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Class Year: 2010
College and Major: Arts and Sciences Information Sciences/Italian
Membership status (ie. annual or lifetime): Annual
CBAA Executive Position Sought: Vice President for Student Relations

1. Please tell us why you would like to serve on the CBAA Executive Board?

I am a very involved alum, keeping abreast with what is happening on campus as well as relations among my peers and other alumni. I attend CBAA events and am always looking for a way to keep myself involved with the campus. I recently moved back to New York and finished grad school. Now in the prime location for board meetings and events, along with new ample time now that I am finished with my studies, I figured this is the perfect time to join the e-board.

2. What experience, skills and/or qualifications do you possess that will help you serve effectively in this position?

I've always had an interest in being involved with the Cornell Student body. I am passionate about Cornell and love to share my experiences with students. Being involved as an alum makes me feel like I am still an active member of the Cornell community and consequently help students. I love giving them advice and see myself as a mentor to many who've recently graduated.

I'm also still very involved with the undergraduate admissions office at Cornell and feel that my relationship with the staff there will benefit my involvement on the CBAA e-board.

3. Please tell us your vision and goals for CBAA and how your role in this position will help the organization achieve these goals?

I would like to get more young alumni involved in CBAA. So many of my peers have great ideas, particularly to directly benefit current students on campus as well as high school students who have expressed interest in Cornell. I feel like my involvement in CBAA would give them the push they need to make a difference for the better.

Another goal of mine is to establish the opportunity for more student scholarships. I have some ideas in mind for fundraisers as well as getting more young alumni actively involved and paying dues to help us reach this goal.

4. Please tell us about your other Cornell volunteer activities?

I am a CAAAN volunteer in Brooklyn where I interview perspective students. I was also co-president of CU-IMAGE as an undergrad and now participate on the panel annual for the multicultural admitted students dinner at the Cornell Club. I return to campus a few times a year to recruit for my company at career fairs and engineering events.

4. What thoughts or other information would you like to share with the CBAA general body?

I think an overall mentorship program between the CBAA general body and current students will foster a networking opportunity as well as invoke a sense of purpose among alumni. I'd like to get a gauge on interest from the general body and hopefully implement it.