

ASR Committee Update

12/2/22

Mission:

The Alumnae Student Relations Committee (ASR) sponsors programs, which help create a positive relationship between students and the Alumnae Association.

Members: Michelle Balavich, Kristen Oliver, Melissa Barkay, Kelsey Lindquist, Latasha Warmesley, Bev Curwen, Miki Hong, Angela Adams DeMoss, Ari Wolf, Viji Nakka-Cammauf, and Joyce Yee.

Highlights:

11/16: International Tea in collaboration with NE's Global Experience staff and Martha Levin's office. Approximately 45 students joined us for dinner and tea at RAH. It was a casual, conversation-filled evening. We met students from all over the globe, including: India, Singapore, China, Korea and more. There was good and open dialogue between Mills continuing and The NU students. There were requests from both groups for more opportunities to interact and dialogue.

12/2: Winter Graduation Celebration was held in the Student Union. There are 21 graduates in December. 10 mid-year graduates attended the event with family and friends. Among their friends were 4 students who will be graduating this spring. Dean Kochly, Allie Littlefox (Assistant VP of student Life, Innovation and Planning) and Lillian Gonzalez (Associate Dean of Students), participated in the program. Alumnae Relations staff Nikole Adams and Chelsea Ekholm partnered with the ASR Committee for this event. Governors and ASR Committee members shared congratulatory words and wishes with the students. Students shared their future plans. Each student received an ornament and a Mills bag. The evening concluded with a lovely reception catered by Ann's catering.

12/12: Finals Snack Bags distribution will be assembled by ASR committee members and distributed to students late in the day.

In Discussion:

Spring Conference for Mills Students (Angela): Students travel to Boston each spring for an annual conference. Cost is about \$2,000/student. At this time, it is unclear whether or not NU will cover the costs.

Doula Program (Angela): A very valuable program that may be going away. Is there a way we can help continue the program and open it up to alums? A minimum of 10 students is required. Costs involved: \$9,000 to hire the teacher; \$730 / student.

ACTION: Angela and Latasha will follow up with Vala Burnett, discuss possibilities and provide other resources where students can get assistance. Angela will keep ASR posted on the status of both programs and needs.

Housing and Food Insecurities Sub-Committee: To tackle housing and food insecurity as well as medical transportation needs.

ACTION: Angela and Ari will speak with Chantal at the Pantry regarding their needs. Ari will speak to Housing regarding their needs.

Upcoming Events:

February: Career Networking Event in collaboration with Ines Barbosa, VP of Student Life, Learning & Career Design

If you have any questions or want to get involved, please contact Joyce Yee at joyceyee2016@gmail.com