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Apply for a position on the national Student Academy of Audiology (SAA) Board of Directors (BoD) and start your journey towards becoming a leader in the profession you love.

AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Elections will be held for the following positions:

- President-Elect (1)
- Member-at-Large (8)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The SAA Executive Committee is composed of the President, President-Elect, Past-President (ex-officio member), Secretary, and Communications Chair. The President and President-Elect positions are voted on by the SAA membership while the Secretary and Communications Chair are appointed by the SAA President from within the Members-at-Large. The Executive Committee is largely responsible for day-to-day governing, ensuring the organization's activities align with the mission and vision statements, and serving as a touchpoint for relationships within and outside of the SAA.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

There are a total of eight Members-at-Large on the SAA BoD, one of which will be appointed by the SAA President to be Secretary. The remaining seven will each be responsible for leading one SAA Committee*. The 2021-22 national SAA Committees are:

- CHAPTER RELATIONS COMMITTEE to increase chapter membership, engagement, collaboration, and communication at the undergraduate and graduate level, through outreach, recognition, and resource development.
- COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE to connect and inform students about the profession of audiology, including current issues and important topics relating specifically to audiology students, through the use of SAA and Academy-sponsored communication outlets.
- EDUCATION COMMITTEE to thoroughly explore the current student needs surrounding audiology education and the externship process both as it currently exists and as it prepares students for a changing professional landscape and scope of practice and to share these findings with appropriate stakeholders in audiology education. To foster the development of students interested

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in research and other surging opportunities within the field of audiology. To foment novel research, educate on trending special topics, and empower students to learn more about their opportunities within the field of audiology.

- MEMBER RELATIONS COMMITTEE to increase individual membership, engagement, collaboration, and communication at the undergraduate and graduate levels, through outreach, recognition, and resource development.
- PROGRAMS COMMITTEE to organize, coordinate, and promote programming which is relevant and useful to all audiology students. Programs include but are not limited to educational workshops, social events, networking, and leadership development opportunities during the annual AAA Conference, SAA Conference, and throughout the year. *Note: this committee has two chairs.
- PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE to provide and promote humanitarian services and information, and support involvement through established relationships and the creation of new organizational partnerships. To promote the audiology profession to students and the general population through public awareness, education, and governmental relations on local and national levels.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to the above, all SAA Board of Directors are responsible for the following:

- Understand and advocate on behalf of the mission and vision of the Academy enterprise and the national SAA.
- Serve as a role model for the SAA membership.
- Attend and actively participate in monthly BoD meetings.
- Host monthly committee meetings, if applicable.
- Respond to communications in a timely manner.
- Carry out official SAA business throughout your elected term.
- Complete accurate and thorough documentation of all events, initiatives, resources, etc.
- Attend and summarize items from Academy liaison meetings, if applicable.
- Annually renew your national SAA membership.

Being a part of the national SAA Board of Directors will give you the unique opportunity to connect with audiology students from around the nation, make a lasting impact on our profession, and, most importantly, develop leadership skills that will serve you for a lifetime. If you have any questions about the nominations process or roles and responsibilities, contact SAA Past-President, <u>Stephanie Tittle</u>, AuD.