Annual Chapter Report

Please complete your Annual Chapter Report, adhering strictly to the format below, and submit it to the National Office via e-mail (RhoChi@unc.edu) by May 15.

Date of report submission: May 14, 2015

**Name of School/College:** Western University of Health Sciences

College of Pharmacy

**Chapter name and region:** Gamma Sigma Chapter

Region VIII – West Coast

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**Number of Rho Chi student members at college or school, listed by class year and program:**

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| **Class Year** | **Program** | **Number of Student Members** |
| 2005 | PharmD | 19 |
| 2006 | PharmD | 23 |
| 2007  2007 | PharmD  IPBP | 20  3 |
| 2008  2008 | PharmD  IPBP | 22  2 |
| 2009 | PharmD | 23 |
| 2010  2010 | PharmD  IPBP | 19  1 |
| 2011  2011 | PharmD  IPBP | 25  3 |
| 2012  2012 | PharmD  IPBP | 24  3 |
| 2013  2013 | PharmD  IPBP | 24  4 |
| 2014  2014 | PharmD  IPBP | 23  3 |
| 2015  2015 | PharmD  IPBP | 22  3 |
| 2016  2016 | PharmD  IPBP | 27  3 |
| 2017 | PharmD | 16 |
| **Total: 312** | | |

**Meetings**: Provide information on meetings held in the following tabular format (Limit 1.5 page)

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| Date | Attendance | Agenda | Action Steps |
| June 26, 2014  12-3pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | Priority: Project Proposal (Rx2 ): set up platform   * Guest Speaker Event, specialist in pharmacy * Member appreciation: Lunch with members (September 2, 2014 @ noon): * Wine and Cheese Event: (October 15, 2014) * Educator week: (November 10-14) Decorate hallways, faculty panel, faulty roundtable * Budget updates and fundraiser ideas (T-shirts/Clipboards) * Rho Chi Website updates: promote and publication of Club | * Google doc set up with Rho Chi Website for the project proposal, email draft to Dr. Schwartzman by July 1, 2014 (Darwin & Francis) * Email Dr. Cynthia Jackevicius for Guest Speaker Event (Behnam) * Food for Membership Appreciation Day (Danielle & Francis) |
| August 12, 2014  12-1pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Phi Lambda Sigma Welcome Mixer (August 8, 2014) * Membership Appreciation Day (September 2, 2014) | * Get gift cards and last year T-shirts: “I Love Rx” to give out for Phi Lambda Sigma Mixer. (Nhi & Francis) * Proposal Project Rx2. Need to introduce to students and faculty. Meet up with Dr. Swartzman August 14, 2014 during lunch. (Behnam, Francis, and Darwin) |
| September 17, 2014  12-1PM | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Club day T-shirt sales update, * Wine and Cheese Event Updates. * Career Day Tabling (October 6, 2014) Faculty: Dr. Scott, Dr. Chan, Dr. Kugler, Dr. Davies. | * Tabling T-Shirt sale ASAP. Tabling during lunch from September 22-24th 2014. (Behnam) * Flyers for T-Shirt tabling. (Darwin) |
| October 15, 2014  12-1pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Wine and Cheese Update (October 16, 2014) * Fundraiser/Budgets updates: raffles and fundraiser (clipboards) | * Email task assignments for Wine and Cheese Event. (Nhi & Danielle) * Email Dr. Schwartzman for approval of theme and get list of faculty list to email professors for the roundtable. (Thanh and Behnam) |
| November 5, 2014  12-1pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Faculty panel November 11th 2014 at 12pm * Faculty roundtable November 13th, 2014 at 3:30pm * Santa Workshop on December 6th at 11am * Banquet: Vellano Country Club details | * Place Chipotle order by Sunday, November 9th (Nhi) * Supplies for Faculty panel (Danielle) * Vellano Country Club call for availability (Francis) |
| November 19, 2014  12-1pm | All Board Members:  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Banquet Updates * Santa’s Workshop on December 6th, Saturday 11am-4pm * Clipboard Fundraiser * Dr. J for Guest Speaker in January | * Supplies/Decorations for holiday lunch (red tablecloths, centerpieces, red and green color themes, paper plates) (Nhi & Francis) * Banquet video and playlist needed (Francis & Darwin) |
| December 11, 2014  12-1pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Banquet Proposal: Vellano Country Club on March 19, 2015; Thursday * Clipboard Fundraisers * Guest Speaker: Dr. Jackevicius on January 15, 2015 | * Finalize food and venue and décor (Francis, Nhi) |
| January 7, 2015    8th Board Meeting  12-1pm | All Board Members  Advisor:  Dr. Schwartzman | * Guest Speaker Event with Dr. J on January 15, 2015. * Banquet meeting with Vellano Country Club on February 3, 2015 for banquet details. * Video presentation | * Make a list of faculty to add to the Banquet Video (Darwin and Francis) * Final preparations for banquet |

