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I received my PhD from the University of Pittsburgh and joined BNL in March 2012 as a research associate in the Physics Department. Throughout my career I've been committed to student and postdoctoral affairs. At Pitt, I was president of the Association of Physics and Astronomy Graduate Students for three years. I fundraised for and organized social gatherings, met with prospective graduate students and represented my department on the Arts and Sciences Graduate Student Organization, as well as the Graduate and Professional Student Government. I served on the organizing committee of Grad Expo 2009, the annual university-wide graduate student conference. I also served on the Provost's Advisory of Women's Concerns for one year as the graduate student representative. I moved to Fermilab in 2009 to spend two years working on my dissertation experiment. I was elected one of five Graduate Student Association (GSA) officers in 2010. The GSA had a budget from the lab and hosted monthly social gatherings, organized the annual New Perspectives student conference, the annual Fermilab triathlon, and the year's major event, the Halloween party. GSA officers also serve on the Fermilab Users' Executive Committee, with which I attended the yearly visit to Congress in April 2011 to meet our representatives and advocate for continued science funding. At BNL I was in charge of Communications for the recent Young Researcher Symposium. My biggest goal if I'm elected for ASAP board is to continue the YRS as an increasingly successful annual tradition. I will work towards increasing career resources available to postdoctoral researchers, and plan to work closely with the Stony Brook Office of Postdoctoral Affairs in this regard. I plan on improving the visibility of students' and postdocs' research achievements to the lab community and management.