1. Welcome

2. Guest Speaker - Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA)
   a. Joshua Adkins - BGSA President
   b. Talked about the role of BGSA
   c. Resources for students include:
      i. Mentoring - RISE (Relationship to Inspire Success & Excellent) is a mentorship program between undergraduate students and graduate students.
      ii. Online productivity space
   d. Upcoming events:
      i. Roots: Our African Genealogy, Feb 16, 2022 @5pm via zoom
      ii. Paint and Chill, Feb 12, 2022 @2:30pm, East Campus Atrium
      iii. Check website for more information https://bgsa.video.blog/
   e. Connect with BGSA via social media & UIC email

3. Guest Speaker - Heart Health
   a. Dr. Karen Vuckovic - College of Nursing and College of Medicine
b. Talked about heart health and *Life Simple 7*, a metric to maintain good heart health

c. Talk about *Go Red with Reclaim your Rhythm* an initiative to increase awareness of women’s heart health and be more active.

d. Monitoring risk factors like family history, age, weight, stress, etc

e. Broken Heart Syndrome (Takotsubo) occurs mostly in women.

f. Eat healthy, exercise, rest, and minimize stress

g. Take time in between zoom sessions to stretch

4. **Guest Speaker - Black Law Student Update**

   a. Erica Fatima gave an update on Black Law Students and their controversial professor

   b. The professor is on suspension for now and he is required to take racial sensitivity training.

   c. Professor currently filed a lawsuit against the school

   d. There had been some improvement and Policy change

   e. Rev Jesse Jackson, board of trustees, and senators have all lent their support to the students.

5. **GSC Budget & Spring 2022 Awards**

   a. Shravni Deshmukh - GSC Treasurer

   b. *Note:* There will be no Travel Award for this semester due to UIC policy on Covid-19 and in-person gatherings.

   c. Voted to increase conference award from $200 to $300

   d. Presented and voted on the budget
i. Project award $500

ii. Travel Award $300 (Only In-state conference for this semester)

iii. Conference award $300

6. GSC updates and announcement

a. Resume and cover letter workshop **Feb 22 @ 1pm** via zoom
   
   i. Spots available on first-come basis

   ii. Registration link:

   [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcSfYn7DZwIWMvEgl2svqYTj-ZMbrv0U6cSlq1rGlE6yp5HA/viewform?usp=pp_url](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcSfYn7DZwIWMvEgl2svqYTj-ZMbrv0U6cSlq1rGlE6yp5HA/viewform?usp=pp_url)

   iii. The zoom information will be shared prior to event.

b. Linkedin workshop Mar 29, 2022 @ 1pm

c. Professional headshot for LinkedIn date TBA

d. Comedy night event around finals week

e. Emotional support dogs/pets during finals week

f. Voted for GSC to support the Hispanic and Italian Studies student group to obtain a venue for their upcoming Bilingualism Forum in October, 2022

g. Voted on project award to cover a portion of the cost for the 6th Latin American film festival event hosted by the Hispanic and Italian Studies department.

h. **Note:** The Chancellor Awards deadlines has been extended to February 11th

   Link: [https://slce.uic.edu/leadership/awards/cssla/](https://slce.uic.edu/leadership/awards/cssla/)

7. Representative Sign-In and Adjournment