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Outreach and Activism Task Force

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• Science outreach is a hallmark of the NGP, which has a long-running commitment to events such as BrainsRule! and programs such as Girls Who Code and F.E.M.M.E.S. Our students are also active in professional development organizations supporting underrepresented groups, such as SACNAS.

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• We have initiated peer mentoring connections with UM PREP students interested in neuroscience, pairing these students with faculty and graduate students for support and to help define next steps.

• This Task Force is also investigating ways to form new global exchanges between UM NGP and Latin American universities.