



Anyssa Barbosa

Academic and Membership Affairs

Education: Oklahoma Panhandle State University (B.A.), Texas Tech University (Candidate for J.D., Candidate for M.S. Sport Management)

Anyssa Barbosa earned her B.A. in history from Oklahoma Panhandle State University, where she was a four-year starter for the Division II Aggie softball team. She served on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee for three years before becoming president in her final year, 2015. In 2016, she was selected by the Heartland Conference to attend the Student-Athlete Leadership Forum. In her time at OPSU, she was a staff member in the Sports Information Department and president of the Hispanic American Leadership Organization, as well as co-editor of her school paper and yearbook.

Following graduation, Anyssa entered the Texas Tech School of Law, where she is a dual-degree student seeking to receive both her J.D. and a M.S. in Sport Management. She serves on the boards of both the Sports and

Entertainment Law Society and the Hispanic Law Student Association.

Anyssa is Mexican-American, the oldest of four children and was born and raised in Texas.



Ashley Beaton

Governance — Division II

Education: University of Illinois at Springfield (B.A.); University of North Georgia (MBA)

Ashley Beaton, a St. Louis native, was a Division II volleyball student-athlete at Illinois Springfield in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. She was a GLVC Academic All-Conference honoree, as well as a team captain. Beaton earned her B.A. in developmental psychology from Illinois Springfield.

Beaton served on Illinois Springfield's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee for three years and was the secretary, vice president and president. She also was GLVC representative to the national Division II SAAC from 2015 to 2018, serving as a member of the SAAC Executive Board and the female SAAC representative on the Division II Management Council. Beaton was also a committee member on the Board of Governors Commission To Combat Sexual Violence.

After graduating from Illinois Springfield, Beaton attended North Georgia to pursue her Master of Business Administration as a graduate assistant for athletics administration.

Beaton attended Lafayette High School, in Wildwood, Missouri, where she and her volleyball team won two consecutive Missouri Class 4 State Championships as a part of Lafayette's six-year winning streak ending in 2017.

In her free time, she loves to hike, spend time outdoors, bake and try new restaurants. She is also an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals.



Ryan Bermudez

Communications — Organizational and Community Outreach
Education: University of South Carolina (B.S.)

Ryan Bermudez joins the NCAA after working with the nonprofit organization EngenuitySC located in Columbia, South Carolina. At the organization, Bermudez worked as a project manager with a focus on helping the city of Columbia prosper and compete with other similar metropolitan areas. Ryan also worked in a marketing role.

Bermudez graduated from the University of South Carolina in Columbia, where he received a B.S. in public relations and a minor in business administration. Bermudez joined the South Carolina track and field team as a walk-on and eventually was named a captain his senior year. Bermudez was named a second team All-American, SEC All-American and an Academic All-American, along with numerous honor roll awards during his time at South Carolina.

Bermudez is a native of Miami, Florida. In his free time, he enjoys running, mentoring young men and reading.



Leland Brown III

Diversity & Inclusion
Education: Bethel College – KS (B.A), University of Cincinnati (M.S.)

Leland Brown III is a native of Galveston Island, Texas. He earned his bachelor's degree at Bethel College (Kansas), with majors in English and communication arts with teaching endorsements in English education & speech and theater education. While at Bethel, Brown was the captain of the Thresher football team, president of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, vice president of the Kansas National Education Association and a campus-wide chaplain. In addition, Leland sang in the concert choir and performed in several theater productions.

Upon graduating, he worked for the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the University of Cincinnati. At Colorado, he served as an admission counselor for access populations. At Cincinnati, he served as a program coordinator for the Office of Ethnic Programs and Services. In spring 2018,

Leland accepted the prestigious Albert C. Yates fellowship and a graduate assistantship within the sports administration program and will complete his thesis in August.

Leland is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and is passionate about his family, football, singing opera, traveling and impacting the communities he is a part of.



