

Please explain why you are interested in serving as the next President-Elect:

I have always felt a strong affinity towards PCACAC and have consistently wanted to serve our mission and goals in many different capacities. As I am concluding my latest role as Co-Chair of Summer Institute, I have been interested in continuing my presence as part of the Executive Board. Now that I am entering my 36th year of our mutual professions (both college counseling and admissions), I feel that my skills involving leadership, empowering/supporting others, and organization could serve PCACAC well. If I were to be elected, one of my goals is connect more of our community with others/services that could enhance and benefit our organization. Additionally, I will continue to strive to bring more diverse voices and areas of engagement with other members that can enhance and elevate our work to serve our community.

Please list your professional experience (PCACAC, NACAC, other professional organizations) and how it has prepared you for the PCACAC Leadership Team position you seek:

PCACAC - Delegate, Membership Chair, Summer Institute Co-Chair, SI Faculty, Conference Presenter
NACAC - Presenter at various conferences (Los Angeles, Toronto, San Francisco, Saint Louis, etc.)
NACAC Local Arrangements Committee - Baltimore – Membership NACAC Ad-Hoc Committee Member, Reimagining the NACAC-Affiliate Partnership, 2021-22
Through these experiences, I feel that I have gained a wealth of different perspectives from those I have encountered, as well as a deeper understanding of our organizations. I feel that these specific levels of engagement will prepare me for the multitude of different duties/responsibilities with this position. I also feel that understanding the complexities of our associations allows those in leadership to handle specific situations in a more holistic way which I strive to do in all areas of my life.

Please explain how your professional experience has prepared you to be an effective President-Elect:

I am proud to have been a member of PCACAC for over 20 years and feel that the professional development sponsored by our organization has helped me grow and effectively collaborate in many ways. From assisting with the re-launch of the Ann Powell Mentor Program to being Membership Chair, my passion for connecting with others and helping our members reach their individual goals. I have displayed the qualities needed for becoming President Elect within my own professional experiences through empowering students, families, and my colleagues in their respective roles. I honestly feel that the best reward one can receive is to help others understand their own personal power and how they can achieve their goals. I strongly feel that having a Masters in Social Work has provided me with a unique outlook on people and their roles with the college admissions process. I strive to understand others and exude a authentic sense of empathy that will help our community during my time in this position.

Please list PCACAC involvement along with dates (examples include committee membership, committee leadership, SIG's, Summer Institute Chair/Faculty):

- Membership Chair 2013-2018
- Ann Powell Mentor Program 2022-current
- Delegate 2015-2018
- Summer Institute Faculty, 2016-2023
- Summer Institute Co-Chair 2023-current

Please list your years of membership in PCACAC and dates:

I have been a PCACAC member since 2000 to our current day.

Other affiliate involvement (SACAC, NYSACAC, NJACAC, WACAC, etc.) along with dates (examples include committee memberships, board and/or executive committee involvement, summer institutes, etc.):

SACAC - Member 1992-2000, Dry Run Faculty Member 1996-2000, Dry Run Co Chair 2000

Other professional organization memberships, with dates:

President, Jesuit High School College Counseling Association, 2005-06

AWARDS: Please list awards/honors received and when:

Counselor that Changes Lives, Colleges that Changes Lives 2020

Presentation, Publication, Podcast Highlights

Please list up to 5 presentations, publications or podcasts that you have participated in. For presentations, list the title of the presentation, conference/event where presented and year. For publications, list title, name and date of publication, and co-authors if applicable. For podcasts, list the name of the podcast, subject covered and publication date:

Presentations:

- 11/2024-Mental Health -PCACAC Leadership Education Web Certificate Program
- 9/2024 NACAC Conference - Social Media and College Admission
- 4/2023 PCACAC Conference - Differentiated Learners: How to best support our students
- 4/2015 PCACAC Conference - Building Strong Relationships between College Counseling and Admissions