



*Paris Smith*

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My name is Paris Smith. I was born in Oak Park, Illinois, and I have lived in Chicago, Illinois since then. For college, I currently attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where I am earning my degree in Community Health with a double concentration in Health Education and Promotion and Health Administration and Planning.

During my Sophomore year, I learned about Gamma Phi Delta Sorority and began my journey to sisterhood. On May 12, 2017, I was inducted into the Audacious Alpha Eta Chapter of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Incorporated.

I have held the position as First-Anti Basileus since becoming a member of my chapter. I am now also very proud to say that I have a new position as the National Undergraduate Representative. Being a member who has helped to re-establish the Alpha Eta from having no members for seven years. It has allowed me to truly understand the bonds of sisterhood how that alone with one of the pillars that makes the sorority what is.

While being a student at the university, I have worked as a Residential Advisor and Desk Clerk for University Housing, Program Tutor for Elementary students, and an Alcohol and Other Drug Peer Facilitator. However, even with all of these positions I have assisted with various planning committees such as the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service and community service projects such as making birthday kits for homeless children.

I want to educate people about their health in my career field and be a mentor to those that are younger than me to utilize what they have in themselves to be the best that they can be. Not everyone is offered an opportunity to be educated whether that be personal or with their academics. However, I want to be able to be that person that can help them in any way that I can.

Within this position, I hope to aid in building more knowledge about our organization and membership in the undergraduate chapters. In doing this, I want to connect our undergrads with our graduate chapter members to learn about our history and how to use those views into their chapters to grow to new heights.