Nikki Buchanan

Championships — Operations

Education: University of Washington (B.A.); Georgetown University (MPS)

Nikki Buchanan is a native of Bow, Washington. Buchanan graduated from Washington in 2016 with a bachelor's degree in sociology and a minor in history. During her time on campus at Washington, she spent four years on the co-ed cheer team while serving as a captain her junior and senior years, was a member of the Chi Omega sorority and earned dean's list honors.

Upon graduation in 2016, Buchanan spent a season as a volunteer assistant coach with Washington's coed cheer team and three seasons as an assistant coach for Bellevue College's game day cheerleading team. Buchanan also worked in the professional world for two years as an operations/human resources manager, where she was the primary service contact for over 300 employees. In 2018, Buchanan enrolled at Georgetown to earn her master's degree in sports industry management. While completing her master's online, she returned to her alma mater and worked as a game day

experience intern in the athletics department while both the football and men's basketball programs won Pac-12 Conference championships.

Buchanan enjoys spending time outside in the Pacific Northwest, traveling with her friends and family, and staying active.



Alexis Bussey

Executive/Strategic Communications

Education: University of Delaware (B.A.); Georgetown University (MPS)

Alexis Bussey, a native Delawarian, is a 2015 graduate of the University of Delaware, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in English with a minor in journalism. She also assisted the director of multimedia with shooting and editing video features, game recaps and highlight packages for all University of Delaware Athletics home events. Bussey was also elected public relations chair of Delaware's Black Student Union, where she directed marketing for the organization's events and generated public awareness of the student-led organization. Off-campus, Bussey frequently volunteered at the African American Museum of Philadelphia, where she served as a special events assistant.

In May 2019, Bussey graduated from Georgetown University, where she earned her master's degree in sports industry management. Additionally, Bussey served as an activation manager for USA Marketing during the

2018 MLB All-Star Game and interned in the community relations department for the Philadelphia Union. In her free time, she enjoys exploring new restaurants, relaxing with a good book, spending time with her family and friends, traveling and watching sports.



Elizabeth Conte

Governance — Division I

Education: University of North Carolina Asheville (B.A.)

Elizabeth Conte hails from Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Conte completed her bachelor's degree in economics with minors in Spanish and legal studies at the UNC Asheville. At UNC Asheville, Conte was a swimming student-athlete with sprint and mid-distance freestyle as her main events. She was a four-year Coastal Collegiate Sports Association All-Academic team recipient.

Conte worked in UNC Asheville's athletics department in both sports information and the donor relations departments. Conte also served on her school's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee for four years and was president her senior year. Conte was the Big South Conference representative on the national Division I SAAC during her senior year and was the chair of the conference SAAC. She also served on the Competition Oversight Committee.

In her free time, Conte loves being active, enjoying the outdoors, reading a good book, painting and going to country music concerts.



Gina de Haan

Communications — Public and Media Relations

Education: Calvin College (B.A.)

Gina de Haan comes to the NCAA from Calvin College, a private liberal arts school in her hometown of Grand Rapids, Michigan, where she earned a bachelor of arts degree in organizational communication and was a multi-semester dean's list honoree. As a high school junior and senior, de Haan did short internship stints with the sports information director at Calvin, and parlayed that into a four-year student assistant position in the sports information department at the college. In the SID's office, she did everything from in-game stats work to on-the-fly social media posts to written game recaps for the media. She has worked multiple NCAA Division III Finals hosted at Calvin, including women's basketball and volleyball. In 2017, de Haan was awarded a grant to participate in the inaugural NCAA Division III College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Student Program and attend the CoSIDA Annual Convention in Orlando,

Florida.

Off campus, de Haan did a yearlong internship at Fortune 500 company Steelcase, as well as a half-year internship at American multi-level marketing company Amway before graduating in December 2018. She also spent a semester in Nicaragua, learning Spanish and volunteering in the capital city of Managua at a school, women's vocational rehab center and an urban health clinic.

