

Charter: Student Committee

I. Purpose

A. The American Society of Acupuncturists Student Committee (ASA-SC) is the representative committee for future practitioners of Acupuncture and its complete ancient and modern system. The ASA-SC serves under the guidance and governance of the American Society of Acupuncturists (ASA). The ASA-SC shall promote the mission of the ASA, and advocate for students by providing leadership development, networking opportunities, and educational resources..

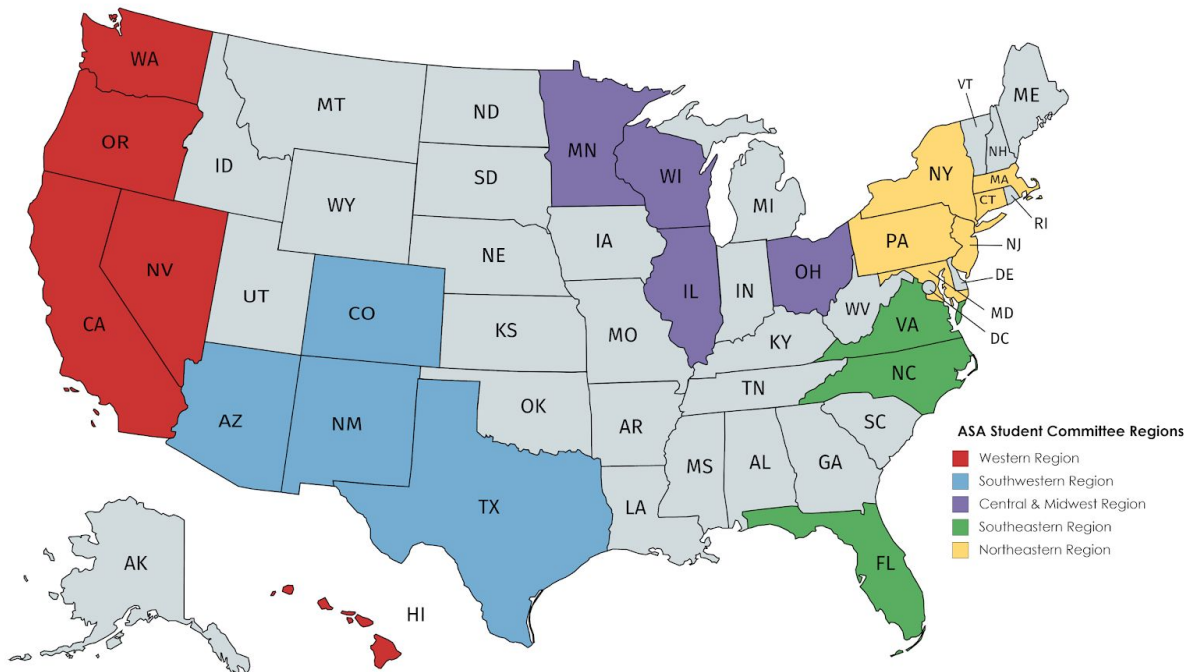
II. Composition

A. Chair

- a. Application to serve as Chair shall be made directly to the ASA Nominating Committee, and ratified at the discretion of the ASA Chair and Board, as per ASA policies and procedures.

B. Regional Director(s)

- a. Regional Directors will be appointed by the ASA-SC Chair and the ASA Chair, in conjunction with the ASA Nominating Committee according to ASA policies and procedures. A vote may be placed within the ASA-SC to ratify individuals as Regional Directors following this appointment.
- b. Application to serve as Regional Director shall be made directly to the ASA-SC Chair and ASA Nominating Committee.
- c. Regions Represented (see map). These regions may be changed at any time at the discretion of the leadership of the ASA-SC, but only following approval of the ASA BOD (See Map).
 - i. Western Region
 - ii. Southwestern Region
 - iii. Central & Midwestern Region
 - iv. Southeastern Region
 - v. Northeastern Region



developed from the [CCAOM map](#)

C. Other Positions

- ASA-SC Social Media Director
- ASA Mentorship Mentee Liaison

D. Term of service for any representative is at the discretion of ASA Council. Appointed representatives may serve an indefinite amount of years with qualifying restrictions:

- Maintenance of enrollment at an ASA financially supporting, accredited program of acupuncture or Oriental medicine as recognized by the Accreditation Commission of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM) or
- Being within one year of graduation from an ASA financially supporting, accredited program of acupuncture or Oriental medicine as recognized by the Accreditation Commission of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM).

