

ACA Secretary Nominees:



Amy Beebe, Cockrell School of Engineering

Hello! I am Amy Beebe - the Student Program Coordinator in Women in Engineering Program at the Cockrell School of Engineering (still a lot of words even though I'm not saying them now). I've been at UT for almost 4 years now. I was previously with the College of Natural Sciences – Honors Center & Student Life. I'm involved in the Hispanic Faculty & Staff Association, Con Mi Madre and am serving on this year's scholarship selection committee for Con Mi Madre. I mention this because though I have only been involved with ACA this past semester (I've attended all the meetings & eaten the yummy food), I have served and been active in other organizations. I'm interested in serving as the ACA Secretary because of my want to know more of the members from across campus, form connections, and be part of the wonderful ACA community by providing support in this position. (Why not jump all in from the beginning?!). All the meetings, note taking, documentation and passing along information (of which I can guess we all have experience in) are all polished skills that will help me be successful in this position. I'm positive, energetic, and truly enjoy working in a team environment! Thanks to the current executive team, committee chairs and their committees for making ACA so inviting and helpful. I look forward to the possibility of joining the executive team as the ACA Secretary and helping to support the ACA community.



Stephanie Cantu, McCombs School of Business

Good morning, my name is Stephanie Cantu and I am running for ACA Secretary. Although I'm a newer member of this organization, my ties and commitment to this university and our students run deep. I graduated from UT-Austin with degrees in business and psychology, and because of the amazing experiences I had as a student with dedicated advisors and student-oriented staff like all of you, that I wanted to return to the university as an employee so I could provide that same high quality, family-style experience for all our students. I'm most excited about joining the ACA Executive Committee because I want to create opportunities for development, collaboration, and support that allow all of us to do our work better. I'm very open to feedback and I love to find new ways to implement ideas. For example, I

work with the BBA Advising Team and we were recently having conversations about how we could streamline our orientation advising process. Essentially, we wanted to get more accurate and complete information from our students about their credit by exam and transfer coursework so that we could better advise them for their Fall courses. Taking into account how students can often feel overwhelmed at orientation, and using my background in survey and research design, I created a survey in Qualtrics that we could send to students prior to them arriving on campus for Orientation. Then, I used Excel, a bunch of logic statements, some if-then coding, and mail merge to create a personalized form that each student could receive and review with their orientation advisor and later our advising staff. Now, if that's sounds super technical and complicated, that's because IT WAS! But, that's exactly the kind of analytical problem-solving and expertise I hope to bring to the role of secretary and the rest of the Executive Committee. In addition, my colleagues in business would agree that I'm enthusiastic, positive, and upbeat, and I hope to bring that same energy to this entire organization. Thank you so much!