UNI STEM STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

It's that time of year again. Once students arrive back from winter break, student organizations all over campus are going to be interested in gaining new members. Or as a student, you may be looking for something new to ring in the new year and I have some organizations that may be interesting to you. STEM is starting to pop up more directly and indirectly throughout the university. It got me thinking about how I could find organizations that are related to STEM. I found three organizations that were STEM related in some way: an organization that focused primarily on STEM, I found another organization that is indirectly related to STEM, and the last organization provides the opportunity for STEM majors to work on and polish their production skills, which can make members more marketable in the job world.

The first student organization is SNS, which stands for Student Nature Society. This group raises awareness for cleaning up pollution and helps spread awareness about our environment. This group sounds fun and if you love the outdoors SNS is right up your alley! They take camping and canoe trips. Just this year they are planning several zoo trips. They hope to get a special chimpanzee visit where you would be able to interact with the chimps. SNS meets at the Greenhouse on campus and is open to everyone. If you are interested in joining, email Kate Madsen who is a sophomore biology major.

The second organization is Multicultural Teaching Alliance. One of our past STEM Ambassadors is a part of the club. Julia North is a senior math education and business teaching major. The Multicultural Teaching Alliance organization prepares educators for diversity they may encounter in their field. Julia notes that although she is a STEM major, the Multicultural Teaching Alliance helps her prepare and educate her for whatever field she may pursue. This club meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. in the SEC, 5th floor. If you are interested in joining this organization and learning about diversity, please contact Julia North.

The last organization is the Digital Collective or DC club. This club deals with digital media. Many would think this has nothing to do with STEM, but I think this club would offer great opportunity for STEM students who are interested in staying well rounded in the digital world. With technology advancing daily this club helps students specialize in production through Photoshop, Illustrator, and more. This club also brings in speakers from surrounding businesses and visits businesses. DC club meets on Mondays at 6 p.m. in the Digital Media Hub in the Rod Library. If you are interested in learning more about production, email Elisa Phipps who is a senior interactive digital studies student.

This list of organizations I have provided does not even begin to dive into all of the wonderful opportunities UNI student groups have to offer, but if you want to learn more about all the organizations out there visit the link below. -Stefani Keller, UNI STEM Program Associate

Check out the list of all Student Organizations offered at UNI: https://cgi.access.uni.edu/cgi-bin/student_orgs/student_orgs.cgi
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