



Candidate for the Office of APhA-ASP National Member-at-large

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GOAL STATEMENT

Goals:

1. Increase membership and engagement as chapters return to in-person learning by revitalizing the APhA-ASP Cookbook, a document for sharing event ideas with APhA-ASP chapters across the nation.
2. Ignite networking opportunities by introducing a companion chapter program and networking events .
3. Foster a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion for members and the patients we serve through thought-provoking exercises incorporated within APhA-ASP events.
4. Activate the advocate within each APhA-ASP member through engaging social media campaigns and encouraging collaborations with state and local associations.

Philosophy:

APhA-ASP has provided a wealth of opportunities to pharmacy students for more than fifty years. No matter your background or niche, you will find a home with APhA-ASP. The academy fosters lifelong learning, professional development, and strong connections with its members. As the future of pharmacy, the collective voices of innovative APhA-ASP members from every corner of the nation continue to push our beloved pharmacy profession forward.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

APhA-ASP Leadership Experience:

- Chapter Executive Vice President 2020-2022
- Region 8 Member-at-large 2020-2021
- Chapter President 2020-2020
- Chapter President-Elect 2019-2020
- Chapter Operation Heart/Diabetes Chair 2018-2019

Local Leadership Experience:

- PLW International Practice with Pride Co-Chair 2022
- PDC West Coast Colony Coordinator 2021-2022
- PDC Pacific Regional Director for Collegiate Affairs 2021-2022
- Sexuality and Gender Alliance Club Treasurer 2021-2022
- PLS Round Table Coordinator 2021-2022
- Rho Chi Chapter Academic Success Coordinator 2021-2022
- Admissions Committee Student Representative 2018-2020
- PDC Chapter Publication Editor 2019-2020
- PDC Worthy Prelate 2019-2020

PHILOSOPHIES ABOUT APhA

Membership and member engagement: Our members are the foundation of what makes APhA-ASP magical. The friendships and connections that foster innovative thinking shape the future of the academy and organization!

Leadership Opportunities: As the oldest and largest student lead organization, APhA-ASP provides more leadership opportunities than any other. If there is a spark within your soul for the profession, APhA-ASP will ignite a passion within you and provide a platform for you to harness your strengths and grow as your authentic self.

Projects: Our patient care, international, professional development, and career development projects are the workhorse of the academy's greatness. Through these projects, we make a positive impact in the community and meet the needs of our members and the patients we serve.

Policy & Advocacy: Through the policy process, students have the unique opportunity to address health care inequities, demand better working conditions, and make dreams a reality. Through advocacy, we make a massive impact on the trajectory of the pharmacy profession.

Awards & Scholarships: Incredible accomplishments deserve proper recognition. APhA-ASP awards and scholarships are a fantastic way to celebrate the outstanding work of chapters and members.

Meetings & Networking: APhA-ASP offers student pharmacists the largest array of professional meetings every year. At APhA Annual, students can meet with potential employers or make friends from California, Iowa, and Puerto Rico in a single weekend. Midyear Regional Meeting is unique in that it is the only professional meeting run by and designed for student pharmacists. Summer Leadership Institute allows students to learn leadership skills from some of the biggest hitters in pharmacy. The Institute on Substance Use Disorder is a heart-opening experience providing student pharmacists with tools to help fight the war on substance use. In-between events, APhA-ASP has many networking opportunities for students to gain practical skills and resources such as awareness of implicit bias.

Student Pharmacist Magazine: SPM caters to the student perspective and concerns. It is the hub for finding current news, inspiration, and advice. Students have the opportunity to get published in the national magazine and share their insights to.

Additional recourses: APhA-ASP members have clinical resources, publications, and podcasts at the tip of their fingers. Having a plethora of resources is one of the many reasons the academy is the complete package for pharmacy students.

SPECIALIZED SKILLS & TALENTS

It has been a pleasure to work in various roles within APhA-ASP over the last four years. As each year progresses, my understanding of the inner workings of the organization strengthens, and my love for the academy deepens. I am indebted to the association that has enriched the lives of generations of pharmacists and brought so much fulfillment to mine.

At the chapter level, I have served as Operation Heart/Diabetes Chair, Delegate, President-elect, President, and Executive Vice President. I have learned the joys and challenges that chapter leaders face with member engagement, advocacy, and reporting through these roles. It would be remiss if I did not mention the unmatched mentorships and friendships members experience through their involvement.

At the regional level, I was honored to serve as the Region 8 Member-at-large. Though the pandemic limited our ability to come together in person, I worked hard to support and connect chapters in new ways. Through the power of networking and collaboration, the region gained unimaginable reach. As I continue my journey within the academy, I look forward to celebrating chapter achievements in my new role as the Chair of the APhA-ASP National Standing Committee on Awards.

As your next National Member-at-large, I will pass down the wisdom imparted to me for your success. As in-person learning returns, I will foster a creative approach while your chapter reimagines its new legacy. I will do my very best to ensure all members make the most of their membership through APhA-ASP opportunities like policy and advocacy, leadership, scholarships and awards, and professional meetings. I promise to heed your concerns for improvements and celebrate your wins from the mountain tops. As a multiracial descendent of immigrants and a strong ally to the LGBTQIA+ community, I will cultivate a safe space for all student pharmacists to find connections with one another while supporting professional growth. Thank you for your time and consideration!