

REGION VIII ASCENDING PROFESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE POSITION DESCRIPTION

1. PURPOSE

Represent Ascending Professional (AP) Members and recent graduate's interests to the Region VIII Council. Serve as a communication link between the national AP Forum and the state AP chairs. Mentor the Region VIII Developing Professional Representative.

2. TERM OF OFFICE

3 years or until transitioned to out of Ascending Professional Category
Maximum number of terms allowed: n/a

3. QUALIFICATIONS

ASCLS Ascending Professional membership, reside in Region VIII, and have graduated as a traditional age student from a CLS program within the last 5 years.

Recommended experience that would be helpful to someone holding this office:
Active as student member at the state or regional level

4. DUTIES

Mentor state APs in all states in the region to carry out their position. Provide resources to assist the state APs and state presidents in recognizing and encouraging more young professional members to become active in the organization.

Reports to: Region VIII Council

Reports: Fall, Winter, Final reports to Regional VIII Council Chair

Other duties performed: Special projects that encourage involvement of young professional members such as Ascending Professional forums. Participate in Council activities

5. EXPECTATIONS

Meeting attendance & Travel requirements: Attend at least two (out of three) Region VIII Council meetings per year – Fall conference call, Winter conference call, Summer Council meeting at the site of the national meeting

Deadlines: as assigned by Region VIII Council Chair

Average time commitment: Approximately 4-6 hours per month

Financial considerations: Travel expenses and registration costs to national meeting are not covered by Region VIII.

6. RESOURCES

Mentors: National AP members, Region VIII Council Chair and Council members, other regional or national leaders

Materials: Region VIII Guidelines

Helpful Hints & suggestions: Computer, e-mail very helpful. Give lots of praise and recognition to volunteer young professionals at all levels of the organization.

7. BENEFITS:

Contributions to the profession: Enhance the involvement of young professionals that is essential to the continuation of the Society, improve communication within the organization and the profession

Skills developed/enhanced: Delegation, recognition, mentoring, communication, marketing

Contacts / networking opportunities: Meet and develop relationships with colleagues throughout Region VIII and at the national level

Travel opportunities: Site of national meeting.