

Student Affiliates in School Psychology (SASP)



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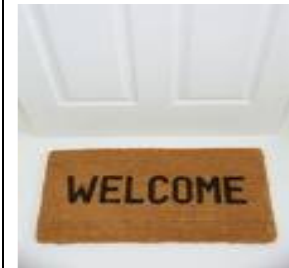
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A Note of Welcome from SASP

Hello new SASP members! First of all, CONGRATULATIONS on being accepted into this wonderful program! We all know that getting to where you are today was not an easy process and that you all should be commended for all of the hard work that you have done up to this point. Way to go!

Second, WELCOME to KSU! We are all so excited to see some new faces enter our program! I hope that

all of you find an outlet for whatever interests and/or passions you have so far, and hopefully you will find the opportunity to create new ones during your time here. This is an intense year that will go by very quickly for all of you (at least it did for us!) and we want you to know that if you ever have any questions, comments, or concerns, all of us are here to help. We've been collecting pearls of wisdom all along the way from the



cohorts ahead of us that we are just dying to share with all of you... beginning with this one: Don't worry, it's do-able.

With that said, we all wish you the very best of luck in the upcoming school year!

SASP Overview

Student Affiliates in School Psychology (SASP) is a student organization that is a local chapter of a national parent organization under the American Psychological Association (APA), Division 16, however SASP at KSU recognizes allegiance with the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) as well.

SASP's purpose is to foster professional growth and leadership in the students at KSU

by providing opportunities to mentor fellow students and voice issues and concerns that affect the program's student body in an organized manner. SASP also provides a means to maintain a connection with the rest of the university and to develop and maintain



networking contacts in the field of school psychology.

Every student in the school psychology graduate program is automatically a member of SASP and there are no dues or registration fees to maintain this membership.

Each student's level of involvement in SASP is at their own discretion; however SASP strongly encourages student involvement in various activities throughout the year.



Kent State University
Plaza Fountain

"A goal without a plan is just a dream."



January	February	March
April	May	June
July	August	September
October	November	December

TIP: Purchase, maintain, and frequently reference a planner!

2009-2010 SASP Goals

Increase the active involvement of SASP members including first and second year members as well as interns.

- Provide opportunities to participate in a variety of SASP activities
- Encourage meeting attendance
- Solicit input and feedback regarding SASP activities from faculty and members

Participate in enriching volunteer experiences created to promote collaboration within the community.

- Enhance collaboration skills by utilizing them in various capacities.
- Use newly acquired knowledge-base and concepts to benefit areas of community need

Provide continuing support to fellow students

- Embrace and utilize the mentorship program
- Participate in regular interactions with mentees/mentors
- Provide a social support system for students to utilize when needed
- Continue to foster cohort unity

Schedule of Meetings/Events

EVERY SASP member is invited, in fact encouraged, to attend EVERY SASP meeting. This goes double for SASP social events!

Tentative SASP Meeting Schedule for Fall 2009

- Thursday, September 3rd
- Thursday, October 1st*
- Thursday, November 5th*
- Thursday, December 3rd*

* Held at 7:15 PM in the 2nd floor lounge of Moulton Hall (across from the FPDC).

Social Events for Summer and Fall 2009

- Pizza Party: June 18th, 11:30-12:30, Read Room White Hall
- Summer Gathering, June 25th, 4:00
- Fall Gathering, TBA
- Winter Social, TBA

Executive Committee Position Descriptions and Contact Info.

Chair: Kristen Engler kengler@kent.edu

- Assume responsibility for preparing SASP meeting agendas,
- Facilitate meetings and events,
- Facilitate the development of annual goals for the organization
- Serve as the general spokesperson for SASP as necessary,
- Register SASP with the [Office of Campus Life](#) as a recognized student organization
- Review the GSS Charter and ensure compliance to retain funding eligibility,
- Facilitate the planning and implementation of all elections and voting procedures,
- Ensure the integrity of all SASP elections and voting procedures
- Assume primary responsibility for maintaining and updating the SASP webpage

Vice Chair: Amanda Williams awill107@kent.edu

- Advocate for the membership as its representative by serving as the student liaison at school psychology faculty/program meetings as his/her schedule allows,
- Plan and coordinate the SASP Speaker Series, in conjunction with faculty input,
- Act as incoming chair-elect, and assume the position of chair for the following year.

Secretary: Annie Rogers aroger14@kent.edu

- Prepare, distribute, and revise meeting minutes,
- Send/transmit any official SASP products to the general membership.
- Monitor the SASP e-mail account (SASP@kent.edu) Assist the chair in facilitating, implementing, and tabulating election and/or voting results,
- Regularly check the SASP mailbox (in 405 White Hall)
- Assist the chair with the maintenance of the SASP website.

