

NIRSA Member Network

Regional Student Leader

Position Description

The National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association is a dynamic organization committed to be recognized internationally as the leader in recreation within higher education, dedicated to excellence in student and professional development, education, research and standards. NIRSA's commitment, creativity and strategic partnerships are consistently demonstrated through outstanding programs, facilities and services.

As such, the leaders of the Association are expected to be knowledgeable about current issues in campus recreation and matters of the Association, as well as to be forward thinking team members.

All corporate powers of the Association shall be exercised by or under the authority of the board of directors and the affairs of the Association shall be managed under the direction of the board of directors.

The Member Network is the primary vehicle for communication, constituent representation, networking and student/professional development. The Regional Student Leader will have the following duties and functions, but are not limited to:

- Work in conjunction with their Regional Representative to advance the roles of NIRSA, student membership and participation in the region.
- Serve as a resource for the regional student membership.
- Supervise and facilitate communication regarding roles and responsibilities among the State/Provincial Student Leaders to enhance the representation of the regional student membership and to meet regional student directed goals and objectives.
- Assist and support all State/Provincial Student Leaders.
- Promote student involvement at the state/provincial/regional/national level.
- Communicate at least monthly with the State/Provincial Student Leaders and the National Student Leader.
- Assist and support all Campus Contacts upon the recommendation of the State/Provincial Student Leader and/or State/Provincial Representative.
- Coordinate the Campus Contact Program with the National Student Leader, State Student Leaders, State/Provincial Representative and current Campus Contacts.

- Advise and assist the National Student Leader in communicating through the Board Liaison any requests for action to the Board of Directors.
- Except where outlined in the State Association's constitution, appoint a replacement for any State/Provincial Student Leader position that becomes vacant during the time between NIRSA annual conferences. Such an appointment would be effective through the following NIRSA annual conference.
- Communicate with the National Student Leader and Regional Representative at least monthly regarding student issues and concerns.
- Provide the National Student Leader with reports for the Board of Directors' Midyear and End-of-year meetings.
- Assist with student programs and events at the annual conference.
- Plan the regional/state student meeting and present the student report at the regional/state meeting.
- Submit information to the Regional Representative and State/Provincial Representative for inclusion in their newsletters.
- Complete at least two (fall and winter/spring) student newsletters and send to the regional student membership.
- Participate in leadership transition sessions held prior to or during the annual conference.
- Assist and support Student Lead On Committee chairs in the decision making process, facilitation, and organization of the regional student lead on for their region when appropriate.
- Work collaboratively with the Regional Hosts in planning the student sections of regional, state and provincial workshops.
- Actively participate in all conferences attended, by volunteering, presenting, and/or speaking.
- Assist the Student Leadership Team in running the student information table at the NIRSA Annual Conference.

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, the Regional Student Representative is expected to represent student interests at the Annual Conference, Student Leadership Team Meeting, and Student Lead On Conference in their Region. Additional travel may be deemed necessary if time, funding and interest are available to accomplish goals set by the Member Network and/or Student Leadership Team for optional events such as Regional and/or State/Provincial conferences and Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders (ERSL) Conference.

To accomplish the duties and functions of a Regional Student Leader, appropriate funding within the NIRSA annual operating budget will be available.

Term of Office:

The Regional Student Leader (RSL) is elected by the regional student membership to serve students of their region for a period of one year.

Qualifications:

- Any NIRSA student member in good standing prior to election is eligible to serve as the Regional Student Leader.
- Student must be in good academic standing as defined by their institution.
- Any student member may be nominated by another student member or self nominate.
- An elected individual is required to continue to be a student in the region and a NIRSA student member throughout the term of office.