Council of Sections
New Officers Orientation

2024
The Council of Sections (COS) consists of
- Officers of the Council Governing Board
- Representatives from each ASA Section

The Officers of the Council of Sections Governing Board are
- Chair, Chair-Elect, Past Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
- Three Representatives to the ASA Board of Directors
- Three Vice Chairs as liaisons to the Sections and Interest Groups

The Council of Sections Governing Board manages the affairs of the Council.
Council of Sections Mission Statement

The mission of the ASA Council of Sections is to provide and encourage timely communication

- between the Board of Directors, Sections, and Interest Groups,

- among Sections and Interest Groups,

- and with the general ASA membership.
This communication will focus on

- advocacy of mutual Section and Interest Group interests,
- broadening of services provided to Section and Interest Group members,
- continuing integrity of each Section and Interest Group, and
- provision of support for new Sections and Interest Groups.
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ASA Interest Groups

Astrostatistics

Business Analytics/Statistics Education

Statistics and Pharmacometrics

Transportation Statistics

Uncertainty Quantification in Complex Systems

History of Statistics

Statistical Auditing

Quantum Computing in Statistics and Machine Learning

Record Linkage

Forensic Statistics

Privacy and Confidentiality
## Comparison of Groups

### Sections
- Invited Session Allocation
- Can compete for additional Invited Sessions
- Topic Contributed Sessions (number varies by section)
- Meeting space at JSM
- ASA supported web presence
- Submit articles to *Amstat News*
- Collects dues
- Members have to belong to ASA in order to join a section
- ASA maintains rosters of section members
- Chartered by a vote of the Council of Sections

### Interest Group
- Can Compete for Invited Sessions
- Can request a Topic Contributed Session
- Meeting space at JSM
- ASA supported web presence
- Submit articles to *Amstat News*
- Interest Groups do not collect dues
- Membership open to non-ASA members (Chair must be ASA member)
- Interest groups responsible for maintaining their own rosters
- Chartered by a vote of the Council of Sections Governing Board
Council of Sections Governing Board

COS Executive Committee
Chair: Thomas Love
Past Chair: 
Chair-Elect: Annie Qu
Secretary: Luke Keele
Treasurer: Amanda Hering

COS Board Reps
Jana Asher (2023-25)
Michelle Shardell (2022-24)
Jennifer (2024-26)

ASA Liaison
Rick Peterson

Vice Chair
Miguel Marino (2024-26)

Vice Chair
Beth Andrews (2022-24)

Vice Chair
Tony An (2023-25)

Biometrics
Biopharmaceutical
Statistics in Epidemiology
Teaching Statistics in the Health Sciences
Health Policy Statistics
Statistics and the Environment
Nonparametric Statistics
Statistical Programmers and Analysts
Statistics in Imaging
Mental Health Statistics
Medical Devices and Diagnostics
Genomics and Genetics
Pharmacometrics (IG)

Quality & Productivity
Physical & Engineering Sciences
Risk Analysis
Statistical & Data Science Education
Statistical Consulting
Bayesian Statistical Science
Business & Economic Statistics
Statistics in Marketing
Business Analytics/Statistics
Education (IG)
Uncertainty Quantification in Complex Systems (IG)

Government Statistics
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Council of Sections Governing Board
2024 Executive Officers

Thomas Love, Chair
Annie Qu, Chair-Elect
Luke Keele, Secretary
Amanda Hering, Treasurer
Council of Sections
Board of Directors Representatives

Jennifer Parker (2021-23)
Michelle Shardell (2022-24)
Jana Asher (2023-2025)

These members of the ASA Board of Directors represent the interests of the Council, and thus, of all Sections and Interest Groups.
Council of Sections Vice-Chairs
(Liaisons with the Council)

Miguel Marino (2024-26)

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Tony An (2023-25)

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Section Officers Handbook

This Handbook outlines the structure, duties, and responsibilities for Sections and their officers.
Officer Duties

Many officer duties are common across Sections but some are Section-specific.

Become acquainted with the officer structure, and any special duties, in your Section.

Communication among current and incoming officers is key to success. Work with your current officers to learn your responsibilities and involve new officers as soon as possible.
Section Chair Responsibilities

- Serve as chief executive officer of the Section.
- Appoint Executive Committee and other committee members and positions.
- Plan for and preside at all Executive Committee meetings and the Section business meeting at JSM.
- Coordinate the work of the Executive Committee and other Section committees.
- Ensure a smooth transition to new officers.
Officer Duties (continued)

Section Chair-Elect Responsibilities

- Serve as member of the Section’s Executive Committee.
- Attend Section Executive Committee meetings.
- Attend the Section’s annual business meeting at JSM.
- Make appointments not assigned to the Chair.
- Assume the responsibilities of the Chair when necessary.
Officer Duties (continued)

**Section Secretary Responsibilities**

- Record minutes of the Section meetings.
- Report on the minutes of previous meetings.
- Distribute minutes of the Executive Committee meetings to members of the Executive Committee.
- Maintain the file of Section documents.
Section Treasurer Responsibilities

- Monitor dues collections and expenditures.
- Submit a budget by October 31 of each year.
  - Sections with more than twice their annual budget in reserves should strongly consider additional services to Section members.
  - Sections on a path to exhaust their reserves in a few years should find ways to increase revenue or reduce expenditures.
Officer Duties (continued)

Section Representative to COS Responsibilities

• Serve as a member of the Section’s Executive Committee
• Attend the COS annual business meeting and response meeting at JSM.
• Represent the Section and transmit messages from the Section to the COS.
• Vote on new Section applications.
• Present a summary of COS activities and highlight any that require action.
Program Chair Responsibilities

- Serve as member of the Section’s Executive Committee
- Organize contributed papers into sessions.
- Attend Program Committee meeting.
- Publicize the Section’s sessions.
- Review rooms and audiovisual needs in advance and visit each session to confirm presence of session chair and offer any needed assistance.
- Present report at the Section business meeting.
Officer Duties (continued)

Program Chair-Elect Responsibilities

• Serve as member of the Section’s Executive Committee
• Solicit, organize, and publicize roundtable sessions.
• Solicit and organize invited sessions for the next year’s JSM.
• Attend Program Committee meeting at JSM.
• Solicit ideas for Topic Contributed sessions.
Resources for Sections

- ASA Membership Initiatives
- Budget Information & Guidance
- Financial Tools
- ASA Communities
- COS meetings at JSM
ASA Membership Initiatives

- Consider proposing a project for the Membership Initiative for your Section or Interest Group.

- ASA allocates up to $100,000 annually.

- A wide variety of projects are funded.

- For more information, visit the application form.
Section budgets are managed by the ASA office.

E-mail timely payment requests to Rick Peterson at the ASA office for payments to be processed for section expenses.

Use the ASA Travel Reimbursement Form for travel-related expenses.

Be sure to include receipts.
ASA Communities

- This is a networking tool provided by ASA

- Some ways you can use ASA Communities
  - Post messages to the Section
  - Store Section documents
  - Start a Section blog
Council of Sections Meetings at JSM*

Sunday COS meeting, 1-4 pm
- Discuss common issues.
- Agenda and materials for Sunday meeting sent to COS reps by Chair in early July.

Monday COS workshop, TBD
- Different topics of interest for section members yearly.
- For all sections’ executive committee members.

Thursday COS meeting, 8-10:30 am
- For feedback from Section discussions during week.
- May send a substitute if your COS rep can’t attend.

* Interest Group Chairs are invited to COS Meetings as non-voting attendees.
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