

Student Advisory Board

2021-2022



Remington Beasley

- Remington is Junior majoring in accounting and minoring in Business Analytics.
- She is from Kansas City, Missouri.
- She has been involved in Traditions Council, Residence Hall Association, National Residence Hall Honorary, and Emerging Leaders as a participant.
- She is currently involved in Student Government Association, Emerging Leaders as a facilitator, Homecoming Committee as the Maroon and White Night co-coordinator, and a Resident Assistant in Freddy House.
- After graduation she plans on getting her MAcc and a Forensics Certificate.



Payton Branson

- Payton Branson is a senior at Missouri State University, and she is from Jefferson City, Missouri
- Payton is studying Marketing: Advertising & Promotion
- She has served as the Blair-Shannon Hall Council Publicity Chair, the RHA National Communications Coordinator, and the Midwest Affiliate College and University Residence Halls (MACURH) Regional Director.
- Payton currently serves as the NRHH Recruitment & Retention Chair, and a Blair-Shannon Resident Assistant.
- This is Payton's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Elliot Barber

- They are a second-year student from Fayette, Missouri; studying Socio-Political Communications and Disability Studies.
- They work as the Resources Assistant at the Multicultural Resource Center, as well as being involved in Ekklesia, the Missouri State Debate Squad, Bears LEAD, Delta Alpha Pi, and the Faith in the Vaccine project.
- They have done trans/LGBTQ focused activism throughout Missouri and are passionate about justice for all trans, disabled, BIPOC, LGTBQ+, etc. people.
- They plan to run for local office, and to get a master's in Library Science and to be a librarian.



Kathi Cooper

- Kathi Cooper is a second year Social Work major.
- Although undecided on a specific field, she is interested in substance abuse/addictions, grief counseling, and child abuse/neglect.
- She is co-Vice President of the Non-Traditional Student Organization and a member of the Social Work club, NAMI on Campus, and MSU: I'm 1st. *
- Some of my favorite things are a cold Pepsi, sunshine, dark chocolate, my houseplants, The Wizard of Oz, and spending time with my family.
- This is Kathi's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Armani Eason

- Armani is a first-generation senior from Chicago, Illinois
- She is a double major in Fashion Design and Intercultural Communications and Diversity
- She has served as an SGA Senator, a University Ambassador, the Public Relations Chair for Sister Circle, the Vice President and Social Media Chair for the African Student Association, a member of Emerging Leaders, Bears Lead, and has been a SOAR Leader
- She also recently started her own small business, INAM (@inamthbrand on Instagram)
- This is Armani's second year on the Student Advisory Board.



Hannah Gentry

- Hannah Gentry is a senior majoring in Criminology and minoring in Sociology, from Blue Springs, Missouri.
- She has served as a Resident Assistant for three years, as President and as Recognition Chair of NRHH (the National Residence Hall Honorary), and has experience with a variety of other residential and professional leadership positions on and off-campus.
- This will be Hannah's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Nathan Lewton

- Nathan Lewton is a Senior with double majors in Theatre & Spanish Translation and is from Hannibal, MO
- He has served as the Giveaways Chair & President of Traditions Council, Fundraising Chair & Homecoming Chair for his fraternity, a SOAR Leader, an URSA Major, and Greek Jam Coordinator for the 2021 Greek Week
- He currently serves as the President of Theta Chi Fraternity, Director of University Advancement for Student Government Association, and the Director of Greek Week
- This is Nathan's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Emily McKenna

- Emily is a sophomore from Liberty, Missouri
- She is working towards her BSED in English.
- She is a Senator for the Academic Affairs committee for SGA and a Vaccine Ambassador.
- This is Emily's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Maddie Merrill

- Madeline is a Cell and Molecular Biology major minoring in Chemistry and Spanish from St. Charles, Missouri
- She currently serves as the Sigma Sigma Sigma-Beta Beta Scholarship/Tutoring Chair, a GLaM mentor, a University Ambassador, a SOAR leader, the President of Gamma Pi Alpha, the Speaker Pro Tempore of SGA, and works in a lab with Dr. Kyoungtae Kim on campus.
- When Madeline graduates, she hopes to go to medical school in order to pursue a career in Pediatric Cardiothoracic Surgery
- This is Madeline's first year on the advisory board.



