts and Sciences Representative, Student Assembly*
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430 David De La Fuente '21
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432 Isabela Pereira Motta '18
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434 Dalia Mota '21
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436 Dillon Kellerman '19
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438 Elizabeth Cavic, '18
439 *Service Chair, Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity*
440 *Diversity and Inclusion Chair, Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity*
441 *Member, Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Incorporated.*
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443 Bonnie Carolina Acosta '16
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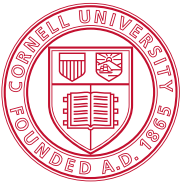
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452 *Latina/o Studies Program Representative*
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454 Jared Hornsberry '21
455 *Cornell Undergraduate Law and Society Review*
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457 Julia Pacheco-Cole '17
458 *Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc.*
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460 Mo Ayodele '18
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462 Sara Tayara '20
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464 Sharonee Vaca '19
465 *Resident of Latino Living Center*
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467 Clady Corona '19
468 *Treasurer, Cornell Lending Library*
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470 Nabiha Qudsi '18
471 *President, Committee for the Advancement of Muslim Life*
472 *Co-President, Cornell Interfaith Council*
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474 Anum Hussain '19
475 *Vice President, Committee for the Advancement of Muslim Life*
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477 Khaddy Kebbeh '19
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479 Lizbeth Cordova '19
480 *President, Latino American Law Student Association*
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482 Stephanie Lin '19
483 *Co-Director of Mentorship Initiatives, CAPSU*
484 *Performance Coordinator, alpha Kappa Delta Phi*
485 *Social Chair, Cornell Taiwanese American Society*
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487 Tyler Rodriguez '21
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489 Alana Dass '20
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491 Zaynub Ibrahim '18
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493 Rashaad Ahmad '18
494 *President of Alpha Lambda Mu, Gamma Chapter- First Muslim-Interest Fraternity*



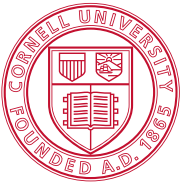
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496	Max Lifflander '18
497	<i>Student Manager Coordinator, Cornell Dining</i>
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499	Kristen Vergara '20
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505	Aminah Taariq '21
506	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
507	<i>Member, Environmental Committee</i>
508	<i>Member, Academic Policy and Program Committee</i>
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510	Shura Zeryck
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512	Elia Morelos '21
513	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
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515	Moriah Adeghe '21
516	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
517	<i>Member, Academic Policy Committee</i>
518	<i>Member, Communications Committee</i>
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520	Isabelle Aboaf '21
521	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
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523	Cheryl Kalapura '20
524	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
525	<i>Treasurer, Society of India</i>
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527	Jonvi Rollins '20
528	<i>Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee</i>
529	<i>Member, Financial Aid Review Committee</i>
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531	Shura Zeryck
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533	Anyia Osatuke
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535	Ian Wallace '20
536	<i>LGBTQ+ Representative, Student Assembly</i>
537	<i>Board Member, Cornell Welcomes Refugees</i>
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- 539 Travis Cabbell '18
540 *Director of Elections, Student Assembly*
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542 Mazen Ibrahim '19
543 *Treasurer, Arab Student Association*
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545 Natalia Sanchez Hernandez '19
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547 Hepeng Jia
548 *Chinese Visiting Scholar/Student Association (CVSA)*
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550 Marie Zwetsloot '18
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552 Anne A. Kearney '20
553 *President, Society of Edible Horticulture*
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555 Hannah Heyman '20
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557 Prateek Sehgal
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559 Grant Thompson '18
560 *Vice President, Society of Edible Horticulture*
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562 Roanne Yehia '20
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564 Michael R. Buche
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566 Khatrina Te '21
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568 Jared Enriquez '20
569 *PhD Student, College of Architecture, Art, & Planning*
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571 Aaliya Khan '19
572 *Vice President of Finance, ALANA*
573 *Vice President, Pakistani Students Association*
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575 Cornell Asian and Pacific Islander Student Union
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577 Robert Hendricks '17 JD '19
578 *President, Christian Legal Society*
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580 Hannah Swegarden '20
581 *Secretary, SIPS Graduate Student Association*
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583 Aisha Rupasingha '18



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585 Shovan Dutta

586 *Physics Graduate Student*

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588 Christopher Hanna '18

589 *Organizer with Amnesty International at Cornell University and the Tompkins County Workers Center*

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591 Joel Morel '18

592 *Recruitment Chair, La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc.*

593 *Member, Quisqueya: Dominican Students' Association*

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