- c. Dedicate 1-3 hours of volunteer time for projects, goals, meetings and other items under the committee's purview.
- E. General Members: Students may become members of the ASA Student Committee if they meet any of the following criteria:
 - a. Are student members of an ASA state member association or
 - b. Currently attend and are in good standing in an ACAOM accredited school that is a financial supporter of the ASA.

III. Committee Members

A. Chair

- a. The ASA-SC Chair will report directly to the ASA Chair, Vice-Chair of Public Policy, and also to the Council upon request.
- b. Administration of all actions of the ASA-SC, including but not limited to the maintenance of meeting minutes, provision of reports to ASA leadership, and ensuring adherence to all policies noted within this Charter.
- c. The ASA-SC Chair will be expected to transmit all actionable items, newsletters, and updates from the ASA to the ASA-SC, its Regional Directors, and additional members.

B. Regional Directors

- a. The ASA-SC Regional Directors will report directly to the ASA-SC Chair.
- b. Responsibilities of Regional Directors include provision of updates to the ASA-SC from schools within the region by initiating contact at the institutions qualified by the above-outlined restrictions. Additionally, Regional Directors will transmit all actionable items, newsletters, and updates from the ASA-SC as communicated by the Chair.

C. Social Media Director

- a. Instagram: @asastudents
- b. Responsibilities include adhering to the social media policies and procedures held by the ASA Council.

D. ASA Student Mentorship Mentee Liaison

- a. Duties are currently performed by the Chair but may be delegated as the Chair sees fit.
- b. Responsibilities would be to communicate with Christine Cronin, current Secretary of the ASA and head of the ASA Mentorship program.
- c. Email and answer questions from students regarding the program and providing all mentees with regular updates.

- d. Maintain, edit, and update when needed the ASA Mentorship Mentee Sign Up Google form.
- E. Student Members
 - a. ASA-SC Student Members may augment the efforts of the Chair and Regional Directors.

IV. Meetings

- A. Monthly meetings for the ASA-SC.
 - a. Attendance is required at greater than 50% of these meetings for representatives unless extenuating circumstances occur.
 - b. During certain times of year, meetings may instead occur on a biweekly or bimonthly basis as voted on by the committee.
- B. Committee will follow Roberts Rules of Order.
- C. Presence of 80% of committee members constitutes a quorum for voting.
- D. 51% of the vote constitutes voting approval.
- E. Items for a vote will be determined by the ASA-SC Chair and Regional Directors, and the ASA-SC Chair and Regional Directors shall be the only voting delegates.

V. Order of Operations

- A. Committees shall be established by the ASA-SC Chair and Regional Directors, and any student member in good standing may be appointed to a committee at the discretion of the ASA-SC leadership.

VI. Current Positions

- A. Current Chair: Alexandria Russell (Serving till Aug 31, 2021 and will transition into a one year of previous past chair position)
- B. Current Regional Directors
 - a. Western Region- Nichelle Cieri, projected graduation 2021/2022, looking for an additional student rep
 - b. Southwestern Region- Vacant
 - c. Central & Midwestern Region- Nichelle Cieri, projected graduation 2021/22, looking for an additional student rep
 - d. Southeastern Region- Selena Short- currently looking for an additional student rep
 - e. Northeastern Region- Vacant
- C. Other positions



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- a. Social Media- Vacant
- b. ASA Mentorship Mentee Liaison- Chair