Drew Minnis

- Drew is in his second year and is from Chillicothe, Missouri.
- He is majoring in Hospitality Leadership with an emphasis in tourism, club management, food and beverage, lodging, general operations, and senior living management, with a minor in Sustainable Tourism Development.
- He currently works as a building manager and special events lead at the Foster Recreation Center and as a SOAR Leader this past summer.
- Drew also serves as the Director of Sustainability for Student Government Association and as the Vice President of Operations for his fraternity, Delta Sigma Phi.
- This is Drew's second year on the Student Advisory Board.



Rebecca Neumann

- Rebecca Neumann is a senior from Troy, IL.
- She is double majoring in Psychology and Sociology with a minor in Sign Language Studies and a certificate in Family and Juvenile Support Services.
- Rebecca is involved with Student Government Association serving as the 2021-2022 Missouri State University Senior Class President.
- Rebecca is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi and has been involved in several areas in Fraternity and Sorority Life serving on the Panhellenic Association Executive Board, the Fraternity and Sorority Leaders for Social Awareness executive board and previously served as Membership Development Coordinator on the Greek Week Committee.
- Rebecca has also been chosen to serve as the Leadership Assistant for Orientation and Transition Programs.
- After graduation, Rebecca plans on pursuing a degree in Student Affairs in Higher Education.
- This is Rebecca's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Christina Nguyen

- Chrissy is a junior from Blue Springs, MO
- She is majoring in Advertising and Promotion!
- She's a returning RA in Freddy House (aka the Best House!)
- Chrissy is serving her second term on the Student Government Association Cabinet as the Director of Student Affairs
- In her free time, she loves to roller skate and embroider!
- This is Chrissy's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Katherine Ruch

- Katherine is a Junior from St. Louis double majoring in Sociology and Communication Studies with a minor in Diversity Studies.
- She serves as Director of Research and Development for Student Government Association and as Vice-President of Administration for Alpha Omicron Pi.
- Katherine has spent the last two summers serving as a SOAR Leader.
- This is Katherine's second year on the Student Advisory Board.



Umutoni Sebunyenzi

- Umutoni is a Sophomore from St. Louis, Missouri
- She is studying Political Science, with a minor in Sociology
- Umutoni works as a Student Assistant in the Office of Student Affairs
- She currently serves as the Vice President of the African Student Association and the Retention and Recruitment Chair of Occupy Student Ministry
- This is Umutoni's first year on the Student Advisor Board.



Niyati Sethi

- Niyati is a second-year graduate student from New Delhi, India pursuing a Master's in Religious Studies and a graduate certificate in Public Policy.
- She serves as a Graduate Assistant in International Programs and is passionate about working with international students and creating a support system for them through organizations like Global Leaders and Mentors.
- This is Niyati's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Olivia Smith

- Olivia is a junior from Lincoln, Nebraska
- She is currently majoring in Mathematics with a minor in Business
- She is a Presidential Scholar and the President of Gamma Pi Alpha
- On campus she is a member of Alpha Delta Pi, Young Life, and Green Student Alliance
- This is Olivia's second year on the Student Advisory Board.



Chase Stockton

- Chase is a first-year graduate student from Springfield, MO in the Student Affairs in Higher Education Master's Program
- He serves as a GA in the Office of Student Conduct and is involved with the Alumni Association Board and Student Alumni Association
- This will be Chase's third year on the Student Advisory Board.



Rachel Weaver

- Rachel Weaver is a sophomore from Dallas, Texas and is double majoring in Public Relations and Dance.
- She serves as the Engagement Coordinator for Residence Hall Association and is a member of National Residence Hall Honorary.
- She serves as the secretary for Mo State Dance Co, is a member of Communication Studies Society, Residence Life Diversity Committee, Bears Lead, Association of Black Collegians, and the Communications Department Social Media's Team.
- She is the Social Media chair for Occupy Student Ministry.
- She is an intern for the Missouri States Athletics Communication and Marketing department.
- This is Rachel's first year on the Student Advisory Board.



Orlando Williams

- Orlando is a Junior from Saint Louis, Missouri majoring in Secondary Education English with a minor in Leadership
- He serves as the Retention & Recruitment Chair for The Association of Black Collegians (ABC) and a Bears LEAD Mentor. He is also a member of Occupy Campus Ministry and NAACP
- He's a student worker in the College of Education, Department of Childhood Education & Family Studies
- This is Orlando's second year on the Student Advisory Board