

2018-19 OCPA Executive Board Nominee Information

Nominee Name: Luke Matulewicz

Nominee Institution: University of Dayton

Title: Graduate Student

Positions for Consideration: Graduate Student Members-at-Large

Please describe your involvement with OCPA.

I am currently a graduate student member of OCPA and I attended the 2018 annual conference.

Why are you interested in participating as a member of the OCPA Executive Board?

I think being a part of the OCPA Executive Board would be a highly beneficial experience for myself to collaborate with great professionals from across the state of Ohio. I think one of the best ways to learn is through others who have done the job before.

What qualities and skills do you think you can bring to the indicated positions, and to the OCPA Board?

During my last two years as an undergraduate student, I served as student body president. Student Government has given me numerous opportunities that I believe make me a good board member. As president, I was in charge of leading my fellow officers to make the college better and the student body happier. This has helped me prepare myself for working in teams. I have also planned college-wide events including welcome week, spirit week, and homecoming. I have also learned how to effectively communicate with fellow students, college administrators, and the Board of Trustees. I also have unique learning experiences like traveling to Europe on four different trips. I have also taken International and Global Higher Education at UD. I also took an independent study at Calumet College of St. Joseph that specifically focused on higher education and museums and how the two could learn from each other. This course covered many areas including looking at data regarding retention, and enrollment,

What do you believe to be the role of professional associations like OCPA?

I believe the role of professional associations like OCPA to be a sharing of knowledge and learning catalyst. I believe fully that learning is not done in a vacuum; instead, it happens in environments. Environments like OCPA and other professional organizations make learning even easier and better since so many professionals are all together sharing what they know and helping others along. There is also the sharing of new research and other data shared among members frequently.

There is also the networking aspect that goes along with professional organizations that is a very important part.