



Fall 2019 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Fall 2019 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than SUNDAY April 14th 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 April 14th 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: Tyler Seto

Year: Junior

Major: Environmental Studies

Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Lambda. Fall 2017

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): Valerie Lo

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

PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

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

I would like the opportunity to be a Co-VP of Membership because I am intrigued by the duties and goals the position strives to fulfill. My view of Membership is to act as Pledge Team is to pledges but for the active body. It would be our duty to further the relationships among all members that have already developed throughout their time in APO and continue to give them all equal opportunities to be as fully invested in the chapter as they see fit. I want to continue to capitalize on the memories that our service and fellowship events create continuing to build upon the bonds members have created..

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

My vision for APO through this position is to continue the success we have had as a growing chapter and ultimately bring everyone closer together. Much of the chapter would describe their relationships in APO as family oriented and I want to continue to build upon that dynamic with the goal of bringing everyone closer and closer together. With that focus and approach, I hope to achieve better active retention beyond pledging while also creating a welcoming environment for any associates, abroad brothers, or inactive members that may want to come back and for transfer brothers looking for a new home. In terms of building relationships, our pledging experience is unlike anything I have heard of or experience in any other campus organization and I want that experience to carry beyond that first semester. The plan to would be to continue to work closely with the rest of Excomm and the active body to hear the most common and greatest concerns that continually pop up during midsemester reviews and address those first. Along with looking into the history of membership and discussing issues and the aspirations that previous VPs hoped to address by bring about new and old ideas that I hope to implement if given the position. In collaboration with the entire chapter, I would like the chance to carry on previous VPs of Membership goals and then move onto what I my goals in which, I hope will build a more retentive and inclusive chapter.

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

Some of the new ideas we would like to propose are the following. These ideas came from the idea that we wanted to further the enrichment of out chapter and create events that foster growth and a better APO experience.

- Adulting 101: Entering college and growing into independence is hard. Learning how to do common life and adult things is something that is often overlooked until the problem arises. Through this workshop series we hope to bring experienced individuals in a particular field to help undergraduates navigate college and give advice on what is to come upon graduating. These workshops

could include graduate school advisement (pre-med, law, etc.), housing, taxes, interview preparation, and others.

- Active Retreat: Retreat is always something to look forward to and having another one that could be accessible to the entire chapter is a collaboration I would like to entertain with SEC. Incorporating a similar structure to that of Retreat and Chapter BBQ, I feel like it would be a great opportunity to give the entire chapter a day to bond and interact with all different members in the chapter.
 - Transfer Brother Welcoming: As a transfer myself, I found that integrating myself into things that are already established can be difficult. I truly appreciate the chance I was given during pledging to get incorporated into the chapter, but as a transfer they have yet to have that opportunity. I want to set up a plan that does not force them to meet the requirements of pledging but to have the opportunity to be better incorporated into the chapter.
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.**
I have previous experience working as a Director of Recruitment for Fall 2018 and Creative Director for Spring 2018. Those these two positions interactions with Membership is quite distant I believe that my experience in Excomm exemplifies my understanding of the behind the scenes aspects that allows the chapter to run smoothly. The main takeaways from both positions is the organizational skills and event planning experience that I was able to gain. From discussing with previous VPs I am fully aware of the workload that may lie ahead hope that my success with the other positions shows that I am capable of handling the responsibilities.
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?**
My other time commitments that I have planned for the next semester is working as the Photo Editor for the Daily Trojan which is extremely flexible and based on my schedule as to whether I decided to shoot an event or person during the week which usually only takes an hour at most. I also hope to continue working my desk position and lab research, both of which I had during my previous positions and had no trouble finding time to commit to APO as an Excomm member.