

## Candidate for Director – Member Services

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#### Why are you interested in this Board position?

It is a honor to be nominated for Director of Member Services position and I am interested in this board position because it offers an opportunity to advance the profession by identifying and addressing the emerging needs of our membership. I have personally benefitted from the professional development opportunities, mentorship, and relationships I have made in this association and it would be a privilege to curate opportunities for SoACE members. There is incredible and innovative work occurring in our region by our members and I see the role of this position to elevate the voices of the future leaders of our profession. There are already incredible ways to engage within our SoACE community, and as our profession is constantly evolving it is important to stay engaged to better our service to students. This role aligns with my commitment to building a strong sense of community within the association, fostering connections, and encouraging collaboration among members.

#### What qualifications do you have that would make you a strong fit for this Board position?

My qualifications make me a strong fit for this role, as I bring extensive experience in fostering professional development opportunities and building meaningful connections within our community. Having personally benefitted from the relationships and programs within this association, I am deeply committed to curating experiences that add value for all SoACE members. Within my own team and university, I have created effective and inclusive onboarding experiences, worked with other committee members and organized professional development opportunities to empower members to share their ideas and grow as professionals. I understand the importance of collaboration across committees to implement innovative and cohesive approaches to membership growth and development. This role aligns perfectly with my passion for fostering a sense of belonging, encouraging collaboration, and ensuring our profession evolves to better serve students through the collective strength of our membership.

#### What leadership roles have you held within SoACE and other similar organizations?

I currently serve on the SoACE LEAD Design Team, was a member of the SoACE LEAD cohort in 2023-2024, and served as a member of the Advising and Counseling KG's professional development committee from 2021-2022. At the University of Texas at Austin, I served as the Texas Careers Council's programming chair for 2022-2023 where I organized trainings for campus-wide career professionals. As an organization, we are stronger when our members are engaged and feel like they have the space to share the work we are all proud to do.