As the daughter of a former sports information director, de Haan developed a love for sports at a young age. She is an avid sports fan and has previously served as a USA Hockey official.



Shaylie Fawcett

Championships — Marketing

Education: Brigham Young University (B.A.)

Shaylie Fawcett hails from Riverside, California, and is a recent graduate of Brigham Young, where she earned a bachelor's degree in communications with an emphasis in public relations. During her time at Brigham Young, she spent four years in the athletic marketing department. She oversaw the marketing and game production efforts for football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, volleyball and soccer. A competitive baton twirler for 16 years, Fawcett also served as the featured baton twirler for Brigham Young and shared her talents at various sporting and campus events.

Fawcett interned for the Los Angeles Dodgers in their front offices in baseball operations starting in April of 2018. She continues to work for the Dodgers remotely.

Currently, Fawcett is pursuing a master's degree in coaching and athletics administration at Concordia (California). She enjoys owning and operating her own business, Only Twirlers, which is a modern, baton twirling apparel company. Fawcett likes to travel, enjoys country music and loves anything and everything Broadway.



Jenny Fischer

Championships — Social

Education: Marquette University (B.A.)

Jenny Fischer completed her degree in journalism with a minor in digital media studies in May at Marquette. Fischer started working in the Marquette athletics media relations department as a freshman, working home events for Olympic sports and assisting sports information directors in the office. Fischer was quickly promoted to the head assistant and began to work closely with Marquette men's basketball. She helped with projects surrounding the 100th anniversary of Marquette basketball and covered digital/social efforts in-game for each home contest.

Fischer also has served as a sideline reporter for the Big East Conference and its digital network for the past two years, covering mainly women's basketball, but also assisting at the men's Big East Tournament at Madison Square Garden in 2018 and 2019.

She interned at FOX Sports in New York City in the summer of 2018 in its media relations department. In Milwaukee, Fischer interned for the Milwaukee Brewers in their media relations department after her freshman year at Marquette. She spent two semesters at WTMJ Radio in both the news and sports departments and was able to cover the Milwaukee Bucks for the station. She also spent a summer with Spectrum Sports and helped cover the U.S. Open.

Fischer competed on the women's club basketball team and coached the men's club team at Marquette. She served on the executive board of her sorority, Alpha Phi. Fischer, who originally is from Hartland, Wisconsin, led a Bible study at Marquette and also kickboxes in her free time.



Marcos Gonzales

Enforcement

Education: Southern Virginia University (B.A.), Santa Barbara College of Law (J.D.)

Marcos Gonzales is from Santa Maria, California. He earned his J.D. from Santa Barbara College of Law with a Certificate of Concentration in Criminal Law. He also attended Southern Virginia University, where he participated on the basketball team and received his B.A. in English. He has a soccer marketing and management certificate from the Sports Institute Barcelona and a mediator certificate per the State of California Dispute Resolution Act.

Gonzales worked for the City of Santa Barbara's Rental Housing Mediation Program mediating residential landlord and tenant disputes. He also has worked as a personal injury attorney in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Additionally, he has experience with criminal defense and eDiscovery work. Prior to working in the legal industry, he coached boys junior high

and high school basketball. Most recently, he was an intern with the compliance department at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He enjoys spending time with his wife and two sons rooting for the Warriors, Raiders, and the U.S. and Argentina national soccer teams.

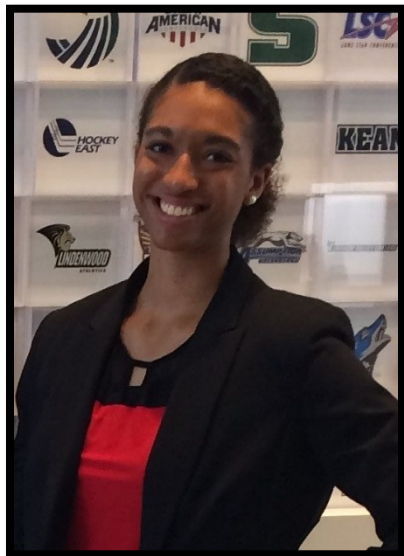


Dana Goularte

Enforcement

Education: Western Oregon University (B.A.), Seattle University (M.S.B.L.)

