

## Non-voting Student Representative on Select Advisory Committees

### Background

Section 61.071 of the Education Code requires the THECB to appoint non-voting student representatives to Coordinating Board advisory committees for a term **not to be less than two years**. The student representative shall enjoy the same rights as other members of advisory committees, except the right to vote or be counted towards a quorum for official committee business. The student representative serves without compensation. However, the Coordinating Board strongly encourages the institutions to help defray the cost of travel incurred while a student serves.

### Qualifications

For initial consideration, nominees to all advisory committees below must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Be enrolled at a public institution of higher education;
- Be in good academic standing as determined by the institution;
- Commit to fulfill all advisory committee related responsibilities during their term of service, to include attendance at all advisory committee meetings; and
- Have a strong drive and self-motivation to contribute to the progress of higher education in Texas.

If appointed, the student representative must continue to meet the following criteria for the length of their term:

- Maintain a GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale;
- Maintain enrollment at a public institution of higher education for duration of term; and
- Maintain a state-wide perspective on higher education (as opposed to representing any single college or university).

### Key Deadlines/Submission:

- September 1, deadline for president of each institution to develop a nomination process and begin solicitation of nomination applications.
- December 1, deadline for president of each institution to submit two nominees to the Coordinating Board for consideration. Submissions must be postmarked by this date and include the following documents:
  1. [THECB Application](#)
  2. Resume
  3. Unofficial Transcript
- February 1, deadline for Coordinating Board to appoint student representatives to advisory committees for two-year terms beginning June 1 and ending May 31.

The president at each institution may develop his or her own nomination process for considering recommendations from their institutions to the Coordinating Board for advisory committee positions, including any additional requirements above and beyond those mandated by the formal application.

Nomination packets for each nominee should be **emailed to [Laurie.Frederick@thechb.state.tx.us](mailto:Laurie.Frederick@thechb.state.tx.us)**, Program Specialist, Office of Agency Operations and Communications, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, 512.427.6446.

### **Current Advisory Committee Student Representatives:**

Advisory Committee	Student Representative	Institution	Term
ApplyTexas	Sarah Haque	The University of Texas at Austin	June 1, 2018- May 31, 2020
Financial Aid	Johnathan Cereceres Marilyn Abedrabbo	The University of Texas at El Paso Collin College	June 1, 2018- May 31, 2020
Graduate Education	Saralyn McKinnon-Crowley	The University of Texas at Austin	June 1, 2018- May 31, 2020
Learning Technology	Jose Aguilar, Jr.	The University of Texas at Austin	June 1, 2018- May 31, 2020
Undergraduate Education	Hope Cory	San Jacinto College	June 1, 2018 – May 31, 2020