

As a past premedical regional director for the American Medical Student Association (AMSA), I had the opportunity to contribute my time and dedication to the organization. Experiences and skills that I had learned during that time became one of the reasons why I chose to continue leadership in medical school. Reason for writing this is to be part of the AMSA team once more, and to serve as one of the regional directors. After serving as the premedical region director for about two years, I decided to join the Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA). Currently, the position I hold is National Publication Chair, and this has provided ample opportunity and valuable insight into the importance of other leadership positions.

To add on to my past AMSA experience, besides serving as a premedical regional director for region 2 and 3, I was also a local leader at the AMSA chapter for Valencia College and The Ohio State University (OSU) premedical chapters. Additionally, with the help of my former team leaders at OSU, we were able to initiate some interest at the Columbus Community College. In terms of national work, the past premedical team and I were able to increase recruitment in several regions with some breaking past record numbers. Some of the key ways to reach out to communities was by means of telecommunications, which was proven to be effective. To have the chance to work with the AMSA team to accomplish similar goals and to promote more awareness and involvement of AMSA would be significant. As a regional director, I would always make sure to fulfill my duties and to uphold all of the policies and requirements of this position.

As for my recent placement in LMSA, I believe there is valuable information that can be translated between both organizations. If I were given the opportunity to serve under AMSA, then goal of mine would be to create some form of bilateral initiatives, and stronger ties between the organizations. This is secondary tasking to the primary goals of the regional director position. Not only would I work at the national level, but at the community level as well. Working to contribute as much AMSA -just as I did in the past and more- would be my main target as a regional director.