

Through my first advising position, I joined MSUs NACADA affiliated, Academic Advisors Council. On the Council, I currently serve as Executive Coordinator responsible for meeting spaces, communication with NACADA and our webpage. I've previously served as Secretary. It was through the council, that I discovered the benefits of NACADA at the university, region and national level. I've had the opportunity to attend the 2018 Annual conference in Phoenix and the 2020 Region 4 conference in Tampa. I've served as a reader for awards and proposals for annual conference and am currently in the Region 4 Mentoring program as a Mentee. We are a helping profession and can sometimes feel isolated in our positions unable to see how to improve our workflow or capacities, but the level of support and ideas shared at and through NACADA have improved my craft and effectiveness in advising. I welcome the possibility of serving at a greater level as Mississippi liaison, with the hope of encouraging greater participation in NACADA statewide so that others can have a similar experience in improving their advising effectiveness.