A native of Washington state, Dana Goularte is a 2016 graduate of Western Oregon University, where she competed as a member of both the basketball and soccer teams. She earned her degree in business and went on to earn her master's degree in sports administration from Seattle University. Throughout her professional journey, she has held internships at the Great Northwest Athletic Conference office, as well as the athletic departments at Seattle University and the University of Washington.



Whitney Johnson

Leadership Development

Education: University of New Mexico (B.B.A.), Southern Utah University (M.B.A.)

Whitney Johnson received her undergraduate degree in business administration with a concentration in organizational leadership from the University of New Mexico, and later earned her Master of Business Administration degree from Southern Utah University. She was privileged to play basketball for both Division I programs and thoroughly enjoyed having her sister as a teammate during her time at Southern Utah.

Prior to working at the NCAA, Johnson lived in Bloomington, Indiana, and worked in the athletic department at Indiana University. Her position as the Big 10 diversity intern and excellence academy specialist has given her a behind-the-scenes view of an autonomy-five athletic department, which complements her personal collegiate athletic experience well. In addition to athletics, her passions include reading, hiking, spending time with

family and meal prepping.



Alex Joss

Administrative Services — Finance and Accounting

Education: Ball State University (B.S.)

Alex Joss is a native of Novi, Michigan, and graduated cum laude from Ball State's Miller College of Business in 2018 with a double major in finance and accounting and an economics minor. While at Ball State, he was a three-year starter on the football team, where he was voted a team captain by his teammates, a member of the Ball State football leadership council his senior year and an Academic All-MAC student-athlete. Additionally, he was a national semifinalist for the Campbell Trophy, which recognizes the college football player with the best combination of academics, community service and on-field performance. Joss was selected as the winner of the 2017 Gene Booker Academic Award and the 2018 Willie Snead True Cardinal Award (given to the athlete who showed the most passion and was highly committed to life after football).

While still enrolled at Ball State, he worked summer internships with PepsiCo as a reset specialist, MutualBank as a finance and accounting intern, and Edward Jones as a financial advisor intern. Upon graduating from Ball State, he worked a full-time job as an audit intern with Dauby O'Connor & Zaleski LLC, a CPA firm in Carmel, Indiana.

During his free time, Alex enjoys traveling, spending time with family and friends, going to sporting events and working out.



Shae Labbe

Communications — Digital

Education: Colgate University (B.A.)

Shae Labbe was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, is a twin and has four siblings. Before moving to Indianapolis, Labbe was a student-athlete on the nationally ranked women's ice hockey at Colgate University and was an NCAA Division I national runner-up in 2018.

At Colgate, Labbe majored in Writing, Geology & Visual Rhetoric and was the multimedia student intern for Colgate athletics, where she created graphics and video content to increase the exposure of the university's athletic teams. She is excited to continue to build upon her knowledge and skill in this field and give back to an organization that gave her a new pathway to opportunity.



Markel Leonard

Championships — Men's Basketball

Education: Lewis & Clark College (B.A.); Arizona State University (MSLB)

Markel Leonard is from Richmond, California. Leonard received his bachelor's degree in rhetoric and media studies from Lewis & Clark in Portland, Oregon. He received his master's in sports law and business from Arizona State in May.

Leonard played men's basketball at the Division I level at Cal Poly. In 2013-14, the team won the Big West Conference championship and earned an NCAA tournament appearance. Leonard also played at the Division III level at Lewis & Clark from 2015 to 2017.

Leonard wants to show kids from the inner city that they can be more than what they see on a day-to-day basis. He wants to be an example for them to dare to be different and to empower/inspire them to think outside the box. He aspires to start a positive change and start a legacy in

his family and in the inner city of Richmond, California.



