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HASENIN AL-KHERSAN
Graduate Student Affiliate, Pritzker School of Medicine

Hasenin is a first-year student at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. He first encountered UCSC in February when he attended the IMPACT National Conference on Community Service, Service Learning, and Civic Engagement at Valparaiso University in Indiana as a member of the UChicago delegation. He is currently Co-Chair of the Ophthalmology Interest Group, which provides vision screenings throughout Chicago in conjunction with community organizations, and a Board Member of the Washington Park Clinic, which offers free care to pediatric patients on the South Side. Hasenin received his Bachelor’s degree in Cell & Molecular Biology and Arabic & Islamic Studies from the University of Michigan in 2013. As an undergraduate student, Al-khersan was involved in service work through MuJew, an interfaith collaboration between Muslim and Jewish students.

EMMA ALMON
Undergraduate Affiliate, Class of 2016

Emma is a second-year student in the College, majoring in Public Policy with a minor in Human Rights. She has been actively involved with UCSC as a member of the 2013 Summer Links cohort, Service Match Leader for the South Shore Drill Team, and Service Match Leader for the Center of Higher Development. Emma also interned at the Institute of Women Today, a non-profit in the South Side that seeks to empower and support women through a variety of services. She will be spending this summer as the Event Intern for Gallery 37 Center for the Arts, a pivotal part of the city's After-School Matters program.

ADAM ALONSO
Alumni Affiliate (AB '93), Director of the Illinois Welcoming Center

Adam has spent 18 years in the non-profit industry, beginning his career while a student at the University of Chicago. He and a friend co-founded The Giving Tree, a student organization that addresses the needs of homeless people in Chicago while creating awareness to the student population. After graduating college, he worked in several non-profit organizations with a special emphasis on after-school and teen programs. While attending graduate school for social work at Loyola University, he launched Corazon Community Services, a non-profit agency in Cicero. The work focused on youth prevention, intervention, health, and leadership. Adam was the Director of Community Engagement at United Way of Metropolitan Chicago, successfully launching UWMC's first Live United Neighborhood Network in Brighton Park. Currently, he is the Director of the Illinois Welcoming Center, a Governor's initiative, managed by the Department of Human Services.
KELLI BOSAK
Graduate Student Affiliate, School of Social Service Administration

Kelli is a graduate student at the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration (SSA). Prior to coming to SSA, she completed a two-year term of AmeriCorps in Philadelphia, where she coordinated a staff of college student volunteers, as well as the daily operations of a community resource center, providing direct social services to low-income individuals. Kelli has been involved with UCSC in her role as a Community Fellow at the International House. She is also involved in developing community projects in the city of Chicago through the Summer Service Partnership, the Schweitzer Fellowship, and as a recipient of a grant through the Davis Projects for Peace. She received her Bachelor’s degree in French and Anthropology from the University of Michigan, and anticipates graduating from SSA with an AM degree in 2015.

AMY KHARE
Graduate Student Affiliate, School of Social Service Administration

Amy is a doctoral candidate at the School of Social Service Administration working on her dissertation that examines the privatization of public housing in Chicago. She also works for the Urban Institute’s Metropolitan Housing and Communities Policy Center. Her research focuses on processes of urban neighborhood change, with an emphasis on housing policy and politics, urban poverty, race and community development. Prior to returning to academics, Amy worked in five cities over the course of 10 years as a community development practitioner. She received her Bachelors and Masters of Social Welfare from the University of Kansas.

DAVE KLEIN
Alumni Affiliate (AB ’10)

Dave is excited to be joining the inaugural UCSC Advisory Board as an alumnus. While at the University of Chicago, he worked closely with UCSC as a Summer Links intern (2008) and Social Justice Intern (2008–2010). He has extensive experience working in community-building and youth leadership development roles throughout the Chicago nonprofit sector, including at Center on Halsted. He hopes to use this experience and knowledge to build meaningful partnerships between institutions and organizations in Chicago. He is dedicated to supporting programs in Chicago that provide transformative opportunities for students and promote the development of strong communities. Dave graduated from the College in 2010 with concentrations in English and Gender Studies and a minor in Human Rights.

STEPHEN LANDRY
Undergraduate Affiliate, Class of 2017

Born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia, Stephen is a first-year student in the College, majoring in Economics and Political Science. He is a former participant of Chicago Bound, UCSC’s pre-orientation service program. He interns as a community organizer with the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless and co-founded the UChicago chapter of the Coalition. Stephen teaches pre-collegiate philosophy at Carnegie Elementary School through Winning Words, a program of the Civic Knowledge Project. In addition, Stephen serves in various leadership capacities at the Institute of Politics, including as a Fellows Ambassador and will
serve on the Student Executive Board for the 2014-15 academic year. Stephen has also worked at the Latin American Association and International Rescue Committee, and will work in the Office of the Mayor of Atlanta this summer.

