



Spring 2020 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Spring 2020 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than SUNDAY, November 24th at 11:59 PM**. Please send this document and all supplemental materials to president.apousc@gmail.com and cc webmaster.apousc@gmail.com.

Election Day: Candidates for President and Pledgemaster will have three minutes to give their speeches. Candidates for all other positions will have two minutes.

You may present **one slide per position** you run for at the time of your speech. If you are running all or nothing for a co position, you may share a speech with your running mate and have **up to two slides**. If you are not running all or nothing, you must have a separate speech and slide. Slides are due by **SUNDAY November 24th at 11:59 PM** to president.apousc@gmail.com. You will not be allowed to pass out additional materials or papers during your speech.

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Carlos Delgado

Year: Senior

Major: Biochemistry

Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Nu (Fall 2018)

Have you finished requirements?: Yes

Please mark which elected position(s) you are running for with an X:

☐ President

☒ Pledgemaster

☐ VP of Service

☐ Co-VP of Membership

☐ VP of Fellowship

☐ Co-VP of Finance

☐ VP of Communications

☐ IC Chair

Name of person you are running with (leave blank if no running partners):

Are you running all or nothing (leave blank if not applicable)?:

PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Why do you want the position(s) you are running for?

I want to run for this position because I feel like I can change the way things are currently going. I have heard too many times that pledge classes don't feel close or they don't feel like they have people to turn to. I want to become that support system for the pledges to come and to lay a good foundation for those in the future. I know that it sounds like a fool's dream, but I want to make sure that everyone feels included, feels like they have someone to talk to about anything, and just in general make an attempt to better the process we have. I know that I have the attitude, generosity, and approachability to lead and care for the new class. I've always felt like I would be a good figure to lead people and to take care of people. I truly want this position to give around thirty people the best semester they can have in APO.

2. What is your vision for APO and what are your goals for the position(s)?

My vision for APO is to create an environment where no one needs to bother themselves with the thoughts of, "Can I come," but rather "When should I get there?" There is no better thought than knowing people are comfortable enough to just walk into your house like it's their own and I really believe I can supply that as the next pledgemaster. My overall goal for this position is to make sure that everyone in the pledge class knows that there is reason to feel as if they can't reach out to me or anyone on the pledge team. I know that there are a lot of factors affecting this and that it is almost impossible to keep everyone happy, but my goal is to make sure that I never stop trying and that I don't even consider looking over anyone's needs.

3. What new ideas can you bring to the position and organization as a whole? Please provide examples.

New ideas I plan on incorporating are weekly chats that anyone can attend where I will provide foods, drinks, and games to make sure that there is at least a constant in everyone's lives and it gives people a chance to make sure that they know they are welcome and gives them a chance to spend time with not just me, but the rest of pledge team, should I get the position. While it sounds naïve, I also plan on making sure that all events (that aren't going to be pledge class exclusive) known across all of the actives. I plan to make a group chat with all actives, associates, and the pledge class to disclose all info about anything that is happening to make sure that everyone personally gets an invite to the activities going on around the pledge class and me if I do get the position. I do believe this will make everyone feel more included and that is all I can ask for especially when it comes to things that are surrounding the pledge class. While this seems unattainable and unsustainable, I am more than ready to do my best to keep that a constant for the entire semester. I strongly believe that the most important part of an organization is inclusion and we

should put all of our resources and effort into making sure that not a single person feels like they don't belong.

4. **What relevant experience, if any, have you had working in committees or other organizations for the position(s) you are running for? Please be specific.**

In terms of working in committees, I have been in charge of the pre-health ensemble that had Dr. Geller as the faculty. I was responsible for managing all of the sections of the orchestra. I was micromanaging all of the members of the orchestra to make sure that all of their instruments and music were in check. I really believe this is applicable because I had to make different accommodations for the different people in each section. I made sure that I carried extra strings for the violins, had reeds for the clarinets, and organized and kept spare music for all of the parts. Outside of this, I was a research tech-assistance in which I was in charge of multiple undergraduates and guiding them through the internship. Besides all of this, I do have a lot of speaking, caring, and organizing skills to be able to handle large amount of people.

5. **What other time commitments will you have next semester (i.e. other student organizations, work, research, etc.)? How do you plan to balance APO executive board duties with those commitments?**

I am currently working at the Natural history museum twice a week for three to four hours from 11-3. I also have research on two days from 9-3 two days. Every single day of the week except for Thursday, I will be done by 3pm. Outside of these two obligations, I have nothing that is going to be taking my time and I will be able to put the rest of my time into APO. I made sure to be able to finish all of my days early so that I would have the time later in the day free to spend with friends. Not only that but I made sure to have a really easy class schedule for the spring semester. I wanted to make sure that I had time to spend with everyone and by putting all of my classes, work, and research early in the day, I guaranteed that.