## MEET OUR PALS FOR FALL 2021

## Khangelani Mhlanga kmhlanga@ithaca.edu

Khangelani was born and raised in Harare, Zimbabwe. Most of the issues she advocates for, she has experienced first-hand, from tackling human-wildlife conflict in underrepresented communities, to promotion of cheap, safe, and shameless menstrual hygiene management. She's passionate about providing resources for international students and building a strong international community on campus so students don't feel isolated. Among the many things she does on campus, she is the International Senator, a member of the BOLD Women's Leadership Network, the President of the African Students Association, and the Pre-Veterinary Chair of the Ithaca College Pre-Health Society. She loves to meet new people and can't wait to connect with you all!

# Amulya Ravitej Bachala abachala@ithaca.edu

Amulya is a third-year English and Politics double major. Born and raised in the southern Indian city of Secunderabad, Amulya enjoys working with new students and has rich experience in interaction with diverse cultures from a very young age. She has been involved in educational and enriching cultural exchange programs in Europe, Australia, and India. On campus, she is an integral part of the leadership team for Ithaca College's New Voices Literary Festival and is a recent member of the BOLD Women's Leadership Network. She is looking forward to meeting new students and help introduce them to a new chapter of their lives!

## Sherleen Vargas <a href="mailto:svargas1@ithaca.edu">svargas1@ithaca.edu</a>

Sherleen has been living in NYC for almost 9 years but was born and raised in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. She uses She/They pronouns and is a third-year Occupational Therapy major with a psychology minor. She's a first-generation college student who loves making new friends and is part of multiple clubs across campus. She is passionate about advocating for social causes such as the BLM movement and LGBTQ+ rights. Sherleen enjoys inline skating and dancing and is part of Katalyst - a dance club on campus. She's eager to meet all of you and learn more about your cultures!

# John Milad jmilad@ithaca.edu

John is a third-year student with a Physical Therapy major and a Sport & Exercise Psychology minor. He lived in Alexandria, Egypt for 6 years but was born in Montreal, Canada, and currently resides in Ottawa, Canada. As an up-and-coming Resident Assistant, John is passionate about creating a diverse and safe space for all. He strives to create a healthy community away from home which is a necessity for students to be able to find themselves at college. John enjoys nothing more than watching and playing soccer in his spare time. He hopes to someday practice Physical Therapy for a young sports team and instill confidence and hope in his athletes. He looks forward to meeting all the new students and cannot wait to embark on this new journey with them!