



# Graduate and Undergraduate Students are encouraged to **APPLY!**

President's Council of Student Advisors

**ACerS President's Council of Student Advisors (PCSA)**  
is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 Class of Delegates.

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE March 18, 2022!**

*The 2021-2022 class of delegates consists of 44 students from 29 universities, representing 8 countries.*

## WHAT IS PCSA?

The President's Council of Student Advisors (PCSA) is the student-led committee of The American Ceramic Society (ACerS) composed of ceramic and glass-focused students from around the world.

**"PCSA prepared me  
for leadership roles  
not only in ACerS but my  
career as well"**



—Lisa Rueschhoff

Materials Research Engineer, AFRL  
2014-2017: Recruitment chair, PCSA council chair

**"My involvement in  
PCSA really sets me  
apart from my peers"**



—Jessica Rimsza

Staff member, Sandia National Laboratory  
2013-2016: Programming chair, PCSA council chair

**"My role at PCSA expanded  
my network and got me where  
I am today"**



—Ashley Hilmas

Research Materials Engineer, AFRL  
2016-2019 Finance chair, PCSA council chair

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PCSA?

- Coordinate student-focused ceramic and glass programming at technical meetings.
- Develop and implement outreach activities.
- Facilitate industry-student relations.
- Help actively engage students as leaders in the ceramic and glass materials community.

## WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE A PCSA DELEGATE?

- A strong interest in ceramics/glass
- Leadership qualities
- Reliability and strong drive



*PCSA delegates assisting Keramos  
with the 2021 Mug Drop Competition*



For more information and to apply, please visit:  
[ceramics.org/applypcsa](https://ceramics.org/applypcsa)



# PCSA

## Committees & Leadership Opportunities

New and returning delegates gather in the Fall on the weekend prior to MS&T, for the PCSA annual business meeting. All delegates choose a committee to serve on and have the opportunity to take leadership roles within the PCSA.

Delegates establish new goals for the upcoming year, discuss committee plans, and reassess progress made over the previous year. Committees meet virtually throughout the year to accomplish their goals.

### PCSA LEADERSHIP ROLES

#### PCSA Chair

The PCSA Chair oversees the delegation, runs the Annual Business Meeting, organizes Chair meetings, and serves as the liaison between ACerS and PCSA.

#### PCSA Committee Chair

Each PCSA committee has a Chair who is in charge of organizing committee meetings, delegating tasks to committee members, and attending Chair meetings.

#### PCSA Divisional Delegates

PCSA Divisional Delegates attend division meetings for an ACerS division and serve as liaisons for PCSA, engaging delegates with leaders in their field.



*PCSA delegates along with Dana Goski, 2020-2021 ACerS President (center) at the 2021 PCSA Annual Business Meeting*

### PCSA COMMITTEES

#### Communications

- Manages social media accounts and helps advertise PCSA events
- Organizes authors for the Deciphering the Discipline column for the *ACerS Bulletin* monthly publication

#### External Partnerships

- Manages mentor program that pairs students with a mentor in industry or academia
- Connects PCSA delegates with international counterparts

#### Outreach

- Implements outreach activities and offers tools to K-12 classrooms, such as the ACerS Materials Science Kits
- Organizes the Day in the Life series on the PCSA Instagram

#### Programming

- Organizes the Student Tour at MS&T
- Plans Shot Glass and SIFT competitions at ICACC and Humanitarian Pitch Competition at the annual Materials Science & Technology (MS&T) conference

#### Recruitment

- Expands the PCSA network of contacts
- Manages application process for new and returning delegates



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*Shot Glass Competition entries at ICACC*

