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CASP STUDENT NEWSLETTER

We are here to represent you as students. We want to hear your ideas and suggestions. We want to hear from you.

MEET YOUR STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

QUENNIE DONG

Quennie Dong (she/her/hers) is a second-year doctoral student in the School Psychology program at UC Berkeley. She will be serving as the 2022-2023 CASP Student Board Representative for the northern region. Quennie is passionate about advocating for marginalized youth through the lens of social justice and cultural humility. Her current research interests include exploring how intergenerational trauma impacts youth and how culturally affirming social-emotional learning (SEL) can promote collective resilience.

BRYAN WILCOTS

Bryan Wilcots (he/him/his) is in his second year of the Fresno State Ed.S. in School Psychology Graduate Program. He will be serving as the 2022-2023 CASP Student Board Representative for the central region. While playing football at Chaffey College Community College Bryan worked as a security guard and worked events such as Jay-Z and Beyoncé's On the Run Tour, Ed Sheeran's Divided Tour, and the 2018 Los Angeles Rams vs Kansas City Chiefs Monday Night Football game.

TRICIA CHOY

Tricia Choy (she/her/hers) is a fourth-year doctoral student in the School Psychology at UC Riverside. She will be serving as the 2022-2023 CASP Student Board Representative for the southern region. Her research interest focuses on underlying neural correlates related to social skills and empathy and how the family unit impacts socialization in youth with autism. She enjoys working within a multi-disciplinary team to provide a holistic approach to care for students and families.

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RECAP CASP SUMMER BOARD RETREAT

This past August, the CASP board met to share goals and plans for the upcoming year. Two key areas of focus were *increasing* ***communication*** and ***building relationships*** within the board and with CASP members. The student board representatives had the chance to meet Regional representatives across the state and collaborate and contribute to future events and ways to improve CASP. Here are some highlights from the Board Meeting.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The Child and Youth Behavior Health Initiative: A state initiative for school counselors and PPS professionals to provide services to students between the ages of 0- 25 years on and off campus.

CASP advocates are working with the CA Teacher's Association, social workers, and nurses to provide and support this service to students.

The Golden State Teacher Grant was approved to help students. Grants include up to $20,000. To find out more, click here.

COMMITTEE REPORT

The Inclusive, Diversity, Equity, Access, and Liberation (IDEAL) Committee are looking for a Co-chair and committee members to increase the representation of diverse individuals within CASP.

Micro-Credentials: The CASP Board is looking to create accredited courses for continuing education and provide School Psychologists with expertise in specific fields of interest.

CASP STUDENT PAGE

Check out the CASP student webpage! The CASP student webpage offers resources, updates, and information relevant to school psychology graduate students. We are also open to your ideas and submissions in the near future for the student webpage. Don't hesitate to contact your Student Representative for more information and/or to share your ideas.

CASP Student Webpage, please click here

GRAD SCHOOL CHECKLIST: BACK-TO-SCHOOL EDITION

- ☑ Set up your study space and/or designated workspace for your studies and schoolwork.
- ☑ Set SMART goals for your semester (Specific, Measureable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound).
- ☑ Get involved and join your local and national professional associations (e.g., CASP, NASP, APA)!
- ☑ Be kind to yourself and make time for personal care. Graduate school is stressful and it is important to take good care of yourself.

CASP 2022 CONVENTION!

CASP Convention is just around the corner! CASP President Melissa Wood's convention theme is "Advocate. Activate. Advance." which is set to take place in Universal City, CA, in person on October 12-15th. This conference will offer many exciting professional development opportunities for graduate students to learn from experts in the field. There will be 75+ professional development activities on various relevant topics. We hope to see you there!

To register, please click here.

Volunteer opportunity!

CASP is in need of student workshop monitors at the convention. All volunteers will get the day's admission waived! If interested, please complete the sign-up sheet linked below.

CASP Volunteer Sign-up, please click here