

## **Who's Who at AMSA and How Can They Help You?**

AMSA is a big organization with lots of people to help you make the best learning experience for your institute participants.

### **AMSA Academy**

*AMSA Academy is a group of people who have expertise in learning objectives and setting up a standardized educational program. You should come to AMSA Academy with any questions that you have involving the logistics of setting up your program, like how to set up a budget, how to advertise, how to communicate with your dean or deans of other medical school, or how to find grants to support your institute. After looking through the guide and the materials on this site, if you have any further questions, you can contact AMSA Academy.*

#### **Director: Jennifer Karlin**

[academy.director@amsa.org](mailto:academy.director@amsa.org)

*Write to the director if your question does not seem to fall under any of the other categories.*

#### **Communications and Marketing Officer: Shannon Barrow**

[academy.communications@amsa.org](mailto:academy.communications@amsa.org)

*Write to the CMO if you have any questions regarding how to advertise or market your institute, how to talk to alumni, how to talk to deans, anything that has to do with communication to your participants and any audience about your institute.*

#### **Business Officer: Marina Zeltzer**

[academy.business@amsa.org](mailto:academy.business@amsa.org)

*Write to the Business officer if you have any questions about how to fund your institute. The business officer will help you figure out expenses, Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) and revenue for your institute in addition to helping you creatively think about funding and grant sources.*

#### **Education Officers: Andrea Brandon and Michelle Sullivan**

[academy.education1@amsa.org](mailto:academy.education1@amsa.org) and [academy.education2@amsa.org](mailto:academy.education2@amsa.org), respectively

*Write to the education officers for any question regarding curriculum development, learning objectives, and outcome assessments.*

### **Student Office Fellows**

*Student office fellows are hired as staff people for a year at AMSA. There are three student office fellows at AMSA. Two of the student office fellows have specific tasks.*

### **Health Justice Fellow: Dan Henderson**

[hj@amsa.org](mailto:hjf@amsa.org)

*If your institute overlaps the content area of health justice or equity, and have any questions regarding how to integrate those areas into your institute, you should contact the Health Justice Fellow.*

### **Legislative Director: Farheen Qurashi**

[jrld@amsa.org](mailto:jrld@amsa.org)

*If you plan of organizing a lobby day or any other type of direct action political activities for your institute, you should contact the Legislative Director.*

### **Director of Student Programming (DSP): Laura Erickson-Schroth**

[dsp@amsa.org](mailto:dsp@amsa.org)

*Contact the DSP if you have any questions at all that are not answered, and/or if you want to be in touch with AMSA staff. Please contact the DSP immediately to accept your position as a coordinator, and to set up a date for your institute. The DSP will also get you in touch with staff to help you with your budgeting. .*

### **Staff at the AMSA office who will be a direct help for your institute:**

**AMSA's Webmaster: Kris Friedrich**

[webmaster@amsa.org](mailto:webmaster@amsa.org)

*For updating your institute website, contact AMSA's Webmaster.*

**AMSA's Public Relations: Kim Becker**

[pr@amsa.org](mailto:pr@amsa.org)

*For all marketing/publicity deadlines, contact AMSA's Public Relations.*

**AMSA's Executive Assistant: Shameka Sharp**

[ssharpe@amsa.org](mailto:ssharpe@amsa.org)

*For hotel and food issues, contact AMSA's Executive Assistant.*

**AMSA's Membership Services: Jennifer Salehi, Database Manager**

[jsalehi@amsa.org](mailto:jsalehi@amsa.org)

*Contact Membership Services to confirm that accepted participants are AMSA members.*

**AMSA's Interim Director of Administration and Governance: Janet Soller**

[jsoller@amsa.org](mailto:jsoller@amsa.org)

*For transportation issues, and to work on your budget for the institute, contact Janet.*

### **Action Committees and Interest Groups**

*Action Committees (AC) are the programming heavyweights of AMSA. They are broken down into content areas. Many of our institutes were developed by people involved in an*

*Action Committee. As such, your institute may overlap heavily with one or two of the action committees. You should go to the chairs of the action committee which overlaps with your content area to get help with developing the content for your institute and for getting help with finding faculty to support your institute. As experts on their content area, Action Committee Chairs will know about leading issues in your area. They might also know about funding opportunities. Finally, they will be able to help support you by providing other leaders and participants to help develop and attend your institute. They have access to particular listserves which outreach to people who are interested in that content area, so they are a great way to advertise and to harness energy.*

Here are the people to contact for the different content areas:

### **Action Committees**

Community & Environmental Health	<a href="#">Sonia Lazreg</a>
Culture of Medicine	<a href="#">Ben Goold</a>
Education	<a href="#">Matthew Stull</a>
Gender & Sexuality	<a href="#">Jewel Kling</a>
Global	<a href="#">Saira Alimohamed</a>
Grassroots Leadership	<a href="#">Andrea Knittel</a>
Humanistic Medicine	<a href="#">Priti Shah</a>
Policy	<a href="#">Sylvia Thompson</a>
Premed	<a href="#">Ken Williams</a>
Race, Ethnicity and Culture in Health	<a href="#">Anandani Nellan</a>
Student Life	<a href="#">Eric Mehlberg</a>