**Strategic Planning**: What goals were set that relate to the Rho Chi mission? (Limit 0.5 page)

As with every year, the Gamma Sigma Chapter of Rho Chi sets out with three primary goals: to give back to the community, to promote academia and research and to promote the field of pharmacy as a whole. Along with these goals, we also incorporate Rho Chi’s mission statement of facilitating learning and collaboration with each event. To help with the community and also to foster collaboration, we set up events such as Santa’s Workshop in conjunction with Western University Student Government, a body which consists of student representatives from all schools on campus. The involvement of all different schools made it possible to exchange ideas and allow members to network and practice working as a team, much like a real health care team. Amongst all professional pharmaceutical organizations, Rho Chi is the most heavily involved in promotion of the academic and research field, with the end goal of fostering intellectual development not only in current members but for all involved in the pharmacy field. To promote academia, we dedicated a week for events such as a faculty round table and faculty question panel. We also had a networking event where guests were past Rho Chi members and current faculty. This set the stage for meeting two of our goals: collaboration, through networking with other members, and promotion of the academic field through interaction with current faculty. Another event that promoted academia, research and intellectual advancement was a guest speaker event focusing on Dr. Cynthia Jackevicius, a widely published and respected faculty member and Rho Chi alumnus. The event not only allowed students to discover more about research and the importance of evidence-based practice, it also allowed students to obtain a concise lecture on statins and cardiovascular events, thereby enhancing current knowledge. For the incoming years, we will continue our tradition of focusing on these primary goals through development of lunch speaker series, guest lectures and of course networking events.

**Activities**: This section is usually the primary focus of the report. The chapter reports should contain detailed descriptions of all activities developed and conducted to further the society’s mission (**See Appendix 1 for Chapter Activities Report Template**). It may contain a combination of activities within the college and/or university as well as activities that provide outreach outside the academic community. School-wide events that provide evidence of intellectual leadership (e.g., a sponsored lecture, symposium, poster session, etc.) may be included. Service activities for non-members such as tutoring may be included. It is recommended that students also provide at least one community service activity outside of the academic institution (e.g., volunteering at a long-term care facility, providing health information to patients/citizens in the community, etc.) provided that it is consistent with the mission of the Rho Chi Society. The description must include whether these activities are on-going (if so, for how long) or are new initiatives. (Limit 1500 words)

