

2018-19 OCPA Executive Board Nominee Information

Nominee Name: Augusta Schmidt

Nominee Institution: University of Toledo

Title: Graduate Assistant Hall Director

Positions for Consideration: Graduate Student Members-at-Large

Please describe your involvement with OCPA.

I have been to two OCPA conference since becoming a Graduate student in Higher Education and I am a general member as well.

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

The OCPA conference I have attended have been fun and informative. They have given me a chance to see what I can improve about myself to make sure I am providing as much as possible to my residents and staff members.

The last conference had a session about affecting change as a graduate staff member at your university and that has empowered me to push to change things that I believe could improve the quality of our university.

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

I think that I would bring a passion. I love higher education and I love working with students.

I am also very organized and persistent.

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

I believe that professional associations like OCPA help to serve the people in the field by providing professional development in the form of conferences but also by providing information on their websites.

They also tend to provide research in their publications for professionals to seek out and learn more about their professions.

I would also state that their conferences bring a peer learning level to support these professionals and a camaraderie.