

Britani Martinez, OMS-II

Candidate for Vice President of Membership
D.O. Candidate, Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine

Dear AMSA Members,

I am very excited to announce my candidacy for the Vice President of Membership position. AMSA has been a large part of my life now for nearly seven years and has shaped the person that I have become and the person that I hope to be. I am so grateful to this organization for giving me the tools that I need to succeed and showing me that it actually does take more than medical school to make a physician.

I began my journey with AMSA in the fall of 2005 after deciding that I wanted to become a doctor. Being the first person in my family to go to college, I had no idea what it took to become a physician, let alone to become a premedical student. I remember seeing a sign for this "AMSA" club and decided to check it out. Little did I know that this would change the course of my life. That same year, I attended my first National Convention and consequently, my first rally for patient care. This completely changed my perspective on what it meant to be a medical student; I discovered that I actually had a voice and could use it to affect change. From there, I decided that this was the organization that would teach me how to become an active leader in my community. I started out as my Director of Marketing for my premedical chapter and then Vice President the next year. After some urging from a friend, I ran for a National Position- Premedical Regional Director. This position only strengthened my love for AMSA and my passion for activism. Being able to work with students from around Florida was an amazing experience, making sure that they were connected to AMSA and had the tools that they needed to make a difference.

After being accepted to medical school, I knew that I had to remain involved. Currently, I am the NSU Chapter President in addition to serving on the AMSA National Board of Regional Directors. I have absolutely loved the time that I have spent in both roles this year and I still feel the same excitement each time I speak to medical students, knowing that I have inspired them to do more, that they too can use their voices to affect change. I believe that my long-term experience in this organization has prepared me for the important role of serving on the Board of Trustees. Over the years, I have excelled in each position by focusing heavily on membership and engagement. I have participated in every membership capacity available up to this point and I am ready to take the next step. I believe that AMSA is at a crossroads and now is the time for an innovative leader to think outside the box and to make sure our membership is strong and that our voice continues to make a lasting impact. One of my goals is to motivate students, to help them find their passion and become activists in their own right. I believe I can accomplish this by creating close ties within the Board of Regional Directors to facilitate effective communication with our members. After seven years, I am fully committed to this position and all of the responsibilities it entails and I look forward to the wonderful year ahead. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Britani Martinez

Curriculum Vitae

Britani Martinez

Academic Background:

D.O. Candidate, 2010-present

Nova Southeastern University, College of Osteopathic Medicine
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Bachelor of Science, Biology: Premedical/Preprofessional, 2009

Florida Atlantic University, Department of Biological Sciences
Boca Raton, Florida

Professional Associations:

- American Medical Student Association Fall 2005-Present
- Student Osteopathic Medical Association Fall 2010-Present
- American Osteopathic Association Fall 2010-Present
- Florida Osteopathic Medical Association Fall 2011-Present
- American College of Pediatrics Fall 2011- Present

Professional Experience:

Board of Regional Directors, Region 5, National AMSA 4/11- Present

Responsible for coordination of AMSA activities for all of the Medical Schools throughout Florida as the link between National and Local AMSA. Advise local chapters on programming and member engagement. Responsible for planning and coordinating the Chapter Officer Conference, Regional, and National Conferences, which requires traveling to the conference destination to oversee on-site activities. Also participates in writing, revising, and co-sponsoring Resolutions for the AMSA National House of Delegates in addition to participating in the House of Delegates.

NSU Chapter President, Local AMSA 4/11- Present

Responsible for all member engagement and recruitment. Sets up local programming, marketing, and volunteer activities for chapter members. With the REACH Fair Director, responsible for coordination of the efforts to set up this vital yearly health fair. Makes sure that members are aware of all of the opportunities afforded to them in this organization, including traveling to the Chapter Officers Conference, Regional Conference, and National Conference.

REACH Fair Committee Member, Local AMSA 12/10-4/11

This is a rural medicine volunteer fair where NSU students will treat thousands of the underserved community in Central Florida. Responsible for coordination of all faculty, staff, and students as well as organization of accommodations, student applications, and set-up for the fair itself.

Premedical Liaison, Local AMSA 12/10- 4/11

Responsible for all coordination efforts between Medical and Premedical NSU AMSA members. Helps to organize events to put on for Premedical AMSA and works with their president to come up with new and insightful events for premedical students.

House of Delegates Advisor, Local SOMA 9/10-4/11

Responsible for writing resolutions that are pertinent to osteopathic medical students and presenting these resolutions at the upcoming National SOMA Conference. Also responsible for collaboration between local officers in the process of writing resolutions.

Premedical Regional Director, National AMSA 3/09-3/10

Responsible for coordination of AMSA activities for over 2000 premedical students at 16 universities and colleges throughout Florida. Advise local chapters on programming and member engagement. Responsible for planning and coordinating Chapter Officer Conference, Regional and National Conferences which requires traveling to the conference destination to oversee on-site activities. Work with outside organizations, such as the Committee of Interns and Residents, to enhance premedical opportunities in Florida.

Vice President, Local AMSA 6/08-6/09

Responsible for the coordination of officer activities for 12 officers and when needed, fulfilled these responsibilities. Arranged for speakers for meetings and also planned and led various events throughout the year. Helped advise incoming premedical students as well as officers on premedical subject matter. Traveled to the National Conference to gain leadership experience.

Director of Marketing, Local AMSA 12/06-6/08

Oversaw all marketing ventures for group. Responsibilities included coordination and advertising for all meetings and activities, resulting in a membership improvement from 10 students to 80 students while in this position.

Health Fair Committee Member, Florida Atlantic University 11/07-3/08

Responsible for all marketing ventures for this Committee. Responsibilities included advertising through flyers, campus television, newspaper, and radio. Also helped to recruit and coordinate volunteers and helped set up presentations for representatives and Deans from different Universities.

Scholarships/Honors:

AMSA Legacy of Leadership Award (2011)
Certificate of Appreciation for REACH Fair Committee (2011)
Local AMSA Outstanding Member Award (2009)
Bright Future's Scholarship (2005-2009)

Professional Development:

Participated in the AOA National Conference 2011
Produced AMSA Chapter Officer Regional Forum 2011
Participated in AMSA National Conferences in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011
Participated in AMSA Regional Conference in 2007, 2010
Participated in Chapter Officer's Conference in 2010
Participated in the FAU Leadership Institute 2008

Volunteer Experience:

Sigma Sigma Phi, COMPals **Fall 2011-Present**
Work with premedical students to inform them about medical school and how to get more involved with both their premedical and medical education.

Sigma Sigma Phi, Medical Explorers **Fall 2010-Present**
Do interactive and medically relevant activities as well as mentor high school students that are interested in the pursuit of medicine

Gilda's Club **2009, 2010**
Interacted with children affected by cancer

FAU Science Olympiad **2009**
Helped teach children Environmental Chemistry for the Olympiad

Relay for Life Captain **2008, 2009, 2012**
Raised money for cancer research

Heartwalk Captain **2007, 2008**
Raised money for heart disease awareness

Susan J. Komen, Race for the Cure **2008**