

NIRSA Member Network

Regional Student Leader

Position Description

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The Member Network is the primary vehicle for communication, constituent representation, networking and student/professional development.

Term of Office:

The Regional Student Leader (RSL) is elected by the regional student membership to serve students of their region for a period of one year, from May 1 to April 30.

Qualifications:

- Any NIRSA student member in good standing prior to election is eligible to serve as the Regional Student Leader.
- Any student member may be nominated by another student member or self-nominate.
- An elected individual is required to continue to be a student in the region and a NIRSA student member throughout the term of office.

The Regional Student Leader will have the following duties and functions, including, but not limited to:

- **Monthly Responsibilities:**
 - Be present and engaged in Member Network monthly video conference meetings.
 - Be present and engaged in Student Leadership monthly video conference meetings.
 - Collaborate with the Regional Representative and State/Provincial Representative to keep regional website and newsletters fresh and relevant.
- **Regional Responsibilities:**
 - Assist and support all State/Provincial Student Leaders.
 - Serve as a resource for the regional student membership.
 - Supervise and facilitate communication regarding roles and responsibilities among the State/Provincial Student Leaders to enhance the representation of the regional student membership and to meet regional student-directed goals and objectives.
 - Appoint or facilitate elections for State and Provincial Student Leaders as required by the documented regional elections process.

- Collaborate with the Regional Representative in the planning of and presentation during the Regional Meetups during Annual Conference and other connection sessions (in person or virtually) during the year.
- With regards to assisting with planning for regional events provide support to Student Lead On planning committee.
 - **These responsibilities can vary by region*
- **Association Responsibilities:**
 - Work in conjunction with their Regional Representative to advance the goals of NIRSA, as well as student membership and participation, in the region as a member of the Regional Leadership Team.
 - Promote student involvement and engagement at the state/provincial/regional/association wide level.
 - Assist with student programs and events at the annual conference.
 - Ensure regular communication to student members through various forms of outreach.
 - Participate in Member Network leadership transition sessions held prior to the end of the leadership year.
- **Additional Responsibilities:**
 - Attend summer onboarding meetings that may occur via video conference or face to face.
 - Actively participate in all conferences attended by volunteering, presenting, and/or speaking.
 - If deemed necessary, advise and assist the NIRSA Student Leader in communicating, through the Member Network Chair or Board Liaison, any requests for action to the Board of Directors.

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, the Regional Student Leader is expected to represent student interests at the Annual Conference, Student Leadership Team Meeting, and Student Lead On Conference in their Region. Additional travel may be deemed necessary, if time, funding, and interest are available, to accomplish goals set by the Member Network and/or Student Leadership Team for optional events, such as Regional and/or State/Provincial conferences and Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders (ERSL) Conference.

To accomplish the duties and functions of a Regional Student Leader, appropriate funding within the NIRSA annual operating budget will be available.