

## **2021 Student Liaison Report**

### **Committee Structure**

As per the structure created by the Executive Committee of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists (AAPA), the *ad hoc* Student Committee co-chairs are the current and incoming Student Liaisons for the AAPA Executive Committee. The current (and outgoing) liaison is Alyson Caine.

### **2020-2021 Student Liaison Activities**

- The sixth annual Student and Early Career Mixer is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2021. The Early Career Mixer will be held as a zoom webinar, followed by an informal Wonder.me event for students and Early Career professionals to mix and mingle.
  - The fifth annual Student and Early Career Mixer was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2020, directly proceeding the Student Committee Meeting. The previous student liaison organized a discussion panel “Student Perspectives and Involvement Regarding Diversity in the American Association of Physical Anthropologists” for April 16, 2020. However, in response to the Coronavirus Pandemic the AAPA meetings were cancelled for 2020.
- The *ad hoc* Student Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th at the 2021 AAPA meeting through Wonder.me to encourage registered and unregistered students to participate.
- The current (and outgoing) student liaison is helping to facilitate Game Night, which is schedule for Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at the 2021 AAPA meeting.

The AAPA Student Members Facebook groups remains an active and used forum for students to interact and ask questions, as well as receive notification of field school and workshop opportunities, research and career opportunities, and be kept abreast of ongoing developments in the field. Members include students and professionals in the field. There are currently 4,363 members as of March 31, 2021, an increase of approximately 644 people from the previous business report.

### **Planned 2021 AAPA Meeting Student Committee Events**

- AAPA Student Committee Meeting
- AAPA Student & Early Career Mixer
- AAPA Game Night