



Fall 2015 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Spring 2013 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than FRIDAY APRIL 24TH at 5:00PM**. Please send this document and all supplemental materials to president.apousc@gmail.com and 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. Slides are due by **SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH at 11:59pm** 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: Nathan Noh

Year: Sophomore

Major: Applied Mathematics

Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Epsilon Fall 2014

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> President | <input type="checkbox"/> VP of Finance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pledgemaster | <input type="checkbox"/> VP of Communications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VP of Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VP of Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> IC Chair |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VP of Fellowship | |

PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is your vision for APO?

Two semesters ago, I joined APO because I fell in love with the idea of an organization that not only does service but also bonds together as a fraternity. Everyone in the organization gets to know most of the other members in the

organization, and through service and other planned activities, brothers of APO become even closer. I wish to further this image and improve the organization because as of late, I feel as if APO is not doing as outstanding of a job as it was previous semesters in upholding its oath to LFS.

APO has this negative image of being an organization riddled with cliques to the point where our organization is extremely divided. While I see the viewpoint and reasons why people may believe this to be true, I have faith in our brothers' promise to the fellowship aspect of the organization. It is impossible to ask everyone in an organization to get along and be best of friends, but I believe it is important to take pride in the fact that we all joined because to some extent we have a love for service. Even if people may not be the closest, we get together to community service. However, the existence of multiple cliques is still an issue, and my vision for APO is to lose this stigma that we have of being to cliquey. I want members of the organization to get to know each other more. Often, I have been told that people become close with others after their pledging semester. I hope to foster this idea that even if you are not a pledge, one can still branch out and get to know other actives in the organization.

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

As a member of APO for the past two semesters, I have watched and observed how the chapter functions as a whole. Now that I am eligible, I would love nothing more than to contribute to the chapter in a leadership position and help the organization burgeon into something bigger and better.

In regards to the three cardinal principles, I believe my strongest one is fellowship. While I do have a passion for service and some leadership, I think the best part of APO is getting to know your fellow brothers who also have the same passion for service as you do, as evident through the amount of fellowship events I attended this past semester. My experience and interests are best aligned with the position of VP of Fellowship: I can contribute the most and best to the chapter in this position.

3. What are your goals for the position(s)?

As the new VP of Fellowship, I wish to build upon the shoulders of the previous VPs of fellowships before me. Patrick Vossler introduced a weekly food series which I think is a fantastic idea for brothers to go out together as well as explore the cuisine of LA. Alakea Woods tried to incorporate more sports related activities as events, which I will keep because they are both fun and free. However, to add on to her idea, I would like to help form APO IM teams, so those who love to play a certain sport can play together and compete under our name.

My ultimate goal as VP of Fellowship is to bring our chapter closer together as a whole. Lately, our chapter has been known to be cliquey or some people just haven't had the opportunity to get to know other brothers in our fraternity. To work towards this goal, I plan on increasing the amount of events that are closer to campus so that events will not be cancelled due to lack of drivers and so that more people may attend. An increase in variety of events such as more weekly, regular events as well as one or two more annual fall events such as a trip to six flags.

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

My new idea for this position and the organization as a whole would be to try to start a new annual or semester event that the entire chapter can look forward to going to. For example, I am aware that six flags will rent out their theme park to companies so their employees can attend the theme park at a reduced price and with reduced lines. Normally, these events happen in the fall. It has been a couple of years since I last attended one of these days, but I think it would be fun for those adrenaline and thrill lovers to go on a mass journey to six flags. On top of the weekly food events that Patrick installed two semesters ago, I think it would be cool to start weekly fellowship events attending USC sporting events and supporting our fellow Trojans. Sports are an easy way, both through playing and watching, to bond with others and have something to talk about. Volleyball, basketball, soccer, tennis, and especially football are all sports many people would like to watch.

5. 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 leadership and working on an executive board, I have experience in high school and in college. In high school, I worked on a city council made up of teenagers to push for change on pressing social issues in the community. I had to work in a group of 10 teenagers and one supervising adult, and together we managed to convince our school board council to allocate money towards our cause.

In college, I have been on e-board for Alpha Lambda Delta, a freshman national honor society. I was webmaster and secretary on eboard. My experience on this board was more of a negative one because of fellow board members who lacked the motivation or the incentive to do work for the organization and a member or two who simply could not ever be present for anything. Through my time on this board this past year, I have learned how to work with less manpower and resources than our eboard normally would have had to push ALD into a more well known and active organization. Although ALD is still little known on campus, we have had an increase in the number of events we host such as ice cream socials, study nights, and now bimonthly meetings that did not exist before. APO is a much more established and experienced organization, so I imagine my experience on ALD will only help my effectiveness on the executive board for APO.

6. 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?

Next semester, I will have only one other commitment besides APO and school work, which is doing research on the Health Sciences Campus. The research I do only demands about 8-10 hours a week. On top of my class load, I should definitely be able to manage my time and fulfill my responsibilities as VP of Fellowship to the best of my capability.