CODY MCSELLERS-MCCRAY
Community Partner Affiliate, Managing Director of Health Leads Chicago

Cody is the Managing Director of Health Leads Chicago—a national healthcare organization that also has a student chapter at the University of Chicago. She is a recognized leader in the Chicago non-profit community, specializing in community health, health inequities, and youth based sports development—in particular, focusing on issues related to food access/nutrition, physical activity, women's health, and access to quality care. Cody is a class of 2012, Leadership Greater Chicago Fellow, and active Board Member of Chicago Run. She received her Bachelor's degree in Sports Medicine/Kinesiology and Master of Public Health degree from Northern Illinois University. She is a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) and holds a certificate in Nonprofit Management from North Park University.

DAPHNE MCKEE
Undergraduate Affiliate, Class of 2017

Daphne is a first-year student in the College, majoring in Public Policy and/or Psychology. She is a former participant of Chicago Bound, UCSC's pre-orientation service program UCSC's and remains involved with UCSC's Days of Service. She is also a member of Students for Health Equity, the UChicago student arm of the campaign for a Level 1 adult trauma center on the South Side; Queers and Associates (Q&A); and Queers United in Power (QUIP), UChicago's LGBTQ activism group. In addition, Daphne has tutored at Blackstone Bicycle Works' youth program. She has high hopes for the Advisory Board's potential to foster communication between students, community, and administration, and is looking forward to working with everybody.

OMAR MCRROBERTS
Faculty Affiliate, Associate Professor of Sociology

Omar is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Chicago. His scholarly and teaching interests include the sociology of religion, poverty, social policy, and social movements. Omar was a student director of the early UCSC before it became a university office. He received his Bachelor's degree in Public Policy from the University of Chicago and his Masters and Ph.D in Sociology from Harvard University.
LAURA ROSENBERG  
Campus Colleague Affiliate, International House

Laura is currently the Assistant Director for Residential Programs at International House Chicago. She works closely with student program assistants to provide events for the residents of International House. Prior to this role, Laura was a student at the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration (SSA) and resident of International House. She recently received a Davis Projects for Peace grant. Through this grant, she is partnered with the YWCA Metropolitan Chicago to educate high school students from Lindblom Math and Science Academy on issues of dating, sexual, and domestic violence, and implement awareness programs throughout the 2013-2014 academic year. Laura received her Bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Lawrence University and Master’s degree from SSA in 2013.

DILLAN SIEGLER  
Campus Colleague Affiliate, Institute of Politics

Dillan is the Director of Partnerships and Engagement at UChicago's Institute of Politics (IOP). She oversees close to 300 student engagement and internship opportunities for UChicago students, and helps manage the IOP’s 100-plus on- and off-campus partnerships. Dillan has worked at the University for six years, during which time she founded and managed the UChicago Careers in Public and Social Service (UCIPSS) program at Career Advancement, a program geared to helping students translate their UChicago educations into meaningful public service careers post-graduation. Dillan has also partnered extensively with UCSC by offering joint events, speaking at UCSC programs, mentoring UCSC students, and sharing best practices and insights for running successful campus programs. Prior to coming to the University, Dillan ran the Adult Training and Employment Program at a west side non-profit, which provided resources and services to individuals with criminal backgrounds, disabilities, and other significant barriers to employment. Dillan received her Bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Yale University and an MBA in Managerial and Organizational Behavior from UChicago's Booth School of Business.

ANNA VOLERMAN  
Faculty Affiliate, Assistant Professor at University of Chicago Medicine

Anna is an Internal Medicine/Pediatrics physician and Assistant Professor at the University of Chicago Medicine. Her community work is focused on the intersection of health and education, and involves conducting health and wellness programming and community-engaged research with schools in Chicago. After completing her undergraduate work at Northwestern University, she received her medical degree at Boston University School of Medicine and trained in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics at the Harvard Brigham and Women’s/Boston Children’s Hospital Residency Program.
BARBARA WILSON  
Community Partner Affiliate, Senior Pastor at Coppin African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church and Executive Director of Coppin Community Center

Barbara is in her sixth year of service as the Senior Pastor of Coppin African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church and Executive Director of Coppin Community Center. Coppin is located in the South Side community of Washington Park and has partnered with UCSC to host student volunteers for Days of Service, Service Match, and Volunteer Referral. She has served in Christian ministry for 20 years. Prior to ministry, she worked in the federal criminal justice system for ten years, and the adoption and foster system for three years. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from the University of Memphis; Master of Science in Justice Administration from the University of Louisville; and Master of Divinity and Doctorate of Ministry from McCormick Theological Seminary.

PEGGY XU  
Undergraduate Affiliate, Class of 2017

Peggy is a first-year in the College, tentatively double majoring in Political Science and Classical Studies. Her interest in social justice has largely been inspired by her participation in UCSC’s Seeds of Justice Program, through which she has been able to discuss and engage with a variety of social justice issues with a cohort of peers. In February, she attended the IMPACT National Conference on Community Service, Service Learning, and Civic Engagement at Valparaiso University in Indiana. This experience reinforced her desire to cultivate and strengthen a culture of service on campus. Peggy also teaches for Peer Health Exchange, dances for Rhythmic Bodies in Motion, and interns with the University of Chicago Urban Network, an interdisciplinary hub for faculty, students, and others interested in urban research.