National Association of Student Anthropologists (NASA)  
**Call for Nominations for Officer and Committee Positions & Important Updates**

The [National Association of Student Anthropologists](http://www.studentanthropologists.org) (NASA) is seeking student candidates for the following officer positions:

**+** President-Elect **+** Listserv Editor

**+** Secretary-Treasurer **+** Graduate Representative-At-Large

**+** Newsletter Editor **+** Undergraduate Representative-At-Large

**+** E-Journal Editor **+** Nominations Committee Chair

NASA’s mandate is ‘to stimulate and encourage the interests and involvement of both graduate and undergraduate students in anthropology’. As an officer of NASA, you have the opportunity to directly shape important AAA policies and procedures as they relate to students.

We also directly address common concerns of all anthropology students: applying to and attending graduate school; applying and receiving funding; participation in fieldwork programs; training in appropriate methods; publishing opportunities; professional networking opportunities; networking; and securing employment.

Working with NASA is an excellent way to gain leadership skills, establish experience working collaboratively in an AAA section, and to network with other students, professors, and professionals in anthropology and related disciplines. The atmosphere between NASA officers is friendly and collegial. Nominees are encouraged to bring and develop their own ideas of how NASA can better serve the interests of our student constituency.

We welcome regular nominations and self-nominations for undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in anthropology. For more information, please consult the [summaries of officer roles and duties](http://studentanthropologists.wordpress.com/about/bylaws/). Please note that as you must be a section member to nominate, we’d like to encourage you to [join NASA now](http://www.aaanet.org/sections/section_info.cfm). The process is easy and costs only 10 dollars.

**How to Nominate**

Please include the following information in the body of your e-mail: (1) the officer position for nomination; (2) a biographical sketch; (3) a platform statement; and (4) a digital picture. For exact details on submission parameters, please visit [submission guidelines](http://www.studentanthropologists.org/Become).

**Deadline**

Nomination applications must be submitted by e-mail to the NASA Nominations Committee Chair, [Julie Goodman](mailto:mjul.m.goodman@gmail.com) (jul.m.goodman@gmail.com). Please use ‘NASA Nomination’ as your subject line.

**Nomination Applications are due by Friday, February 6, 2015.**

**The Election Process**

The NASA Nominations Committee will form a slate of candidates from the nominees for each position. Our section members will then vote for the candidates this spring. In accordance with NASA bylaws, elected nominees will serve a two-year term beginning in November 2015 and ending in November 2017.

Please note that candidates for these important officer positions must be NASA section members in good standing. If you are not currently a NASA member, we would like to encourage you to join NASA and submit a nomination.

**Internet Forum Survey**

In addition to election nominees, NASA is soliciting your input on the Forum we are creating for our website. We are requesting your completion of a simple, < 3-minute survey, which may be completed through the [NASA Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/groups/46461027296/) or through Google Docs ([here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ds_6f8ZGd7IodzkGPtmtchxA7WspIw1s4L6U5e9CAPo/viewform?c=0&w=1) or [here](http://goo.gl/forms/cpVLse27EF)). Please pick one format—Facebook or Google—as we will be cross tabulating.

**An Update From NASA’s Journal, *Student Anthropologist***

[Student Anthropologist](https://studentanthropologist.wordpress.com/)*,*the ﬂagship, peer-reviewed journal of NASA, has seen a number of updates this past year in addition to releasing [our most recent issue](https://studentanthropologist.wordpress.com/). The Editorial Board has fostered new opportunities for student professionalization by increasing student involvement in the journal’s publication process. We have introduced two new roles, Design Editor and Social Media Editor, which will allow students to contribute their skills and expertise to the journal. We are also excited to announce our new partnership with the York University Journal of Anthropology, *Contingent Horizons*. The goal of the partnership is to facilitate the exchange of best practices among journal contributors, and is a first step towards establishing a global network of resources for student anthropologists.

Students interested in peer reviewing or submitting a manuscript for consideration in our 2015 issue can find more information about our submission guidelines [here.](https://studentanthropologist.wordpress.com/2015/01/17/anthrostudent-call-for-papers-deadline-march-1st/" \t "_blank)

Thank you. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

The Officers of the National Association of Student Anthropologists:

**Andrew Tarter**, President 2014-2015 – University of Florida

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