



Fall 2014 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Fall 2014 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than THURSDAY, April 24TH at 5:00PM**. Please send this document and all supplemental materials to webmaster.apousc@gmail.com . PDF is preferred.

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 27st at 11:59AM** to communications.apousc@gmail.com . You will not be allowed to pass out additional materials or papers during your speech.

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Stanley Tsui
Year: Sophomore
Major: Biochemistry
Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Beta, Spring '13

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 and what are your goals for the position? What new ideas can you bring?

What I envision for APO is a fraternity that brings people together from all backgrounds through a mutual interest in service. It should be a place where they grow to become leaders and inspire others around them to be their best personal selves. Most importantly, APO is a place

where people can create memories and form friendships with fellow brothers that will last throughout college and for the rest of their lives.

As VP of fellowship, I have several goals I would like to accomplish. I really want to emphasize the idea that fellowship shouldn't be seen as a requirement, but more of an opportunity. Rather than having people who feel obligated to go in order to finish their requirements, I want to have people to have the desire to go because they want to. In my opinion, fellowship was one of the unique aspects that set apart APO from other organizations, so I would also like to focus on expanding the fellowship events that we have.

My ideas incorporate what I have seen work in past semesters. Food has always been central to fellowship events, so taking advantage of the plethora of exotic and ethnic restaurants located around Los Angeles, I would like to expand our food fellowship events so that we get a taste of other cultures like Ethiopian or Italian. To alleviate the issue of always relying on drivers to drive to events all the time, I propose that we have smaller sized events where someone would host an event at their place where everyone would make the dinner.

Another popular theme that I saw was successful was events that revolved around sports. Things like open-gym volleyball or working out together really promotes team work and mutual encouragement – opportunities to get to know someone better. To make sports events more effective, I would like to have not only more one-time competition events, but also regularly scheduled events.

New events and events that that I would like to see more of are things that revolve around entertainment. For example, watching a newly released movie, bowling, karaoke-ing, even riding bikes to/around the beach are all activities that I believe help promote friendship between brothers. Fall semesters have a lot of 3-day weekends, so we could take advantage of that and do a road trip or a camping retreat – the possibilities are endless. I would also try to encourage the active body to speak up about what they want to do, since it is essential that I create events that people have an actual interest in going to.

2. What are two positive qualities that you lack and how do you compensate for these shortcomings?

I think two positive qualities that I lack are following through with ideas and being resourceful. I have all these great ideas and future plans, but they stay ideas and plans because I forget to take the time to fully develop them into reality. I think that as VP of fellowship, I would try not to be overly ambitious, and try to accomplish everything. Rather, I would focus on key aspects and fully develop them so that they become a reality and a success.

I also limit myself in terms of creativity because I forget to “step outside the box”. I let small obstacles deter me from finding solutions and I opt for simpler solutions. Rather than letting it stop me, I will seek out advice and help from others who can help me so that I wouldn't have to limit myself and do it all alone .

3. 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 was pledge VP of fellowship and I believe that my experience as pledge VP gave me an insight into the behind-the-scene work that has to be done and the coordination it takes for an event to be successful. During my first semester at USC, I was also the social chair of APAMSA, so I planned bi-weekly events for the entire org and helped coordinate big events like the CHIP health fair. As a delegate in USG's community affairs, I've had experience planning and promoting events for the entire campus such as trips to Santa Monica and Dodger games.

4. 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?

Besides school, the two main commitments that I will have is GlobeMed (weekly meetings on Thursday nights) and work (graveyard shift at leavey). I think that I won't have much trouble balancing e-board duties with my other obligations since next semester, my course load is not as heavy and work consists of a lot of down-time which I can use.

5. Why are you the best candidate for this position?

I believe that I am the best candidate for this position because I have the passion, creativity, and vision to take on the position. I learned a lot about what it takes to plan events for a large group of people and I believe that my past experience will help me in improving fellowship in APO. My love for fellowship events will drive me to push myself to improving events and ensuring that there won't be a person who won't enjoy fellowship events. Thank you!

Don't forget to attach your résumé and schedule.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the Elected Board Questionnaire. Please be sure to send in your election slide(s) no later than Sunday, April 27th at 11:59AM. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact president.apousc@gmail.com.

Good luck! ☺