

DCPA Student Leadership

The Executive Committee (EC) works as a unit to advise, guide and consult with the full Student Committee, with one member (the chair) taking the lead during his/her tenure. The EC acts as a steering committee for the Student Committee and is responsible for developing priorities and charges to committee members consistent with the goals of DCPA. The Executive Committee presides over the full Student Committee and acts on behalf of the full committee.

Chair tasks

- Takes the primary lead in the EC presiding over the Student Committee.
- Oversees and prioritizes issues for all business meetings.
- Conducts the fall and spring business meeting and committee conference calls.
- Sets the agenda for EC biweekly conference calls.
- Primary Student Committee point of contact for other DCPA and affiliated groups, fielding questions and requests and representing the collective voice of students to these other DCPA and affiliated entities.
- Serves as ex-officio member of all student subcommittees, task forces and work groups (may participate in related conference calls and other meetings at the chair's discretion).
- Makes official charges to the committee for priorities based on consensus, constituency needs/interests and from larger charges made by DCPA.
- Fields requests for other student groups to establish linkages to the Student Committee and assigns these students to existing committee members based on reciprocal needs, interests and concerns.
- Makes preliminary appointments for subcommittee, task force and work group chairs, in consultation with the EC.
- Makes preliminary appointment for official liaisons, in consultation with the EC.
- Serves as the EC liaison (for more direct mentoring/oversight) for one-third of the student committee members, subcommittee chairs, task force chairs and work group chairs.
- Serves as an official liaison for some of the established/future Student Committee liaisons.
- Reports on EC, chair and official liaison activities to the full Student Committee via the committee email list and at business meetings.
- Writes articles for a periodic student chair column in the DCPA newsletter

Past-Chair tasks

- Serves as a consultant to the chair in performing the above duties.
- Serves as the "treasurer" for Student Committee.
- Oversees and coordinates the annual elections process.
- Serves as the EC liaison (for more direct mentoring/oversight) for one-third of the Student committee members, subcommittee chairs, task force chairs and work group chairs.
- Serves in prescribed liaison roles reserved for the Student Committee past-chair.
- Reports on past-chair and official liaison activities to the full Student Committee via the committee email list and at business meetings.

Chair-Elect tasks

- Participates in all EC activity to prepare for chair year.
- Serves as the EC liaison (for more direct mentoring/oversight) for one-third of the Student Committee members, subcommittee chairs, task force chairs and work group chairs.
- Serves in prescribed liaison roles reserved for the Student Committee chair-elect.
- Serves as an official liaison for some of the established Student Committee liaisons; sometimes the chair-elect will take on relatively more of these liaison roles to help acclimate him/her to the work of the subcommittees, task forces and working groups.
- Reports on chair-elect and official liaison activities to the full Student Committee via the committee email list and at business meeting.
- Will prepare to serve during chair and/or past-chair year as the Student Committee voting member and nonvoting member on the DCPA Board of Directors.

Campus Representatives

The role of the campus representative is to assist the DCPA Student Committee in spreading the word about upcoming DCPA workshops, social events, and other resources available through the DCPA, as well as participate in student committee events and planning. The best part of being a campus representative is that you will have the opportunity to network with seasoned psychological professionals and peers, all while proudly representing your program. Two Campus Reps can be selected per university program.

Please consider assisting the committee in our efforts by applying for a Campus Representative position.

If you are interested in becoming a campus representative, please send us an email and briefly tell us about yourself and your program at dcpa.students@gmail.com.