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Q1 The office I would like to be considered for: **WACAC Assembly Delegate**

Q2 My Demographic Information

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Years a WACAC Member	3
Years a NACAC Member	3

Q3 My WACAC Experience

Committee, Time of Service, Type of Service:	Share, Learn & Connect Conference, Planning Committee, Fall 2016 - Present, Volunteer Coordinator
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Q4 My Related Experience

Organization, Time of Service, Type of Service	Peninsula Bridge, College Access Counselor, March 2018 - Present
Organization, Time of Service, Type of Service	Breakthrough Silicon Valley, Manager of College Counseling, August 2015 - May 2018
Organization, Time of Service, Type of Service	Summer Search, Program Associate, February 2011 - August 2015

Q5 My qualifications for this office:

I have been working with low-income, first-generation college-bound students for the past 7 years within community-based organizations. Working with these students is my life calling, and I am committed to being the best college access counselor I can be to serve them well. My commitment to these students, stems from my own experience navigating the path towards higher education. I come from a low-income family who value education, but my parents just didn't know how to help me get into college. They immigrated to the US with a limited education, and were unfamiliar with the American school system. I was an introverted high school student, so when I finally mustered up the courage to talk to my public school counselor, spring semester of my senior year, I learned for the first time that I could transfer from a 2-year college to a 4-year college. Receiving this piece of information from my counselor was life-changing, as I realized that college was still possible for me. I received a 3.6 GPA for the first time that semester in high school, and continued to put in my full effort in college. I wasn't a college student who strived for straight A's, because I didn't believe I was capable of straight A's. I just put my best effort in every assignment and test in college, and it paid off. I graduated college with straight A's and two B's, which is a long way from the 2.5 GPA I graduated with in high school, and that's all due to the information my high school counselor was able to provide. First-generation college-bound students question whether they can make college happen, no matter how hard they worked in high school, as no one in their family has been successful in their attempts. I strongly believe that the information and high-quality guidance needed to navigate the path towards higher education should be easily accessible to every high school student in the country, especially students who come from low-income backgrounds and are first-generation, college-bound. In order to make this happen, counselors need to collaborate and share best practices so all students can be served well, which is why I have thoroughly enjoyed and valued my time serving as Co-Volunteer Chair for the Share, Learn & Connect Conference in the Bay Area for the past three years. Being apart of WACAC and NACAC, is a community I highly value, and appreciate every counselor who is doing the work of opening doors for students. I feel very lucky and privileged to be a college access counselor to low-income, first-generation college-bound students. I have advised students through the college application and enrollment process for the past 7 years at two community based organizations - Summer Search (4.5 years), Breakthrough Silicon Valley (2.5 years) - and now serve at Peninsula Bridge in Palo Alto, CA. I want to leverage the depth of experience I have working within CBOs through the position of an Assembly Delegate.

Q6 Goals I would set for myself in this office

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| Goal 1: | Be a voice for low-income, first-generation college-bound students. |
| Goal 2: | Bridge and deepen the collaboration between CBOs, School Counselors and College Admission Counselors. |
| Goal 3: | Increase representation and attendance of CBOs at WACAC and NACAC events. |
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Q7 Additional Information for the Nominating Committee

Thank you for your consideration!