Treasurer: Brandon Boesiger bboesige@kent.edu

- Develop and maintain an annual budget of the organization,
- Maintain accurate financial records of all SASP revenue and expenditures,
- Review monthly financial statements from the financial institution with which SASP does business to ensure the accuracy of those reports,
- Balance the financial records each month to ensure the SASP account remains in good standing,
- Assume responsibility for making timely payments and reimbursements for all SASP business, including check-writing responsibility, in conjunction with the chair,
- Transfer ownership of the SASP checking account, in conjunction with the chair, to the office holder and chair's names (once elected)
- Assist with fundraising efforts.

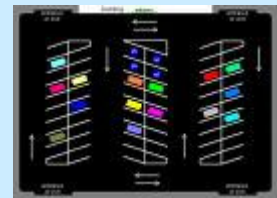
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This information is available at:
<http://www.ehhs.kent.edu/EFSS/programs/SP/sasp/index.htm>

"When I began grad school, I wish I knew that A's aren't really all that important; it is more important to master the assignment than worry about grades. Grades don't matter in Grad School!"
-Tamara Leonard



Tip: If you check the parking services website on Wednesdays, you may be able to trade your parking pass in for a better one!



GSS Representative SASP: Chelsae Armao carmao@kent.edu

- Advocate for the needs of SASP to the GSS,
- Report to SASP any information that is pertinent regarding GSS bylaws
- [Review the GSS Charter and By-Laws](#)
- Inform and notify members about GSS sponsored activities,
- Process GSS funding requests, as prescribed by the GSS Charter and By-Laws, for the SASP speaker series, in conjunction with the vice chair, and
- Process GSS funding requests, as prescribed by the GSS Charter and By-Laws, for SASP social events, in conjunction with the social & mentorship coordinator.

GSS Representative SPSY: Allison Keller akelle12@kent.edu

- Advocate for the needs of SPSY students to the GSS,
- Report to SASP/SPSY students any information that is pertinent regarding GSS bylaws, SASP duties to the University, etc.,
- [Review the GSS Charter and By-Laws](#)
- Inform and notify students/members about GSS sponsored activities,
- Inform and notify students/members of GSS travel reimbursement procedures and deadlines for professional conference attendance
- Be available to SPSY students to assist students with processing the necessary paperwork for GSS funding for professional travel
- Process GSS funding requests, as prescribed by the GSS Charter and By-Laws, for capital improvements for the SPSY program (if applicable).

Local, State, and National Liaison: Josh Kiser jkiser4@kent.edu

- Kent/Akron Association of School Psychologists (KAASP),
- Cleveland Association of School Psychologists (CASP),
- Ohio School Psychologists Association (OSPA),
- Student Affiliates in School Psychology (national chapter),
- National Association of School Psychologists (NASP),
- American Psychological Association, Division 16 (APA-Div. 16).

Social & Mentorship Chair: Tricia Donovan pdonova2@kent.edu

- Recruit potential mentors for incoming students,
- Facilitate the matching of new students to mentors at the new student's request,
- Coordinate the planning of SASP social events, including food, activities, etc.,
- Work with the GSS representative-SASP to secure funding for SASP social events,
- Maintain SASP social event traditions

Internship Representative: Emilee Harris eharris5@kent.edu

- Solicit feedback from and encourage involvement of other student interns in SASP meetings and events
- Be visible and available to students completing internship for questions and concerns

Doctoral Representative: Kate Bobak kbobak@kent.edu

- Solicit feedback from and encourage involvement of other doctoral students in SASP meetings and events,
- Be visible and available to students in the doctoral program for questions and concerns.

First Year Cohort Representative(s):

- Solicit feedback from and encourage involvement of other first-year cohort members in SASP meetings and events,
- Be visible and available to students in the first-year cohort for questions and concerns, and
- Assume primary responsibility, in conjunction with the treasurer, for coordinating SASP fundraising events.

Tip: Two heads are better than one...learn to collaborate!



"This work can be a beast; it will eat just as much as you feed it. Don't forget to make time for yourself!"
-Dr. Telzrow



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Who do you know...?

Ice breaker

Find someone in the room who:



White Hall
Kent State University

Attended Kent for undergraduate school _____

Is in your cohort _____

Is in a different cohort _____

Has a degree in Education _____

Has a degree in Psychology _____

Is your mentor/mentee _____

Is a Professor _____

Moved here from out of state _____

Commutes to class _____

Lives near you _____