



NIRSA Member Network - Regional Student Leader Position Description

NIRSA 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.

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, including, but not limited to:

- Work in conjunction with their Regional Representative to advance the goals of NIRSA, as well as student membership and participation, in the region as a member of the Regional Leadership Team.
- 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.
- Be present and engaged in Member Network meetings, including monthly teleconferences and face-to-face meetings that occur during the Annual Conference and in the summer.
- Promote student involvement and engagement at the state/provincial/regional/association wide level.

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- Assist and support the Engagement Coordinator Program
- Assist the NIRSA Student Leader with the NIRSA Mentoring Program.
- Advise and assist the NIRSA Student Leader in communicating, through the Member Network Chair or Board Liaison, any requests for action to the Board of Directors.
- Appoint or facilitate elections for State and Provincial Student Leaders as required by the documented regional elections process.
- 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 hosts in planning the student sections of regional, state and provincial workshops.
- Communicate with the NIRSA Student Leader and Regional Representative at least monthly regarding student issues and concerns.
- Assist with student programs and events at the annual conference.
- Participate in the planning of and present the student report during Regional Member Connection Meetings.
- Actively participate in all conferences attended by volunteering, presenting, and/or speaking.
- Submit information to the Regional Representative and State/Provincial Representative for inclusion in their newsletters.
- Ensure regular communication to student members through various forms of outreach.
- Participate in Member Network leadership transition sessions held prior to the end of the leadership year.

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, the Regional Student Leader 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, from May 1 to April 30.

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.