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| **Rho Chi-Gamma Sigma, Western University of Health Sciences Activity Table** | | | | | | | |  |
| Category of Activity | Title of Activity | Brief Description | How Does This Activity Align With the Rho Chi Mission Statement? | Years the Activity has Been Ongoing? | If Activity has Been Ongoing for >1 Year, What Evaluations Have Been Done to Assess the Success of the Activity and What Improvements Have Been Done Over the Past Year? | How Many Members Participated in the Activity? | How Many Students (non-members) and/or Patients were impacted by the Activity? | Financial Information for the Activity [Budget Required, Fundraising Amount] |
| Intellectual Leadership Activities (i.e., tutoring, sponsored lectures, poster sessions, etc.) | Faculty Panel | The Faculty Panel is an interactive event where 7-10 faculty members discuss their path of getting into Academia. It is an opportunity for students to learn what Academia is about from different academic fields | The Faculty Panel event advocates academic pharmacy careers. It introduces students to the field of Academia and the steps to work towards Academia which aligns with the Rho Chi Mission Statement. | 4 years | In order to improve what has been done over the past year, we ask different faculty members to participate in this event, so we have a diverse set of professors with specific specialties. Students surveyed were very pleased that the event incorporated a variety of professors, which is the reason we decided to invite multiple students. Due to past experiences where time was an issue, we maintained a strict schedule for the open-microphone question and answer session, allowing only a designated time frame for each answer. | 20 | 63 | $490.00 |
| The Faculty Round Table | The Faculty Round Table is the follow-up to Faculty Panel where students get to have more face-to-face time with the professors. The students are able to inquire more about their specialties and path towards Academia. | The Faculty Round Table further advocates academia, it promotes critical inquiry and to pursue intellectual excellence. This event serves to continue Rho Chi Mission Statement. | 2 years | Last year, students did not have enough time with the professors, thus we increased the time frame so students may spend more time at each table which made the event more fulfilling and not rushed for the students and professors. Much like the faculty lunch panel, we were able to incorporate professors from a variety of specialties. | 10 | 21 | $250.00 |
| Guest Speaker | This is an annual event in which Rho Chi invites outstanding guest speakers to give a speech in an area of pharmacy during lunchtime. The objective of this event is to give a more in-depth insight of various aspects of pharmacy to our attendees. | This event introduces different areas of pharmacy to our attendees by listening to the pharmacists who are experts in those areas. This aligns with Rho Chi mission, which is promoting critical inquiry and intellectual interest. Specifically, this event focused on research from a Rho Chi alumna and professor, Dr. Jackevicius, and her research findings on statins. Not only were students educated in statins, they also were given a brief look into how much dedication goes into researching. | 2 years | This year we scheduled the event on a day that there was no IPPE rotation for the first year students and it was early in the second semester before the exams and quizzes started. Also, we had a fair amount of advertisements for the event. All these led into a high number of attendees showing up for the event. | 15 | 58 | $459.22 |
|  | Career Day | This annual event is a college-wide event attracting representatives from major retail chains, hospitals, managed-care institutions. Amongst these fields, our chapter was there to represent academia, an underrepresented field compared to the rest of the participants. | This event embodies the Rho Chi mission to inspire collaboration and intellectual development by allowing students to explore not just one aspect of pharmacy but also the collaborative efforts of multiple pharmacy fields and their impact on the progression of the profession. Rho Chi is heavily focused on the promotion of academia and this event was crucial in advocating for the academic field. | 5 years | From last year’s experience, we were able to schedule the two professors that were involved at different peak times such that students will get to talk to different professors and gather a unique perspective. Students were pleased that they were able to interact with professors from different positions, one from an administrative standpoint and another from an assistant professor standpoint. | 2 | ~100 | $21.54 |
| College of Pharmacy Events [non-academic, non-patient outreach] | Wine and Cheese | This is an annual networking event that allows current members to connect with alumni and faculty in a casual and welcoming setting. | Among one of Rho Chi’s Mission statements is to foster collaboration, which is what this event allowed. Since it facilitated the get-together of students with various pharmacists from different settings and also faculty, it allowed for a platform for networking, idea exchanging and collaboration amongst members. | 7 years | To improve on the networking experience and to also promote our club’s emphasis on academia, we were able to get a high number of faculty to come. Also, although not done in past years, we facilitated communication by placing members and faculty together in tables such that a small, one-on-one setting was established to ease both parties into mingling. | 13 | N/A | $227.47 |
