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NEWS FROM YOUR REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Hold on to your mortarboard, May has arrived! Happy season of chicken dinner banquets, end of the year celebrations, retirements, end of the year reports, evaluations, and of course, Commencement. When things get wild and busy at work, my sleep becomes restless & my dreams become vivid. Last night, I dreamed I was swimming in an ocean of orange soda. But.....it was just a *Fanta sea. (jokes, jokes, credit to justbadpuns on tumblr [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



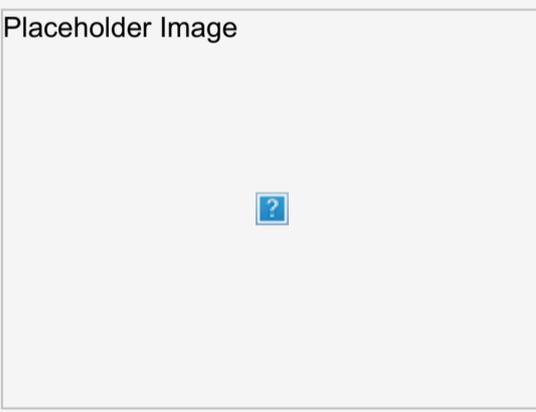
GET INVOLVED WITH NASPA IV-W NPGS KC!

Hi everyone! My name is PJ Martinez, and I am your New Professional & Graduate Student KC Rep. I also serve as the Assistant Director for Retention and Diversity Initiatives at the University of Arkansas' Multicultural Center. I am excited for these next two years and I hope to provide you with countless opportunities for furthering your education, volunteering and #MakingYourMark! [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



KC SPOTLIGHT- STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Hello everyone! I'm Bryan Goers. My day job is overseeing the Office of Student Engagement at the University of Missouri; however I also serve as the newly appointed Region IV-West Student Government KC Rep. [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



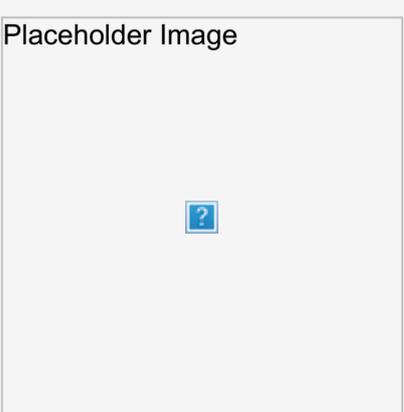
SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP!

Are you looking for a way to contribute to NASPA in the coming years? One of the best ways to contribute is through volunteering at the regional level and you are in luck because we have positions available for you to volunteer for!! [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



REGIONAL AWARDS ARE HERE!

It's that time of year again when you get the opportunity to recognize the hard work and impact of your colleagues. Each year NASPA recognizes members who are doing outstanding work in their field with awards presented at the regional conference. The available awards are as diverse as our region, and include individual awards as well awards that recognize programmatic efforts. [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



KANSAS MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

As I sit here reflecting this spring semester and anticipating graduation, I cannot believe how quickly this year has flown by. Graduation is always an exciting time not only for the students but the parents, families, faculty and staff! This time of year we get to celebrate our students for their hard work over the course of the semester, year, and their time at our institutions. [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)



REPRESENT THE NASPA FOUNDATION!

If you are considering a volunteer role in NASPA, please consider becoming a Foundation Ambassador! Due to the responsibilities of the Foundation Ambassador, the person in this role is able to have an impact on multiple areas of NASPA such as Knowledge Communities, Scholarships, Recognition and much more! [For rest of Blog, click here.](#)

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HELPING STUDENTS ACCESS CARE QUICKLY THROUGH RESEARCH

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