**GRADUATE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

**Biomedical Sciences Student Organization**

The Biomedical Sciences Student Organization aims to foster a friendly and engaging community in an inclusive environment that encourages student-faculty collaboration to better position students for success in various medical professions. A main goal is to provide career support to students aspiring to attend professional schools as well as employment in the Biotech and Pharmaceutical Industries.

**Bobcat Project Management Club**

The Bobcat Project Management Club is to educate students on the practices of project management and prepare them for working in the field. Members will be actively engaged in project management exercises, attend events, and network with professionals in the field. The organization will engage in projects on campus through collaboration of campus partners. Students will gain practical experience in project management.

**EQUIP (Quinnipiac University Interprofessional Practice) Rehabilitation Clinic**

The EQUIP Rehabilitation is a student-run, pro bono clinic that operates on Tuesday evenings at Quinnipiac’s North Haven Campus. Our clinic offers inter-professional skilled rehabilitation to individuals in the Greater New Haven area who currently do not have access to physical and/or occupational therapy services due to lack of insurance coverage or for those clients who have exhausted their insurance benefits for a specified condition. Services are also available to those who are covered by the Connecticut Husky Plan. Quinnipiac students provide services to clients in teams led by graduate physical and occupational therapy students under the direct supervision of licensed faculty members. In addition to direct skilled rehabilitation services, we at EQUIP are committed to providing community education through a variety of outreach projects.

**Graduate Physical Therapy Club**

The Graduate Physical Therapy Club strives to increase the community’s awareness of physical therapy as a profession as well as encourage students in the graduate PT program to further their knowledge of, and develop personal responsibility for the growth of, the profession. The club serves as a liaison between the graduate PT students, university faculty, and other graduate student organizations on campus. This helps to address student concerns and promote unity and involvement throughout Quinnipiac University’s graduate-level programs. The Graduate PT Club sponsors several events and initiatives throughout the course of the year including (but not limited to) speakers/presenters, community service opportunities, and a PT mentorship program. The Graduate PT Club also has a Special Interest Group (SIG) that focuses on spinal cord injuries and issues. The SIG hosts an annual Walk and Roll event with all proceeds benefitting the Connecticut chapter of the National Spinal Cord Injury Association. This organization is open to graduate students in the PT program at Quinnipiac.

**Graduate Student Council**

The Graduate Student Council consists of students who serve as the governing body for graduate students at Quinnipiac. The organization acts as the medium for graduate student concerns and serves as the official voice of the graduate student population. The Graduate Student Council organizes, sponsors and promotes activities and events that further the interests of graduate students. Graduate students who are interested in getting involved or have a concern about graduate life should email graduatesstudentcouncil@qu.edu or call 203-582-GRAD. Council meetings are held on Sundays at 5 p.m. on the North Haven Campus.

Meetings are held at the North Haven Campus in MNH-165. The meetings are from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m and are open to all graduate students. The dates of the meetings are:

- September 8, 2019
- September 22, 2019
- October 6, 2019
- October 20, 2019
- November 3, 2019
- November 17, 2019
- December 1, 2019
- January 26, 2020
- February 9, 2020
- February 23, 2020
- March 15, 2020
- March 29, 2020
- April 19, 2020

**Graduate Social Work Association**

The Graduate Social Work Association is to provide support and be a voice for all graduate social work students. In addition, this group creates opportunities to discuss field education. Membership is open to all students currently enrolled in the Quinnipiac Master of Social Work program. This group helps to support Fresh Check which takes place at the Mount Carmel Campus during the fall semester.

**Graduate Student Nurses Association**

The Graduate Student Nurses Association is to support the development of a professional, scholastic and social community in the Graduate School of Nursing through interaction and inter-relations between all nursing students, faculty, alumni and the greater nursing community, as well as between all other graduate students. This organization is to provide an avenue for student input into programs and policies through such activities as representation on committees, as well as allow for sponsored activities, which will promote professional growth and provide for an atmosphere for ideas.

**Quinnipiac Alzheimer’s and Dementia Coalition**

The Quinnipiac Alzheimer’s and Dementia Coalition is to bring awareness to the impact that Alzheimer’s disease has on an individual and their loved ones. Our main goal is to increase awareness through educating students, families, and community members, as well as doing our part to fundraise money for a cure. This group participates in the Walk to
End Alzheimer’s and partners with the Alzheimer’s Association to raise awareness of this disease.

Quinnipiac Physician Assistant Student Society

The Quinnipiac Physician Assistant Student Society was established in 1994 by the first class of PA students at Quinnipiac. The purpose of this organization is to promote the physician assistant as a member of the health care delivery team and to participate in community service activities. Membership is open to all students in the QU PA program and dues are determined on a yearly basis by the officers and members in the society. A PA program faculty member serves as the adviser and provides insight and direction in all student society activities. Each year the QU PA Student Society participates in numerous community-based service projects as well as the national Host City Prevention Campaign (HCPC), co-sponsored by the Student Academy, AAPA, PAF and PAEA. Students have made significant contributions to charitable organizations as well as provided help to those less fortunate. The Quinnipiac University Physician Assistant Student Society has been recognized by the American Academy of Physician Assistants for its significant charitable contributions.

Quinnipiac University MBAs (QUMBA)

The Quinnipiac University MBAs organization provides opportunities for professional discussions on topical issues and concerns, preparation for the workforce, and networking to enhance experiences for all MBA students. QUMBA’s mission is to empower students toward leadership positions in the corporate world by providing support, education, professional development and networking opportunities. QUMBA is a great opportunity for graduate students, faculty members and alumnae to interact with one another to gain invaluable skills and knowledge as well as contacts for support.

Saudi Cultural Club at Quinnipiac University

The Saudi Cultural Club at Quinnipiac University is to promote Saudi culture. This club educates others on the stereotypes and public image of Saudi Arabia. The club organizes and celebrates special occasions which includes the two Islamic holidays and the national day in consultation with the Muslim Student Association (MSA) and the Muslim Chaplin. Students who wish to be involved with this group or have questions can contact them at graduatesaudiculturalclub@qu.edu.

Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ)

The Society of Professional Journalists is dedicated to the perpetuation of a free press as the cornerstone of our nation and our liberty. It encourages high standards and ethical behavior in the practice of journalism, fosters excellence, encourages diversity among journalists and inspires successive generations of talented individuals to become dedicated journalists. The chapter schedules workshops and lectures through the year. Information on joining the university chapter is posted at the start of the fall and spring semesters as well as through announcements on the Blackboard site for graduate journalism students.