| Initiation Banquet | The initiation banquet is a mandatory annual celebratory dinner to welcome new initiates. The celebratory dinner also included speeches from current board members, Dean Daniel Robinson and current faculty members. | This event fulfilled the mission statement of fostering collaboration since it allowed students to gather and interact with current members and faculty. | 11 years | During the past years, we had great feedback with the slideshow and as such, that tradition was continued. For our academic achievement recipients, we gifted them with a pharmacology handbook as to prepare them for rotations. This new addition was very well received. Preparations for other years were limited on time. As such, to optimize the banquet’s quality, we came much earlier to rehearse and set up decorations. | 29 | 62 (friends and family members of initiates) | $4171 |
|  | Membership  Luncheon | This event was our first event of the year and was created to welcome back our members. During this event, we outlined the goals and set the forth the events for the year. Members were given lunch as a token of our chapter appreciation for their involvement and as an incentive to continue being involved in chapter activities. | This event fulfilled the mission statement of fostering collaboration. It was a collaborative event between members and board member to share opinions about both past and future events. | 7 years | Feedback from previous events showed that there were scheduling conflicts due to other lunch meetings happening concomitantly so this was scheduled for a day without it to accommodate as many members as possible. | 20 | N/A | $107 |
| Patient Outreach Events/ Community Service | Santa’s Workshop | This is a collaborative, interprofessional holiday event that served Pomona’s foster children by providing entertainment, fun children’s activities and food. Rho Chi volunteers were in charge of decorations and dessert. Volunteers were able to interact personally with the children while decorating cupcakes, creating a caring and interactive environment. | As members of Rho Chi, it is necessary to help the members of the community. We strived to create a setting where children feel comfortable to interact, seek advice and help from future pharmacists such that one day, when they need to, they will develop the same relationship with actual pharmacists or any other member of the healthcare field. | 2 years | Last year, the event was a success but there was feedback that members wanted earlier notice of the event and we did just that as to accommodate the schedules of our volunteers. Instead of sending out notices 2 weeks before hand, we set out notices a month before hand. This year, we also focused on activities that allowed volunteers to interact on a personal level with the children. The chosen activity was cupcake decorating, which was fun, educational and interactive for everyone involved. | 5 | ~300 | $55 |
| Fundraising Events | T-shirt Sale | Our T-shirt sale is an annual fundraiser held in the fall and is known throughout our College of Pharmacy as one of Rho Chi’s trademark fundraisers. | Fostering fellowship in our College of Pharmacy was our main goal for the fundraiser. Seeing the many students and faculty purchase and wear and our T-shirt recognizes our Gamma Sigma Chapter member’s hard work and encourages us to continue the annual trademark fundraiser. | 4 years | This year, our T-shirt had a new design as a strategy to revamp our look and increase revenue. We kept the “RX” as our essential logo and surrounded it with a laurel wreath to show for recognition. Overall, this fundraiser was a success since it was profitable and well supported throughout campus. | 6 | 56 | Revenue: $840  Cost: $717.77 |
| Clipboard Sale | Our White Coat Clipboard Sale is our other trademark annual fundraiser. This clipboard folds into a compact size small enough to fit into the pockets of white coats worn by student pharmacists during rotations. | Contributing to the development of intellectual leaders was our main goal for this fundraiser. The clipboards contained relevant normal lab value ranges, drug concentration targets, therapeutic goals for various disease states and other useful and important information pertaining to pharmacy practice that pharmacy rotation students find useful to carry around during rotations. This provides an easy access resource to various therapeutic values as well as the convenience of having something to use to write on during rotations. Using this clipboard appropriately will help build on the skills and confidence a pharmacy student gains during rotations while developing into a future leader in healthcare. | 4 years | This year, our clipboard fundraiser extended to other colleges by offering other clipboards for nursing and other medical related healthcare professions. We also offered more color variations to help increase revenue. This fundraiser was quite a success since it was very profitable. | 6 | 148 | Revenue:$3785  Cost:$2683.02 |