Jordan Lysiak

Academic and Membership Affairs

Education: Florida State University (B.A.), Marquette University (J.D.)

Jordan Lysiak is a native of Bonita Springs, Florida. He earned his bachelor's degree at Florida State University, with a major in political science and a minor in sociology of law. While at Florida State, he participated in the global sport management study abroad program in London, England, and also served as a legislative intern for the speaker pro tempore of the Florida House of Representatives.

Upon graduation, Lysiak began law school at Marquette University, where he earned his J.D. and his sports law certificate from the National Sports Law Institute. During his time at Marquette, he was the vice chair of the Marquette Intramural Sports Law Negotiation Competition and the articles and survey editor of the Marquette Sports Law Review.

Additionally, he was an extern at the NCAA with the Office of the Committees on Infractions, a compliance intern with the athletic

department at Rutgers University, a compliance intern with the athletic department at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a research assistant for the National Sports Law Institute.

In his free time, he enjoys attending sporting events and exploring new restaurants.



Kelsi Mahoney

Championships — Women's Basketball

Education: George Washington University (B.A.)

Kelsi Mahoney graduated from George Washington in May with a dual bachelor's degree in marketing and sport management and a minor in political science. She was a two-year starter and team captain for the women's basketball team at George Washington, where she helped the program earn two Atlantic 10 Conference titles and NCAA tournament appearances.

In 2018, Mahoney served as a ballpark operations security intern for the Washington Nationals in Washington, D.C. She also was able to collaborate with MLB representatives for the 2018 All-Star Week to create an effective strategy for securing hundreds of VIP guests in and out of Nationals Park safely and efficiently.

Originally from Concord, North Carolina, Mahoney enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing and watching basketball, reading, running, and watching true crime documentaries and Marvel movies.



Candace Martin

Championships — Operations

Education: Alabama State University (B.A.)

Candace Martin was born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee, and is the youngest and only girl of four children.

Martin attended Alabama State, where she received a scholarship to play volleyball. Out of her five years of playing, she helped her team to four Southwestern Athletic Conference championship titles. During her time at Alabama State, she was afforded a lot of great opportunities. She served as the SWAC and Alabama State Student-Athlete Advisory Committee president, attended the United State Olympic Committee's FLAME Program and Minor League Baseball's FIELD Program, and worked the 53rd NFL Super Bowl Experience. Martin aspires to work in events or championships in professional or collegiate sports, while also possessing a strong interest in coaching collegiate volleyball.

Martin enjoys being around people, traveling, dancing and listening to '90s R&B and rap music. Her friends would describe her as funny, caring and ambitious.



Aerika Miles

Accelerating Academic Success Program

Education: Florida A&M University (B.A.); University of Washington (M.S.)

Aerika Miles hails from Atlanta. She was a former student-athlete at Tallahassee Community College, where she played softball. After finishing her associate degree, she transferred to Florida A&M and earned a bachelor's in broadcast journalism in August 2015. At Florida A&M, she interned for the sports information department while engaging in multiple school news outlets, including Franchise Sports, The Famuan and FAMU-TV News 20.

After graduating from Florida A&M, she worked at WTXL-TV, an ABC affiliate, in Midway, Florida, as the sunrise video editor and photojournalist. In Tallahassee, she has interviewed well-known figures like Ben Carson; Chelsea Clinton; former Tallahassee, Florida, Mayor Andrew Gillum; and Tracy Martin, the father of Trayvon Martin.

After a year of working in news, Miles decided to change careers and pursue sports administration. She earned her master's in intercollegiate athletic leadership at Washington in 2018. As a graduate student, she interned with the Husky softball team as an operations assistant. She was also a volunteer for fundraising and coached youth sports at Run To Win, a nonprofit organization.

During her spare time, she likes to travel, try new food, shop and spend time with her friends and family.



Jenna Niehl

Eligibility Center

Education: University of Texas at Austin (B.A), University of Wyoming (J.D.)

