Our Mission and Values

The Northwestern University Black Professionals Network strives to build community through our shared experiences to foster open dialogue, leadership, and mentorship that will improve the NU Black professional experience.

Message from the BPN Chairs

Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for? (Audience) Why should they care? (Benefit) What do I want them to do here? (Call-to-Action)

Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining"!

2022 Year In Review
Juneteenth at the Black House
Northwestern will recognize Juneteenth as an official University holiday beginning this year. Read more.

BPN At the Block Museum
How has art been used to protest, process, mourn, and memorialize anti-Black violence within the United States? Read More.

Journey Narratives

Stephanie Hicks
Stefanie Hicks served as the Associate Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, supporting DEI initiatives across all HR disciplines. Including, but not limited to, recruitment, learning and development, employee relations, and more. Stefanie is no longer at the University, but her contributions to our community are still celebrated. Read More.

Julie Collins, Ph.D.
Julie Collins serves as the Assistant Dean in the Office of Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid at the Medill School at Northwestern University. Julie has also worked in the financial aid offices at the Kellogg School of Management and the Chicago Financial Aid Office at Northwestern University. Read More.
Natalie Champagne
Natalie Champagne served as the Assistant Director of External Relations & Career Management for Northwestern University’s Master of Science in Biotechnology (MBP) program. Natalie is no longer at the University, but her contributions to our community are still celebrated. Read More.

Darnell Hines
As the Associate Dean of Alumni Relations and Development, Darnell Hines is responsible for major and annual gifts, alumni relations, and donor relations and stewardship at Northwestern Pritzker Law. Read More.

Series: Is It Just Me!

Mindset: Career Challenge or Opportunity

Conversations with facilitator Ellen Burton, the well-known author of ‘Workplace Civility,’ explore how perception can expand the strategic options for managing your career.

Your Response: The Only Thing You Can Control

Walter J. Crawford
Celebrating Black History Month

*The national theme for the 2022 Black History Month: “Black Health and Wellness”*

**Dr. Kenneth Washington**

*Centering Black Joy and Meaning in Life to Improve Our Collective Wellness*

**Ellen Burton**

*Wellness Practices...with ease! What it takes to maintain wellness.*

*Presentation / Additional Resources*