**Financial/ Budgeting**: Provide information on how your budget was determined and approved and how it supported your chapter’s activities. Include information on fund-raising that was conducted to meet this budget. (Limit 250 words) (**See Appendix 2 for Budget Example Template.**)

The budget was determined from past budgets and the previous year’s expenditures. Budgets were proposed and approved via a board vote, with a majority vote (4 votes) in favor of the budget signifying the passing of the budget. Board votes were conducted following Robert’s Rules and must align with previous functions and the Rho Chi national mission statement.

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| ***The Rho Chi Society Financial Summary 2014-2015*** | | |  |
| **9/2/2014 - Membership Welcome Lunch** | Expenses | Remaining Balance | Comments |
| Food (El Appetiz) | $107 | 23613.65 |  |
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| **10/6/2014 - T-shirt Fundraiser** |  |  |  |
| T-shirts (25) | $275.77 | 23337.88 | Sold Out |
| T-shirts (50) | $442 | 22895.88 |  |
| **T-shirt Sale Revenue** |  | **$840** |  |
|  |  | **$23,736** |  |
| **10/6/15 - Career Day** |  |  |  |
| Chocolate, bowl | $21.54 | 23714.34 |  |
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| **10/16/2014 - Wine and Cheese Events** |  |  |  |
| Desserts | $18 | 23696.34 |  |
| Gem stickers | $9.72 | 23686.62 |  |
| Food (Vince's Spaghetti) | $107.95 | 23572.67 |  |
| Supplies (plates, napkins, etc.) | $25.96 | 23552.71 |  |
| Cheese, crackers, cider, cream puffs | $65.84 | 53486.87 | Wine donated |
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| **11/10/14 to 11/14/14 - Academia Week** |  |  |  |
| Refreshments | $42.19 | 23444.68 |  |
| Faculty Panel Lunch (Chipotle) | $479.87 | 22964.81 | 20% discount |
| Decorations, Supplies, Plates | $103.23 | 22861.58 |  |
| Gift Bags | $19.00 | 22842.58 |  |
| Gift Cards | $70.00 | 22772.58 |  |
| Ice Tea Mix | $5.37 | 22767.21 |  |
| Serving Platters, Name tags | $9.81 | 22757.4 |  |
| Faculty Roundtable (Sprout Catering) | $87.97 | 22669.43 |  |
| Raffle Prize | $30 | 22666.43 | Starbucks GC |
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| **12/8 to 12/11/14 - Clipboard Fundraiser** |  |  |  |
| Clipboard Order (155) | $2,798.18 | 19868.25 |  |
| Shipping | $64.84 | 19802.41 |  |
| **Clipboard Sale Revenue** |  | **$3,785** | **3x profit from 2013** |
|  |  | 23587.41 |  |
| **1/15/15 - Guest Speaker** |  |  |  |
| Food (KFC) | $379.87 | 23207.54 | 10% Discount |
| Refreshments | $36.42 | 23171.12 |  |
| Gift (Gift Card, Coffee Mug, Gift Bag) | $42.93 | 23128.19 |  |
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| **3/19/15 - Initiation Banquet** |  |  |  |
| Security Deposit | $500 | 22628.19 |  |
| Venue Reservation (84 guests) | $2,444.13 | 20184.06 |  |
| Gift for Academic Achievement Recipients (Pharmacotherapy Book) | $155.34 | 20028.72 |  |
| Decorative Tree (Spray Paint) | $11.59 | 20017.13 |  |
| Flowers, Vases, Decorations,  Stones (meal selection) | $161.82 | 19855.31 | Homemade |
| Balloons (48) | $51.84 | 19803.47 |  |
| Guest Speaker Gift (orchard flower) | $100 | 19703.47 |  |
| Polo Shirts (26) | $679.07 | 19024.4 |  |
| Gratuity/ Service Charge | $581.54 | 18442.86 |  |
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| **New Website Project** |  |  |  |
| Web Hosting (Linux Server) | $12 | 18430.86 |  |
| Domain Name (GoDaddy) | $2.17 | 18428.69 |  |
| Template (Themeforest) | $68 | 18360.69 |  |
| Starting Balance as of 8/2014 | $22,935 |  |  |
| Remaining Balance as of 5/2015 | $27,824 |  |  |
| Remaining Balance includes educational revenue ($8290, $2817 in dues and fees) | | |  |

**Initiation Function**: Describe the initiation function, including when and where it took place, who attended it (not specific names), information on the speaker (if applicable), etc. (Limit 250 words).

