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## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As the 2020-2021 school year comes to a close, I first and foremost want to commend everyone on completing a full year of school online. Nothing prepared us for this, and if you made it to this point, you have succeeded. To those who have graduated this year, you are owed a very big congratulations (and an even bigger hug) for all your hard work. This past year or so has challenged each and every one of us to have patience, think outside of the box, and even pushed us over the edge at times, and we should be proud of how far we have come!



This term, Drexel SWE officially launched our High School Mentorship Program, with events like the College Student Panel and College Prep Name Association. We also hosted many hands-on events, including playing Just Dance! over Zoom, painting along with a Bob Ross video for art therapy, and learning about sustainability. We also hosted a Trivia Night for Pride Month and a panel for co-oping as an international student. One of my personal favorites this term was Senior Sendoff, where our graduating seniors were celebrated by other members of SWE.

Serving my entire term as president of Drexel SWE during a pandemic was definitely not what I had expected, but I wouldn't trade this experience for the world. After five years on the board, the thought of leaving is bittersweet, but I know Jillian Saunders will go above and beyond in her role as President for the 2021-2022 school year. There are a lot of changes in the SWE Board as a whole, but I have full confidence in this group. I cannot wait to see what Drexel SWE has in store as we get reaccustomed to life back on campus. Congratulations again to all who graduated this term and best of luck on your journey! To those still in classes, hang in there--you'll get to graduation before you know it!

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# MEMBERSHIP

## GBM #1

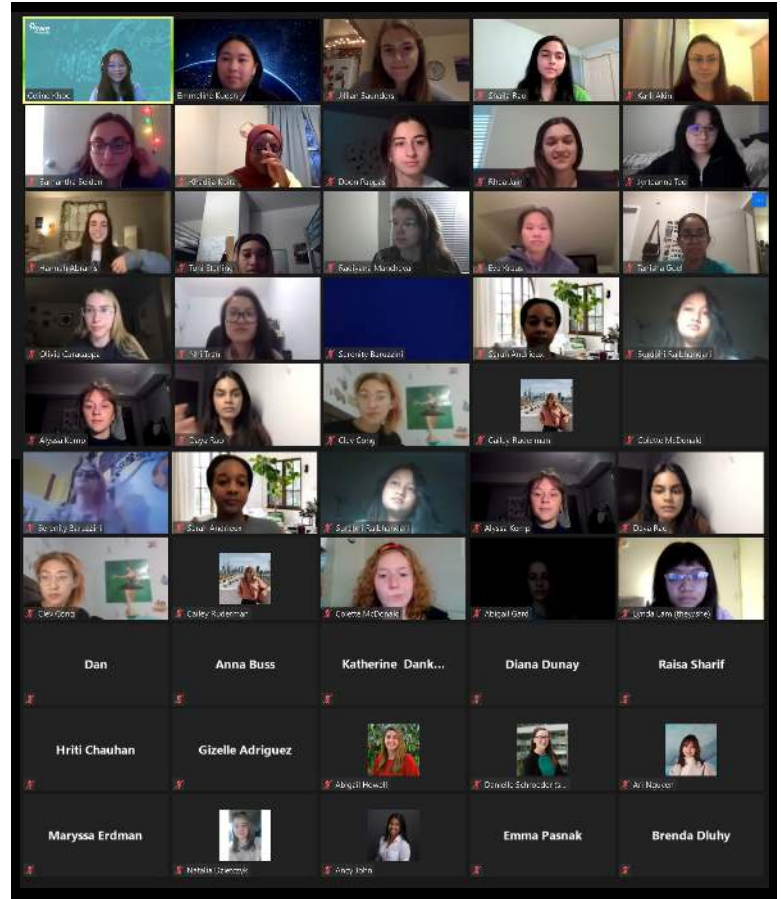
Membership's first event of the Spring term was GBM. As per usual, we were super excited about the awesome turnout and to introduce all of the events for the term. We had a great discussion about what SWE means to us and about how to get more involved in our section.

## SWE BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET NETFLIX PARTY

To wind down a bit from classes and co-op, we got together virtually in our Discord server to all watch Hidden Figures. This movie has become a real staple for our section and was a great way to relax and get to know each other better.

## GBM #2

For our second GBM, we continued the SWE update fun. It was a blast to introduce our executive and director board for the 2021-2022 year and to open up and talk about SWE chair applications and answer any questions members had.



## SENIOR SENDOFF

Membership's last event of the Spring term is always a little bittersweet. We got together to congratulate and send off our seniors who have been active members. It was wonderful to hear from them about their journeys through SWE and Drexel and to wish them the best in what will undoubtedly be a very successful next chapter. Thank you to all the new grads for all of your contributions, we'll miss you so make sure to stay in touch!

# WELLNESS

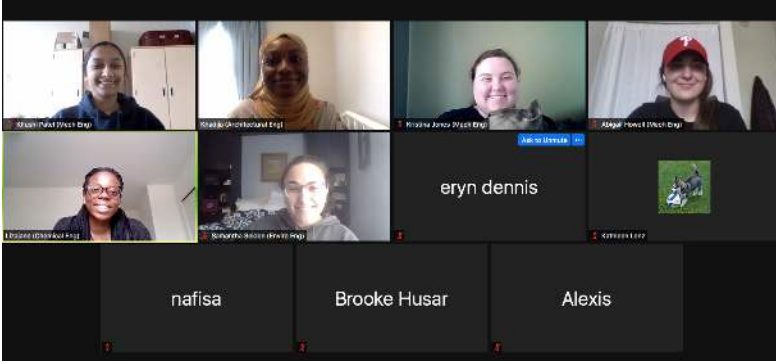
## JUST DANCE

During Week 5 of Spring term, the Wellness committee hosted its first ever Just Dance! We had asked members to submit their favorite Just Dance bops prior to the event so we could create a playlist that everyone enjoys. Those who joined the Zoom event were able to experience some of Just Dance's greatest dance routines, chat with other SWE members, or simply take a break from classes.

