AAPS Student Program Support Committee (SPSC)
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Mission: The Student Program Support Committee (SPSC) provides support and guidance to AAPS student members, postdoc members, and student chapters. The committee also assists in communicating the value and benefits of AAPS and the field of pharmaceutical sciences through outreach to students. The committee seeks to engage AAPS student and postdoc members who are working toward careers in the pharmaceutical sciences, with emphasis on encouraging student/postdoctoral members to convert to full regular members of AAPS.

Expectations
- Recruit pharmaceutical scientists to speak at student chapters
- Take part in local AAPS Student Chapter related activities
- Recruit pharmaceutical scientists to mentor students/postdocs who contact AAPS with questions
- Provide at least two web-based resume review workshops each year (one in the fall and one in the spring)
- Recruit pharmaceutical scientists from a variety of backgrounds and match them as mentors with students through a year-round mentoring program
- Coach student chapters, especially those at risk of becoming inactive (at a minimum, call the faculty advisor of each student chapter at least 1x during the year)
- Support development of the AAPS Abstract Bootcamp Program
- Encourage participation in and provide on-site assistance to staff during the annual mentor breakfast at PharmSci 360
- Assist with the development of the resume review program at PharmSci 360
- Participate in the student-focused and student chapter online communities, including developing and posting seed questions, and sourcing responses for questions posted
- Analyze student support in AAPS and recommend ways that AAPS may improve offerings (for example: proposing professional development sessions)

Resources Needed:
- Collateral materials to support student outreach
- Process for tracking AAPS Visiting Scientist Program activity and mentoring program
- Staff administrative and managerial support

Job Description for Committee Members
SPSC consists of 10 members, with a minimum of 4 representing academia and 4 representing industry at any time.

Requirements
- Membership in AAPS and throughout term of service.
- Two-year term of service with one renewal at chair’s discretion.
- Approximately 2 hours a month of participation, including one hour-long committee meeting.
- Commitment to AAPS’ mission and its strategic plan.
- Knowledge of AAPS programs, products, and services.
- Understanding of the needs and interests of students, postdoctoral fellows, and emerging professionals.
- Ability to contribute to committee planning and implementation; ability to complete assigned tasks.
- Ability to participate in AAPS’ web-based Communities and software.
- Ability to visit student chapters to promote AAPS and careers in the pharmaceutical sciences.