



2024 Student SIG Officers

Chair: Morgan Conty Hi, everyone! My name is Morgan Conty, and I will be serving as the Chair In-Training for this year on the Student SIG. I am currently a first year DPT student at Seton Hill University located in Greensburg, PA. Obviously, since this is my first year in PT school, this is also my first time being a part of the Student SIG, and I couldn't be more excited! One of the things that I'm most excited about is being able to connect with other physical therapy students in Pennsylvania which will allow me to network outside of my smaller university and create bonds over the similar paths we are all currently experiencing. I am very passionate about getting involved in the APTA, as well as encouraging other students to become involved because I believe it will set us up for success in the postgraduate school world, and it is part of our responsibility to advocate for our profession, even as students! Utilizing the resources from the APTA PA, as well as engaging with other students through the SSIG will allow us to become the best possible clinicians for our future patients. When I'm not busy studying, I enjoy spending my free time outside! Some of my favorite activities are going hiking with my puppy, hunting, camping, hammocking, and kayaking

Vice Chair: Elizabeth Fleming Hello! My name is Elizabeth Fleming, and I am currently in my 1st year of Seton Hill University's Doctor of Physical Therapy Program. I will be serving as your APTA PA SSIG Public Relations Chair. I am also the President of Seton Hill University's DPT Club. This is my first year on the Student SIG and I am beyond excited for this opportunity! I am very passionate about being an advocate for change to advance our amazing profession and connect with others who share the same passion as well. One of the most exciting things about my position is being able to promote, connect, and network with other students across Pennsylvania and demonstrate how important the APTA is and how we can become more involved in so many ways. Outside of school, I enjoy lifting, reading, and playing with my 4 cats!

Advocacy Chair: Hello everyone! My name is Hope Sasz (she/hers) and I am currently a 2nd year DPT student at Moravian University. My role for the 2024 Student SIG will be Co-Advocacy Chair and I am so excited to assist with the expansion of important topics and driving the profession with this passionate group of individuals. At Moravian University, I currently hold the position of Professional Service Chair, so I understand the qualities that can positively influence us as future Physical Therapists/Physical Therapy Assistants. Through this role, I strive to advocate for different topics within the APTA, strengthening our community, and making sure that we maintain excellence as our core values illustrate. Advocacy plays an essential role in our field and society; therefore, my goal is to collaborate with our group to pass along important topics, events, and provide information on how we can make a difference. Some of my interests outside of school include using different mediums to create art, relaxing at the beach, and I also currently hold a position as a marching band instructor. I can't wait to see what this year will hold and how we can influence change in the profession!

Advocacy Chair: Kaitlyn Krueger Hi everyone, my name is Kaitlyn Krueger I will be serving as one of the 2024 Advocacy Chairs for the APTA Pennsylvania Student Special Interest Group (SIG) Board! I am currently a second-year student at Seton Hill University pursuing my degree in physical therapy. I am a passionate and driven student dedicated to advancing the field of physical therapy and advocating for the rights and well-being of both patients and practitioners. I have always been deeply committed to understanding the intricacies of human movement and promoting optimal health and function for individuals of all ages and abilities. I cannot wait to work with like-minded individuals to promote advocacy and involvement in the physical therapy field beginning as a student and continuing into our professional lives.

Western District Representative: Hello everyone! My name is Jake Reed, I will be serving as one of the Western District Representatives. I am a second-year DPT student at Seton Hill University in Greensburg, PA. I am excited to be part of the APTA-PA SSIG because it gives me the opportunity to connect with other rising professionals and network with more people in the PT profession. Another reason that I wanted to get involved is to actually take a role in advocating for our profession. This is something that I believe everyone should be involved in because we all have a vested interest in physical therapy and making sure that the profession continues on an upward trajectory for DPT and PTA professionals. Being part of the APTA-PA gives us all access to networking opportunities as well as resources to help us complete our schooling and become great professionals! After class and studying is over, you can usually find me spending time with my wife and kids or getting outside hunting, fishing, hiking.

PTA Student Representative: Hello! My name is Lisa Cavlovich. I am thrilled to be serving as the PTA representative for 2024. I am a first year PTA student at the Community College of Allegheny County in Pittsburgh. This will be a wonderful networking experience and I am excited to be able to communicate and share information that will grow the cohesive work environment between the PTs and PTAs. I was originally a Musical Theatre student at Point Park University and a dancer for 24 years. I was born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA and enjoy singing for Hospice patients, spending time with my 3 children and my beautiful Siberian Husky Rue.