# OUTREACH

## NAME ASSOCIATION: COLLEGE PREP EDITION

During our last High School Mentorship event for the term the Outreach committee hosted an interactive college prep event where mentors and mentees were able to get to know one another and gain resources on topics ranging from scholarships, choosing the right college for you, and the first year experience!



## COLLEGE STUDENT PANEL

The Outreach Committee hosted the first College Student Panel as part of the High School Mentorship Program. During this event Mentors within various engineering disciplines shared knowledge and their expertise as women in engineering and their journey navigating college.

## BLACK GIRLS DO STEM: STRUCTURES PROJECT

The Outreach Committee volunteered as TAs in collaboration with the National Coalition of 100 Black Women for their STEM series! During the Structures project outreach volunteers aided young girls as they built their structures and learned about civil engineering and the forces that keep these structures stable!



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## CO-OP GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

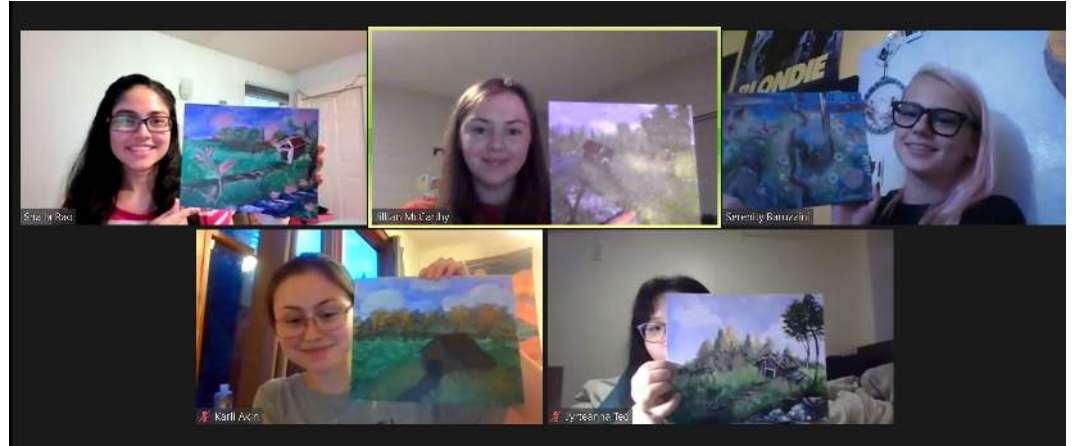
Fulfilling the promise from last quarter, the Professional Development Committee kicked off the quarter with resume reviews with a Lockheed Martin recruiter. Our members were able to sign up for a twenty minute one on one session with the recruiter to really pick out ways to make their resumes shine. We were lucky to be able to offer two full days of available time slots and glad that they were filled out. Thank you to Brian from Lockheed Martin for providing our members with this help!



# NETWORKING

## STUDY BREAK GAME NIGHT

The Networking Committee hosted a study break game night during the peak of midterm season. We used a new platform, backyard.co, for this term's game night. We had access to many more interactive online games. We played Doodle, Wordplay, and Codewords! It was a relaxing break from the stress of exams and a nice way to stay interactive with each other while being in a virtual setting!



## ART THERAPY

The Networking and Wellness committees collaborated to host their very first Art Therapy event during Week 9 of the Spring Term. Participants were sent their own art supplies, including acrylic paints, brushes, a canvas, and an easel. Everyone joined on Zoom to paint along together to the Bob Ross painting tutorial Meadow Stream. At the end of the painting session, participants displayed their amazing art for us all to see! Everyone seemed to have had a great time while we took a break from academics and work, chatted with one another, and had the chance to express our creative sides by making beautiful paintings together!

# DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

## PLANTING THE SEEDS OF SUSTAINABILITY

The Diversity and Inclusion committee started the spring quarter with a light hearted discussion based Earth Day event. The event began with a short presentation highlighting notable women in STEM in the sustainability profession. Tips on how to be more sustainable in your daily lives were given and all participants were sent seed packets to plant their own. The event was successful, and the presentation with the resources can be found here.

## ASK ME ANYTHING

The second event the Diversity and Inclusion committee hosted this quarter was a collaborative discussion based event with the Networking committee. The event featured SWE undergraduate, SWE professional mentors, and the HeForSWE ambassadors as panelists for students to ask them questions about their experiences being an advocate or working with male advocates. The male panelists talked about what motivated them to be advocates and some of the ways they have advocated for women in STEM. The female panelists talked about their experiences in STEM and interactions with male colleagues and advocates. The event was successful and the conversation was informational for everyone.

## PRIDE MONTH TRIVIA NIGHT

The third event the Diversity and Inclusion committee hosted this quarter was a trivia night to celebrate Pride month. The event was fun and informative and included a kahoot with different questions about LGBTQ+ history. The winner of the trivia night received a \$15 Target gift card, and everyone had a great time!

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Officer board applications are announced through our weekly member emails and social media posts. Societal membership is required to run and to vote.

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