

Candidate for the Office of APhA-ASP Speaker of the House

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GOAL STATEMENT

As student pharmacists, one of the most effective ways for us to make a difference in our profession today is by getting involved in policy and advocacy. Your voices are valuable and worthy of being heard. As Speaker of the House, I will strive toward hearing ALL of your voices and elevating them for others to hear as well.

My experiences as Region 4 Delegate and as UKSGA Senate Chair have prepared me to preside over meetings, facilitate efficient and impactful discussions surrounding policy, and implement policies into actions. I am confident in my understanding of the APhA-ASP policy process and my skills to communicate with each of you to ensure that your ideas can be heard and brought to fruition. These experiences have equipped me for every responsibility of the role of Speaker of the House. Thank you for your consideration!

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

APhA-ASP Leadership Experience:

- Region 4 Regional Delegate 2020 2021
- Chapter President/President-elect 2020 2022
- Policy Vice President's PY1 Liaison 2019 2020

Kentucky Pharmacists Association Leadership Experience: Board Member 2021 – 2022

Local Leadership Experience:

- UK Student Government Senate Chair 2021 2022
- UK Student Government Senator 2020 2022
- UK Student Government Operations and Evaluations Committee Vice Chair 2020 2021
- Phi Lambda Sigma, Chi Chapter Secretary 2021 2022
- Lambda Kappa Sigma, Alpha Nu Chapter Social Chair 2020 2021

PHILOSOPHIES ABOUT APhA

My enthusiasm for the American Pharmacists Association and its Academy of Student Pharmacists was pronounced on my first day as a student in the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy and has only grown since. Entering this profession, I had a defined passion for the role of the pharmacist on the healthcare team. However, I quickly learned that the role of a patient advocate, medication expert, and communicator had applications beyond what I could have ever imagined before.

APhA serves to unite all pharmacists of all practice settings behind the common goal of driving the profession forward and better serving our patients. Participation in the activities of APhA-ASP prepares us all to do so throughout our careers and reminds us to focus on our "why" in this profession starting now. Our experiences in this organization prepare and propel us toward better leadership and better patient care.

SPECIALIZED SKILLS & TALENTS

As the University of Kentucky Student Government Association Senate Chair, I have spent the past year presiding over meetings of students from across campus in accordance with parliamentary procedure standards. My confidence in Robert's Rules of Order has enabled me to facilitate efficient policy discussions amongst the Senate while my passion for the organization has motivated me to take meaningful action to implement new policies. If elected APhA-ASP Speaker of the House, I will be empowered by this previous experience to lead our Academy similarly. When meetings are efficient, each attending member's potential to be heard is maximized. I am equipped to lead such meetings of the APhA-ASP House of Delegates, as well as the Resolutions and Reference Committees and the National Policy Standing Committee. My goal is to maintain the efficiency of these meetings to ensure that the opinions and interests of student pharmacists are at the forefront of decision making and action during my time as Speaker.

My familiarity with the APhA and APhA-ASP policy process specifically has even further prepared me to translate this experience into effective service as Speaker of the House. Closely observing my Chapter's participation in the policy process as a first-year student motivated me toward the role of Regional Delegate which I was honored to hold in Region 4 last year. This experience acquainted me with the APhA and APhA-ASP House of Delegates on the National level. Additionally, this experience afforded me the opportunity to communicate with National Executive Committee members, staff, other Regional Delegates, each Chapter's Delegate within my region, and other various student pharmacists from across the nation. Because of my experience in this role, I am confident in my knowledge of each step in the APhA-ASP policy process and my ability to make your voices heard throughout my leadership as Speaker of the House.

