

First Year Class Representative (Nicholas Ramsundar) Report Fall 2019

Throughout the Semester:

- Attend biweekly APSA General Council meetings
- Regularly update the first year Google Calendar with assignment due dates and upcoming events
- Send out weekly emails to the class, keeping the class informed on what is happening with the faculty and within APSA
- Assist our Social Representative in planning various events
- Attend biweekly office hours, 8-9am every second Wednesday
- Respond to any questions/concerns first year students have and relay these concerns to the faculty
- Regularly check in with as many first year students as I can to ensure that their mental health is okay
- Be open to having conversations with any of the first year students regarding how they feel about the program and help them if they are struggling
- Attend biweekly Curriculum Council meetings, discussing what changes can be made to the PharmD curriculum, specifically regarding first year courses and upcoming elective courses
- Regularly make public announcements in front of the class, telling them about specific events happening in the corresponding week
- Inform the first year class about any lunch-and-learns, or any other events held by APSA members
- Address others concerns about the professionalism of the first year class

September:

- Organized CPR training for the class
- Created a Google Calendar for assignments and due dates. I made it open for anyone in the class to add/edit. This helps to keep everyone in the class up-to date with events, and ensures they don't fall behind on assignments
- Addressed a technology issue with our medicinal chemistry course that impacted how assignments were given to the class

October:

- Helped to organize getting custom embroidered backpacks for the class
- Helped organized a class Halloween party
- Addressed a major concern about our skills lab course that involved an unfair distribution of lab facilitator feedback to students
- Assisted the Faculty at the UofA open house

November:

- Conducted mid-semester reviews, which directly got the first year student's opinions about individual classes and the PharmD program as a whole. Once completed, I took these reviews to the faculty
- Addressed professionalism concerns that was brought up to me by other classmates, and by people outside of the class

December:

- Created a Google Drive for the class to post pictures in from our various events. This acts as a common place for everyone's pictures from events within the faculty that can be used in the future for the creation of yearbooks.