The 11th Annual Initiation Banquet for the Gamma Sigma chapter took place on Thursday, March 19, 2015 from 6:30 – 9:30PM at the Vellano Country Club. The initiation ceremony included 16 members from the class of 2017, 10 from the class of 2016 and 3 from the International Post-Baccalaureate Program. The ceremony drew an audience of 81 attendees that included friends and family of initiates along with faculty members, the Dean and the current Rho Chi Gamma Sigma Chapter board and committee members. The ceremony’s keynote speaker was Dr. Olivia Phung, an alumnus from the Beta Tau Chapter and a faculty member at Western University of Health Sciences. Dr. Phung’s primary teaching focus at WesternU is in evidence-based clinical practice, and her research expertise is in systematic review and meta-analysis, with an emphasis in prevention and treatment of diabetes. Dr. Phung’s speech emphasized the drive for life-long learning that she acquired during her time as a member. Dean Daniel Robinson, former Rho Chi national president, also spoke about how happy he was to see the organization continue to grow and develop. Chapter President Behnam Radi and Vice President Nhi Dinh spoke reflected on the activities of the past year and advice for new members. Chapter Advisor Dr. Emmanuelle Schwartzman performed the initiation ritual with help from current board members and also gave a speech about the history and proud tradition of the Rho Chi Fraternity.

**Evaluation/Reflection**: Provide a reflective paragraph that evaluates the effectiveness of your activities and ways to improve. (Limit 500 words)

The past year, our chapter set out to continually refine our events, create new events and realize the Rho Chi mission statement. Just as previous years, Academia Week events, which included hallway decoration, faculty panel and round table, attracted the attention of a great number of participants and was the most popular event of the year. The theme this year for academia week was pharmacy based, wherein each professor was listed as a “Top 200 drug”. As our chapter’s biggest event, Academia Week was highly effective in facilitating an environment for our pharmacy students to have all their questions regarding pursuing a career in academia answered by our guest faculty members. We had a great number of attendees and received overwhelmingly positive feedback from both our students and our faculty members who attended the Academia week events. In order to make the event different and appealing to a wide variety of students, we invited faculty from different practices such as acute, ambulatory, intensive care and also professors in administrative positions.

One aspect we definitely improved was our fundraising efforts, in particular with our clipboard sales. This year, through an agreement with the PharmD class of 2016, we were able to triple our profits from last year and use that revenue to fund the annual banquet and future chapter activities. Another fundraising effort that has been improved upon was our T-shirt sales, which took place in August. This year, the shirt designs were redesigned completely, making it the first time our club has changed the design in more than 3 years. This was done due to the fact that there were requests for design changes when students were surveyed. The new design was very well received and was a great source of funding for the club, matching the revenue of previous years.

Overall, our events were significantly effective and aligned with our mission statements.

All our events were targeted to promote intellectual excellence and critical inquiry among our event attendees. In addition, feedback from members was conducted in a year-end survey and was used as valuable input for future activities. Survey results suggested the continuation of our current events but with a focus on more events catered to those interested in residencies. As a point for improvement, we suggest our subsequent boards to have guest speaker events once a month and invite speakers from different areas of pharmacy.

**Other information**: If you would like to provide other information about your chapter that was not included in the above categories (e.g., development of a new website, organizing a regional meeting, etc.), add it here: (Limit 500 words)

As a part of a well-known national organization, the Gamma Sigma chapter strives to maintain a connection with our members and their families. One way we accomplish this is through maintenance of our chapter website, which we are currently updating. The website serves as a platform so that members, alumni, their friends and families are connected to the chapter’s activities. Our chapter uses the new website to publish photos, calendar of events, and biographies of our board members. The new website will be redesigned with the additional feature of incorporating our Rx2 project, which is an ongoing endeavor to provide students with research opportunities with current faculty. While still a work in progress, our website will have a platform for posting faculty research interests and allow students to contact faculty regarding research opportunities. The purpose behind this project is for our chapter to add as a matching operation to link students with research opportunities that are scarcely found elsewhere. Another future project of our chapter is a lunch lecture series that is focused on residency and post graduation opportunities. This project will consists of three lunch sessions wherein students will learn how to increase their chances of post-graduate training, learn about the application and matching processes. With these new projects on the horizon, we look forward to another year of growth and success for our chapter.