### **Interest Groups**

*Similar to Action Committees, Interest Groups are broken down by content areas. Some are more specific to a particular concept. In addition, they are content areas which are more specific to kinds of practices of medicine. You may find it helpful to contact the leaders of these interest groups with questions similar to the ones that you may have for Action Committee Chairs. If you know that your institute directly overlaps one of the interest group content areas, contact that Interest Group leader. Below are the Interest Groups and their coordinators.*

Business in Medicine	<a href="#">Aalap Majmudar</a>
Child & Adolescent Health	<a href="#">Emily Allen</a>
Death & Dying	<a href="#">John Parr</a>
Geriatrics	<a href="#">Amy Lohman</a>
Mental Health	<a href="#">Shawnay Mazell</a>
Military Medicine	<a href="#">Benjamin Ekstrom</a>
Naturopathic Medicine	<a href="#">Mark Davis</a>
Neurology	<a href="#">Anthony Leonard</a>

Osteopathic Medicine  
Primary Care  
Preventive Medicine  
Surgery

[Stephanie Betts](#)  
[Alexandria Howard](#)  
[Imani Owens-Bailey](#)  
[Lily Gutnik](#)

### **Immediate Past Program Coordinators**

*Contact past program coordinators for their advice and previous year's materials.*

In alphabetical order according to institute title:

#### **AIDS Leadership Institute**

Laura Frye  
[laurakfrye@gmail.com](mailto:laurakfrye@gmail.com)

#### **Circle of Healer's Retreat**

Sahana D'Silva  
[sahanadsilva@gmail.com](mailto:sahanadsilva@gmail.com)

#### **Community and Public Health Institute**

Lala Yogendron  
[ceh.education@amsa.org](mailto:ceh.education@amsa.org)

#### **Curricular Reform Leadership Institute**

Rebecca Sadun  
[apoptosisgirl2@gmail.com](mailto:apoptosisgirl2@gmail.com)

#### **Environmental Health Leadership Institute**

Sonia Lazreg  
[ceh.chair@amsa.org](mailto:ceh.chair@amsa.org)

#### **Global Health Leadership Institute**

Sae-Rom Chae  
[saeromchae@gmail.com](mailto:saeromchae@gmail.com)

#### **Health Equity Leadership Institute**

Leah Bennett  
[leahb@email.arizona.edu](mailto:leahb@email.arizona.edu)

#### **LGBT Chapter Leaders' Summit**

Weston Fisher  
[wfisher1@gmail.com](mailto:wfisher1@gmail.com)

#### **Mental Health Leadership Institute**

Kate Hawk  
[Kathryn.Hawk@gmail.com](mailto:Kathryn.Hawk@gmail.com)

**Microbicides Leadership Institute**

Saira Alimohamed

[saira@brown.edu](mailto:saira@brown.edu)

**Patient Safety and Professionalism**

Jack Rusley, Marina Zeltser, Ann O'Conner, David Rand

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**Paul Ambrose Health Care for All Leadership Institute (PAHCALI)**

Mary Carol Jennings

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**PharmFree Leadership Institute**

Jack Rusley, Nitin Roper

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**Premedical Global Health Institute**

Courtney Barry

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**Premedical Leadership Institute**

Tej Nuthulaganti

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**Seacouver**

Jon Wells, Colin McCluney

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**Spirituality in Medicine Institute**

Sahana D'Silva

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**T4: Training Tomorrow's Teachers Today**

Michelle Sullivan

[michelle.sullivan@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:michelle.sullivan@vanderbilt.edu)

**Women's Empowerment Institute**

Margaret Reynolds May

[Margaret.Reynolds.May@gmail.com](mailto:Margaret.Reynolds.May@gmail.com)

**Current Coordinators and Programs**

**Fall/Winter Institutes**

**Paul Ambrose Health Care for All Leadership Institute (PAHCALI)**

Sept. 26-27, 2009

Coordinator: Farheen Qurashi, [jrld@amsa.org](mailto:jrld@amsa.org)

**Global Health Leadership Institute (GHLI)**

Oct. 11–12, 2009

Coordinator: Byron Miller, [bmiller2@neoucom.edu](mailto:bmiller2@neoucom.edu), and Hana Akselrod, [hana.akselrod@gmail.com](mailto:hana.akselrod@gmail.com)

**Premedical Global Health Leadership Institute**

Oct. 11-12, 2009

Coordinator: Jennsy Rojina, [jrojina@stanford.edu](mailto:jrojina@stanford.edu), and Carissa Chu, [carissachu@gmail.com](mailto:carissachu@gmail.com)

**AIDS Leadership Institute (ALI)**

October 24–25, 2009

Coordinator: Kristin Austad, [keustad@gmail.com](mailto:keustad@gmail.com), and Merrian Brooks, [aan.chair@amsa.org](mailto:aan.chair@amsa.org)

**Patient Safety and Quality Leadership Institute**

Jan. 9-10, 2009

Coordinator: Boris Rozenfeld, [borisrozenfeld@gmail.com](mailto:borisrozenfeld@gmail.com)

