BLACK STUDENT LEADERS’ PLATFORM

1. Petition LSU to increase the ratio of minority professionals in every academic area.
   • LSU has only increased the ratio of Black faculty members to 4.7% of all faculty. This is a very small increase over the last two years, with still only 2 Black mental health professionals at LSU.

2. Lobby LSU professionals to increase funding for minority programs and departments to positively affect the Black student experience.
   • Find effective ways to increase funding for the Clarence L. Barney African American Cultural Center towards computers, initiatives, and programming.
   • Consistent budget reflective of the diverse population of students.

3. Organize LSU resources specifically targeted towards minority students and workers dealing with mental health and trauma.
   • Enacting a Black mental health/trauma hotline, and hiring more diverse health care professionals are a few steps to increase care for mental health needs of Black students.

4. Push LSU to address and correct issues of blatant racism and discrimination on campus through the Student Code of Conduct and LSU Student Advocacy and Accountability.
   • We must push LSU to increase transparency in the processes involved with Student Advocacy and Accountability.

5. Mandate LSU to make timely statements condemning racism and injustice at all levels of the University and implement policies clearly outlining the University’s standard of disapproval.
   • University policies that not only allow the University to speak in a timely manner, but demand those statements to be thorough and intentional.

6. The establishment of a Black student representative in University administration conversations that impact the student body.
   • In the University’s forthcoming search for a new system president and possible transition to chancellery system, Black students should be included and actively involved in the process.
   • Student Body president is often not a reflective representation of our community, the Black student representative will better communicate and address our concerns.