Jenna Niehl is an alumna of the University of Texas, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in both theatre & dance and rhetoric & writing. She served as vice president and business manager of the theatre honor society, Alpha Psi Omega. Prior to graduation, Niehl spent a summer in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, working in the United States Embassy.

Niehl earned a Juris Doctorate from the University of Wyoming. She entered the college athletics realm as a legal intern at the University of Wyoming Athletics Compliance office. While in law school, Niehl worked with Wyoming Athletics Compliance for two years. She assumed responsibilities that included transcript evaluation for student-athlete initial eligibility, writing waivers and interpreting NCAA bylaws for coaches.

Niehl enjoys listening to music, reading fiction novels, baking homemade desserts, going to baseball games, traveling and spending time with friends and family.



Hannah Orbach-Mandel

Administrative Services — Rotational

Education: Kenyon College (B.A.)

Hannah Orbach-Mandel graduated from Kenyon College in 2019 with a bachelor's degree in economics and a minor in mathematics. At Kenyon, she was a member of the women's swimming and diving team, where she was a 25-time all-American, including a 2018 Division III national champion in the 400 medley relay, 2019 Division III national champion in the 800-freestyle relay and 2019 Division III national champion in the 400-freestyle relay. While at Kenyon, she also served as a representative for the swim team for four years on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and volunteered weekly in a local elementary school.

Orbach-Mandel is originally from Tucson, Arizona. She is a University of Michigan sports fan and enjoys cheering on the Wolverines, reading, exploring ice cream shops, and going to dog parks with her boxer dog,

Napoleon, in her free time.



Nicole Repetto

Enforcement

Education: Eastern Michigan (B.A.), Ohio State University (J.D.)

Nicole Repetto earned her J.D. from Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law in 2019. She accumulated over 450 hours of volunteer legal service and earned the distinction of public service fellow with the dean's highest honors. While at Ohio State, Repetto served as president of the Sports and Entertainment Law Association and as treasurer of the First Generation Law Students Association. She also served as an intern in Ohio State's office of athletics compliance for two years.

Repetto graduated from Eastern Michigan in 2016 with a bachelor's degree in sport management and minors in marketing and music. She was a four-year member of the marching band and served as the drumline section leader in her final year. She also worked at Eastern Michigan in the athletics compliance office as an intern and worked with the football team as a manager of football operations.

In her free time, Nicole likes to run, play soccer, practice yoga, read and play with her pitbull, Mia. She is also a huge Philadelphia Eagles fan.



Adam Replogle

Academic and Membership Affairs

Education: Indiana University (B.S.), Indiana University (M.B.A.)

Adam Replogle was born in Dayton, Ohio. He attended Indiana University, where he received his undergraduate degree in criminal justice. While attending Indiana University, he played offensive line on the football team. During his time on Indiana's football team, he was a two-time team captain, as well as a first team Academic All-American.

After graduation, Replogle played three years in the National Football League for the Atlanta Falcons. Once his professional playing career was over, he went back to Indiana University and received his MBA from the Kelley School of Business. Prior to accepting a role in the 2019-20 PGIP cohort, Replogle served as a seasonal intern for Division I governance at the NCAA.



Ian Rewoldt

Championships — Ops

Education: Colorado College (B.A.); Arizona State University (MBA)

Ian Rewoldt recently graduated with a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in business analytics and sports business from the W. P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State. He previously worked in Olympic sports for the United States Olympic Committee on the Rio 2016 Olympic Games and for USA Wrestling. Rewoldt was a four-year member of the Colorado College men's basketball team and a two-time all-conference performer. He also has experience as a Rhodes College men's basketball assistant coach and as a quantitative researcher at the Global Sport Institute at Arizona State.



Fran Rodriguez

Academic and Membership Affairs

Education: Texas A&M University (M.S.), Bowling Green State University (B.A.)