**Health Equity Leadership Institute**

Jan. 15-17, 2010

Coordinator: Betty Chung, [reach.grassroots@amsa.org](mailto:reach.grassroots@amsa.org)

**Community and Public Health Institute (CPHI)**

January 22–25, 2010

Coordinator: Tania Maria Caballero, [tania\\_cab@yahoo.com](mailto:tania_cab@yahoo.com)

**International Women's Health Leadership Institute**

Jan. 30–31, 2010

Coordinator: Hana Akselrod, [hana.akselrod@gmail.com](mailto:hana.akselrod@gmail.com)

**LEAPS into IM (Leadership and Education Program for Students in Integrative Medicine)**

June, 2010

Coordinator: Neda Kaveh, [nkaveh@gmail.com](mailto:nkaveh@gmail.com)

**SeaCouver**

Feb. 3-7, 2010

Coordinator: Jessie Whitfield, [jwhitfi6@slu.edu](mailto:jwhitfi6@slu.edu)

**Spirituality in Medicine Leadership Institute (SIM)**

TBD

Coordinator: Ryan Kearney, [ryandkearney@gmail.com](mailto:ryandkearney@gmail.com)

**Student Debt and Workforce Institute**

Feb. 6–7, 2010

Coordinator: H. Matt Moy, [Hawnyeu.Moy@gmail.com](mailto:Hawnyeu.Moy@gmail.com)

**Spring/summer Institutes:**

**Curriculum Reform Leadership Institute**

Date: TBD

Location: AMSA National Office, Reston, VA

Coordinators: Matthew Stull, [education.chair@amsa.org](mailto:education.chair@amsa.org), and Andrea Brandon, [academy.education1@amsa.org](mailto:academy.education1@amsa.org), and Michelle Sullivan [academy.education2@amsa.org](mailto:academy.education2@amsa.org)

**T4**

Date: TBD

Location: AMSA National Office, Reston, VA

Coordinator: Nida Degesys, [ndegesys@gmail.com](mailto:ndegesys@gmail.com)

### **Grassroots**

Date: April 16-18, 2010

Location: Seattle, Washington

Coordinator: Luis Manriquez, [lmanriquez@gmail.com](mailto:lmanriquez@gmail.com) and Susan Lewis, [global.grassroots@amsa.org](mailto:global.grassroots@amsa.org)

### **Journalism**

Date: TBD

Location: AMSA National, Reston VA

Coordinator: Julie Michie, [julia.michie@gmail.com](mailto:julia.michie@gmail.com)

### **Writers Institute**

Date: TBD

Location: AMSA National, Reston VA

Coordinator: Katherine Ellington, [ellkatd@gmail.com](mailto:ellkatd@gmail.com) and Aliye Runyan, [arunyan@med.miami.edu](mailto:arunyan@med.miami.edu)

### **Native American Health**

Date: TBD

Location: Albuquerque, NM

Coordinator: Anthony Fleg, [afleg@salud.unm.edu](mailto:afleg@salud.unm.edu)

### **LGBT**

Date: April, 2010

Location: California

Coordinator: Corey White, [corey.white@nv.touro.edu](mailto:corey.white@nv.touro.edu)

### **Women's Empowerment Institute (WEI)**

Date: February 27–28, 2010

Location: AMSA National, Reston VA

Coordinator: Jenny Knoester, [jenny.knoester@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.knoester@gmail.com) and April Singleton ([april\\_singleton@hotmail.com](mailto:april_singleton@hotmail.com))

**Integrative, Complementary and Alternative Medicine (ICAM) Institute**

Date: TBD

Location: TBD

Coordinator: Neda Kaveh, [nkaveh@gmail.com](mailto:nkaveh@gmail.com)

**PharmFree Institute**

Date: TBD

Location: AMSA National Office, Reston VA

Coordinator: Chris Manz, [crm10@duke.edu](mailto:crm10@duke.edu)

**Humanistic Elective in Alternative Medicine, Activism and Reflective Transformation (HEART)**

Date: TBD

Coordinator: Jaimie Johnson, [jmjohnso@ufl.edu](mailto:jmjohnso@ufl.edu)

**Ongoing Scholars Programs:**

**Global Health Scholars Program**

Ongoing, Fall – Spring

Coordinator: Patrick Francis, [Patrick\\_Francis@URMC.Rochester.edu](mailto:Patrick_Francis@URMC.Rochester.edu)

**Health Equity Scholars Program**

Ongoing, Fall – Spring

Coordinator: Anthony Clarke, [aa\\_clarke@yahoo.com](mailto:aa_clarke@yahoo.com)

**Medical Humanities Scholars Program**

Ongoing, Fall – Spring

Coordinator: Aliye Runyan, [arunyan@med.miami.edu](mailto:arunyan@med.miami.edu)

**Sexual Health Scholars Program**

Ongoing, Fall – Spring

Coordinator: Rebecca Bak, [lgbt.education@amsa.org](mailto:lgbt.education@amsa.org)