

## Call for Participation - Projekt **E**mpowerment für **S**tudierende mit **E**rfahrungen mit **R**assismus (**EStER**)

The project Empowerment for Students with Experiences of Racism (EStER) aims to create spaces for the exchange of strategies for action and to offer networking among those affected. EStER has different components: tandem groups, empowerment workshop, regulars' table, discourse and community. A supporting program consisting of an empowerment workshop (once a semester), regular get-togethers, an academic discussion on the topics of racism and decolonial critique (discourse) and events such as cultural evenings or picnics (community) will be organized by us in consultation with all participants. How many events you come to is of course up to you! The project is free of charge for all participants and open to people of all genders! Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about the whole program - we will help you to participate in the program as smoothly as possible. Here you can find an overview of the accompanying social program. The framework program is open to all interested students who are affected by racism. The events take place in German, but a translation can be provided upon request.



All dates at a glance:

Event	Location, Date (Times will be announced)	Who can come?
Welcome Brunch	21.10.2023 CNMS, Room Deutschhausstr 12 Raum (01A24)	BIPOC
Empowerment Poem Workshop	15.11.2023 Location will be announced	BIPOC
BIPOC OpenMic	Date and Location will be announced	Open for everyone
Black Our*Story Month – Panel Queer(ness) is African	February 2024 Location will be announced	Open for everyone

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Literally translated, empowerment means as much as "ability to act" - in a broader sense it means the strengthening of self-power. The EStER project does not understand empowerment as an individual call to action for those affected - rather, it pursues the institutional mission of reflecting on and critiquing structural forms of discrimination in order to initiate processes of change throughout the university and to improve study conditions for students throughout the course of their studies. To complement the tandem program, the Anti Discrimination Office therefore offers anti-discrimination training and other awareness-raising workshops to teachers and other university employees. For more information on the EStER project, visit: <https://uni-marburg.de/BsPkS>

### **Coordination EStER**

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Political positioning: Black/Darkskin cis-woman; Black German

Science of Education BA since October 2020

Tasks for EStER since October 2022:

- Conception and implementation of public relations
- Organization and implementation of the roundtable
- Organization of empowerment workshops
- Community Organizing

