The UConn Student Alumni Association (SAA) was established in 1983 to promote strong student and alumni relationships through service to the university. We work closely with and directly under the UConn Foundation Office of Alumni Relations to help facilitate the transition from student to alumni while building a lifelong bond to the University of Connecticut. The Student Alumni Association holds a great sense of pride and tradition in the University, and with the affiliation of the UConn Foundation, the Student Alumni Association is able to promote this through a variety of activities and programs.

Primary goals of the organization are to generate spirit and promote traditions surrounding the University among the student body, to instill leadership and communication skills in all members of SAA, to provide SAA members with opportunities to network with alumni, to connect SAA members with various organizations within the University and surrounding community, to provide information about the UConn Foundation to the student body, and to work with the UConn Foundation to promote student engagement and philanthropy.

To be elected as an Executive Board Member is an honor and an excellent opportunity for personal and professional growth. Students who are selected possess strong interpersonal skills, leadership qualities, a genuine interest in meeting new people, and a sense of school spirit and pride.

Benefits:

▪ Learn important interpersonal and leadership skills while gaining professional experience.

▪ Gain valuable information about UConn and the UConn Foundation.

▪ Meet and network with UConn officials, donors, alumni, staff, administrators, and leaders.

▪ Priority in attendance to District and National Conferences and special events.

Requirements:

▪ E-Board members must be able to commit to the program for the entire year (summer, fall, winter and spring). Some exceptions may be considered.

▪ E-Board members must be able to hold regular office hours, attend training workshops, retreats, and meetings.
  o Fall Semester E-Board Retreat: Thursday, August 22, 2019
  o Spring Semester E-Board Retreat: Monday, January 20, 2020
  o Weekly General Member Meetings: Thursdays at 6 p.m.
  o Weekly E-Board Meetings: To be determined based on E-Board member schedules

▪ SAA events frequently require time throughout the week for planning and execution of these programs such as Homecoming and OOzeball. Other assignments will be announced throughout the year. All E-Board members are expected to contribute equally to various assignments during their term.

▪ E-Board members should not have a disciplinary record or be currently under charges within the University judicial system.

▪ E-Board members should be in good standing with your school/college and not be on academic probation.

▪ E-Board members must make a commitment to the mission of the University and SAA and possess the following personal qualities: Enthusiasm, Leadership, Responsibility, Dependability, Maturity, Initiative, Dedication, and Punctuality.
Election Process:

Thursday, March 7, 2019
The application form and details are available on the SAA website (saa.rso.uconn.edu).

Monday, March 11, 2019
Nominations are due to the President. Submit nominations via email only (bryan.kirby@uconn.edu). Note: you do not need to be nominated to apply for a position.

Friday, March 15, 2019
Application forms are due by 11:59 p.m. Applications are available online; if you require a paper copy, please let the President or Advisor know as soon as possible. When your application is submitted, you will be asked to choose an interview time via a Doodle poll.

Tuesday, March 26 – Friday, April 5, 2019
Interviews with the Advisor and the President.

Thursday, April 11, 2019
Candidates present brief speech about qualifications to SAA members at meeting. Voting by general members during meeting. Absentee voting via email to Advisor allowed until Friday, April 12 at 12 p.m.

Saturday, April 13, 2019
2019-2020 E-Board members announced at Pinning Ceremony.

Questions about Positions:

If you have questions about any of the positions, please feel free to contact the individual currently in the position, the President, or the Advisor.

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VP of Finance:
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