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Ashley Gear for SCASLA President 2022-2023

Hello! My name is Ashley Gear (she/her) and I'm running for SCASLA President in the upcoming 2022-2023 academic year. I am currently a junior majoring in Landscape Architecture and I am so grateful to be a part of such a rewarding and special program. Forming friendships with my peers as well as learning from staff and faculty have prepared and inspired me to pursue a successful and fun future. I believe that I have what it takes to serve as a voice for the LDA class of 2023 as well as advocate for this cohort's wants and needs.

I have been involved in a wide range of organizations in my time attending UC Davis, including the Arboretum Waterway Stewards, Sheepmowers, Aggie Mentors, and Aggie Reuse Store. I believe that my involvement as an Aggie, prior work experience, and hands-on field knowledge have equipped me with strong leadership skills. These include listening to and acknowledging the requests of my peers, motivating those around me, building an interconnected community, and making sure that the goals I have made are continually being met.

During my time as Lead Research Assistant and Shepherd with UC Davis Sheepmowers, I built strong connections between the program and Davis students through public grazing events. In addition, I demonstrated a strong aptitude for delegating tasks to my fellow team members and building a strong community among the group. These skills would be invaluable for building a strong leadership structure for SCASLA. I believe that I have also exercised these skills in my experience working as a Waterway Steward and incoming Waterway Landscape Assistant and Co-Coordinator for the UC Davis Arboretum. These positions have allowed me to learn firsthand the importance of building an exciting and engaging community as a way to increase productivity and enjoyment among my teammates. I believe that I could utilize my experience from working on the Waterway and Sheepmowers to ultimately bring the same sense of community cultivated on both teams to SCASLA.

If I am voted in as your SCASLA President, my goals for this school year include: creating a more engaging, interactive, and involved atmosphere to SCASLA by cultivating a tight-knit community within the Landscape Architecture cohort, planning a variety of fun socials and events among members (hanging out outside of studio? ummm yes!), scheduling student workshops and inviting guest speakers for presentations and networking, and serving our wonderful campus through volunteer events and community outreach.

I am so excited to experience this upcoming year with you all. Let's make this the best one yet!

