

URMIA Election Candidate 2025

Individual Profile			
Name:	Olivia Watson	Position:	Board of Director – Institution
Title:	Risk Manager	Organization:	Colorado School of Mines
Designations:	ARM, MPA	Years in Higher Ed RM:	4 years
Gender:	Female	Race:	White/Caucasian/Euro-American (non-Hispanic)
Organization Profile			
Membership category:	Institutional Tier 4	Student FTE of institution:	8058
Type of institution	Public, Four-Year Institution, Research Institution	Two-year institution:	No



What leadership skills and talents make you a good candidate?

I believe my leadership skills in communication, collaboration, organization, and adaptability make me a strong candidate. I thrive in team environments and enjoy bringing people together to grow ideas and turn them into actionable plans. I value diverse perspectives and actively seek them out, as I believe they are essential for building a connected and inclusive community that is geared towards growth.

One of my key strengths is my ability to take an idea and carry it through to execution. This talent for strategic planning allows me to contribute meaningfully to initiatives and support the board's vision with creativity and determination.

What would you bring to the board (e.g., thought leadership, talent, skillset, ability, etc.)?

I would bring genuine enthusiasm and a strong sense of commitment to the board. Being a part of URMIA over the past four years has been one of the highlights of my professional career. I've deeply valued the relationships I've built and the knowledge I've gained, especially through initiatives like helping to launch the YoPro community, which was designed to help members find meaningful connections within this large and diverse organization.

I'm passionate about working collaboratively to ensure we're fulfilling our responsibility to members by helping them not only access the resources they need, but also feel like they are part of something greater. To me, it's not just a professional network but a risk management family, and I'm dedicated to helping that community continue to grow and thrive.