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Candidate for: MNRS Nominating Committee



Personal Statement:

It would be a great honor to be elected to the Nominating Committee for MNRS. I have been a member of MNRS for eight years. I attended my first MNRS conference in 2013 while an undergraduate student at the University of Iowa. At my first conference, I immediately noticed the collaborative spirit and passion for research displayed by the members of MNRS. Since that time, I have invested my time and efforts working for the continued success of MNRS. During my PhD program, I served as the emerging scholars' liaison for Case Western Reserve University. I recently was the co-chair of the Women's Health and Childbearing RIIG (renamed Perinatal, Sexual, and Reproductive Health RIIG). During my tenure as co-chair we focused on expanding award opportunities and engaging and retaining student members. I continue to serve our RIIG as an award reviewer and abstract reviewer. Outside of MNRS, I am an active member of the International Society of Nurses in Genetics. I have served on the program planning committee for ISONG since 2016 and am currently serving as the Congress planning committee co-chair. These experiences have given me the necessary leadership, collaboration, and communication skills to serve on the Nominating Committee. Currently, I am a postdoctoral scholar at the University of Pittsburgh. Although most of my colleagues at Pitt are members of ERNS, I have maintained my membership and involvement with MNRS because I feel a deep connection to MNRS and our members and am passionate about the outstanding work we do. I would love the opportunity to expand my service beyond my RIIG and serve the entire MNRS organization. Thank you for your consideration.

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