Fran Rodriguez is a native of Flower Mound, Texas. She attended Bowling Green State University in Ohio for her bachelor's degree in sport management. While at Bowling Green, she was on the golf team for four years. During her tenure there, she was heavily involved with her sport management program and received the Mid-American Conference Sportswoman of the Year award her senior year.

After obtaining her undergraduate degree, Rodriguez continued her education at Texas A&M University for her master's degree in sport management. At Texas A&M, she received a 4.0 GPA and worked in the athletics compliance office throughout her studies.

In her free time, Fran loves to spend time with family and friends, golf, attend sporting events, read and listen to her favorite musician, Taylor Swift.



Brian Seda

Eligibility Center

Education: Iowa State University (B.S.), Central Michigan University (M.A.)

Brian Seda graduated from Iowa State University in 2016 with a double major in business marketing and management. He also minored in sports and recreation. Seda walked on to the Iowa State football team. In his senior year, he started 10 games for the Cyclones at left guard. During his time at Iowa State, he was an academic first team all-Big 12 selection. During his senior year, he won the Outstanding Offensive Walk-on Player Award. Seda also participated in numerous service events while at Iowa State including hospital visits, Shop with a Cop, Adopt-A-Family, Special Olympics, Victory Day and Relay for Life.

Seda then attended Central Michigan University and graduated in May 2019 with a master's in sports administration. While at Central Michigan, he worked with the Chippewa football team as an operations assistant for two years and assisted with operations for the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

in 2017.

An Iowa native, Seda likes to spend his time playing sports, playing cards and watching sports and movies. He also enjoys cheering on the Cyclones, St. Louis Cardinals and Green Bay Packers.



Carrie Shearer

Leadership Development

Education: Duquesne University (B.S.)

Carrie Shearer, a native of State College, Pennsylvania, spent her childhood as a classically trained dancer with a passion for collegiate athletics. While attending school at Duquesne, she took those passions and turned them into experience. Spending most of her college career interning for the Duquesne women's rowing team and the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, she also spent time serving as a commissioned photographer for other sports teams and organizations on campus.

In addition to serving as a founding member of the Duquesne Honors College Student Advisory Council, she served on the executive board for three additional organizations on campus from sophomore year until graduation. Shearer graduated in May 2019 with a degree in sports marketing, as well as a minor in sports information and media.

In her free time, Carrie enjoys cooking, sports and ballet photography, watching football and drinking lots of coffee.



Kiana Verdugo

Governance — Division III

Education: Hamline University (B.A.)

Kiana Verdugo earned her undergraduate degree in secondary education and English from Hamline in St. Paul, Minnesota. Before joining the NCAA, Verdugo completed an internship with the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference office.

During her time at Hamline, Verdugo competed in track and field, specializing in the weight and hammer throw. Verdugo took home an individual conference championship in the weight throw in March 2018 and finished second in the hammer in May 2018. She earned academic all-conference accolades twice before being named an Academic All-America honoree by the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association as a senior.

While at Hamline, Verdugo served as first-year student mentor and president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. She also founded a student development and wellness group called Piper's CARE. Verdugo was a member of the national Division III SAAC, where she served on the championships and strategic communication committees and represented student-athletes of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.

A native of Tucson, Arizona, Verdugo enjoys spending time with her friends and family, hiking and watching movies.



Khalil Wilkes

Academic and Membership Affairs

Education: Stanford University (B.A.), Villanova University (J.D.)

Born and raised in Teaneck, New Jersey, Khalil Wilkes attended high school at St. Peter's Prep in Jersey City, New Jersey, where he was a football and basketball student-athlete. After high school, Wilkes attended Stanford University on a football scholarship. During his time at Stanford, he won a Rose Bowl and was initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

After graduating from Stanford, Wilkes played in the NFL briefly for the San Diego Chargers. After his football career was over, he took two years off to decide upon his next steps. Wilkes decided to attend Villanova Law School, from which he graduated in May. He worked in development at Temple and in compliance for Villanova.