



APhA-ASP Regional Officer Elections
Candidate for Regional Delegate – Region 7

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GOAL STATEMENT

My goals for regional delegate are to be able to further the connections between the different colleges of pharmacy throughout my region and get more students involved in policies that can affect pharmacists and pharmacy students across the different states. I also hope to show that policy making is something that is not overly complicated and that it is something that any student can get involved in and make an impact. To achieve these goals I hope to establish a good relationship with the different chapter leaders where they can feel comfortable to collaborate for co-hosted events and getting students connected with one another. I also hope to connect Policy Vice Presidents throughout my region so that they can get a chance to talk about and share what current pharmacy events are occurring in their states and how we can use our leadership positions to get involved and get others interested. APhA-ASP offers unique opportunities for students to shape the kind of work we will be involved in the future, and I want to share those opportunities and show that the next generation of pharmacists are ready and willing to help advance the profession as it grows and evolves.

BACKGROUND & EXPERIENCE

My leadership roles include serving as a student ambassador for my College of Pharmacy and as Policy Vice President for my school's APhA-ASP chapter.

Acting as a student ambassador has helped to strengthen my interpersonal communication skills and given me the opportunity to interact with different students, professors, and prospective individuals interested in pharmacy. I believe that from these interactions I will be able to more easily connect with and interact with students from all over my region. As Policy VP, I was able to learn more about the policy process and see just how much of a voice students can have when it comes to shaping the policy that will personally affect us now and in the future. Also, since I am now a bit more familiar with the policy process from the position of a Policy VP, I will be able to better give advice and help to the future students who will be in my position.

TALENTS & SKILLS

In my final year of undergrad I was able to be apart of a research project which grouped me with other health-based students from different universities in the Middle East. This unique opportunity allowed me to connect with and learn how to work alongside people whom I would have not been able to regularly, for a public health project that is to be implemented in an entirely different country. This taught me the value of what young and aspiring health-professionals are capable of achieving, and how we can be a part of impactful government initiatives.

PLANS AS REGIONAL DELEGATE

As an APhA-ASP Regional Delegate, how will you extend the involvement of student pharmacists in the APhA-ASP Policy Process and advocacy initiatives beyond chapter delegates and chapter policy vice presidents?

I will encourage chapter policy vice presidents and delegates to reach out to me for collaborative events or policy idea brainstorming. If there are policy vice presidents from different chapters who know that they will want to work on a policy idea together, I will encourage that they hold co-hosted events where other student pharmacists can involved, share their ideas, and mingle with and network with one another from different chapters in a unique space. I would also hope to collaborate with other Regional Delegates and get to know students from those regions as well.