2012 Student Leadership Awards Application Form

Please complete all fields and e-mail this form to undergrad@acs.org (include "2012 Leadership Awards" in the subject line) or FAX to 202-872-8068. All paid student members who have completed at least one year of undergraduate studies in the chemical sciences and have held elective office in an active student chapter are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to sophomores and juniors.

All applications must be received by October 26, 2011

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10. Expected Graduation Date:	May 2013

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Faculty Advisor Signature	/Date/

My name is Euvelisse N. Jusino Del Valle, I'm twenty one years old and study Chemistry at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus. Since my childhood, I have been interested in what Science offers to the world, and also very compromised in accepting the challenge that it is to achieve my goals as a successful and hardworking Puerto Rican woman. Throughout my years of study, my love and passion for chemistry has grown and has encouraged me to look for different opportunities to develop my skills as a scientist and also look for challenges and experiences to grow as a professional leader. Even though my life has been difficult in many ways, I am among those that think the most important thing in a student's life is to have a great foundation in order to be a multidisciplinary student and the way to get it is by learning from the different experiences and disciplines.

One of the basic values taught at my high school, was to understand the meaning of Community Service, and how to extend to society and encourage them to also help others. This was the beginning of a new vision as a student, and future professional; where I started to participate in community service organizations. I learned that my leadership skills obtained, were improved throughout the different activities and responsibilities that were assigned to me; until I started to lead small organization groups. My objective as a leader and student, was to help give confidence to other students to participate in activities in and out of the institution, obtaining as a result, their compromise to an area of their domain and cherish it. One of the most joyful moments that I have experienced in my life, was to receive the leadership award at my High School graduation. Even though I selected Chemistry as my major in college, I wanted to continue impacting more individuals with the need of helping the community. This was when I became an ACS member.

During the fall of 2010 I had the great opportunity to experience a different motivation. I was selected as a student mentor for the general chemistry laboratories, by helping the students to understand the importance and manage of laboratory skills. This program designed by Dr. Liz Diaz in Chemistry Education has been a success because of the interaction and familiarity that exists between current course students, being helped by another student who has already succeeded in the course. Having the opportunity to show them the importance of studying and applying what they learn in conference at the laboratory, was very challenging due to student diversity and different ways of learning. As a leader, this has given me the opportunity to understand students and also provide solutions developing new ways to transmit the importance and beauty of chemistry. Being part of Chemistry Education at the University of Puerto Rico is a very rewarding and academic honor.

I have been member of the ACS UPR, Rio Piedras Chapter for two years now. During the past year, I was in charge of the public relations of the chapter where I encouraged students of the campus to become ACS members to have the opportunity of representing university as well as participating of community work to also enhance their interpersonal relations. Other of my duties have been to help the directive in general, organizing special activities related to the International Year of Chemistry. All of this has helped me develop leadership, as well as participating of the community work which is mainly what our ACS chapter stands for. Our mission is to show people of all ages, especially children and teenagers the importance of chemistry and how involved it is on a daily basis, on contrary of what they would think of it as

only a school subject. Demonstrating and performing before teachers, students and parents, is very rewarding and I know that our contribution is being appreciated in a positive way for the future of the people we impact. The experiences the chapter allows me to have, help me develop how to be proactive, manage different situations, as well as learning how to be a team leader. This is why this year I was elected as president of the ACS-Rio Piedras Chapter.

While pursuing my role as president of the ACS Chapter, I have received excellent guidance from our chapter councilor, Dr. Ingrid Montes. She helped me gain confidence in how to lead our chapter and organize activities, influencing the directive and chapter in general to involve the faculty and campus in all our activities. This includes social reunions for our members, fundraising, resumé training, opportunities for internships and last but one of the most important missions in our chapter; community service. The International Year of Chemistry has been an excellent opportunity for us to motivate and impact the community, sharing our chemistry in different ways such as outreach's, school demonstrations, faculty activities and chemistry festivals around the local section.

Throughout my years in college, I had participated in campus obtaining leadership experience; however, I also challenged myself serving the community and improving my leading abilities outside campus. I had the opportunity to share ideas and develop logistic organizing while preparing a Health Fair for Communities in my home town. I also developed my skills in leadership, while participating in the Social Activity Committee for the *IUPAC 43rd World Chemistry Congress*, which was held for the first time in the Caribbean, and in Puerto Rico. I had the opportunity to learn how to work and propose ideas for different activity planning, as well to recognize the volunteers potential and have them experience and understand the importance of community service. For the *National Chemistry Week*, a "Festival de Química" was held at the "Paseo de las Artes" in Caguas, where I was in charge of our *Chem Clubs*, the festival volunteers, and had the great chance to experience the planning of a second Health Fair for the participants at the festival in a greater scale for the ACS Puerto Rico Local Section. This helped me realize the growth in leadership I have obtained and plan to continue to practice and apply my scientific and leader skills with dedication, organization and compromise.

I'm happy that I have proved to be a perseverant student and will continue to be one throughout my lifetime in every personal and professional way. There is nothing in life one cannot accomplish. Even though my chapter counts with excellent volunteers with the will and compromise to help the community, I believe I can help my chapter to also develop leadership skills and to transform their ideas and initiatives to chapter activities to strengthen even more the student chapter. This is why I would like to learn and mature interpersonal, and motivation skills, to obtain the attention of those members who are still focused only in their major, when they have the interest in serving the community but don't know how to contribute. Having more than one hundred and forty ACS Chapter members is a very positive aspect, but it is one of my responsibilities as a leader to help and guide them to develop all of their potential and also encourage them to aspire to leading roles and community service throughout their experience in campus, the American Chemical Society and future. I will contribute in very innovative ways to science and the community and also encourage others to do so. As a minority group female I can guarantee that once a goal is established, everything is possible with dedication, courage of conviction and love for what one does.

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OBJECTIVES: Obtain an opportunity to develop my leadership skills and acquire professional experience while,

cooperating with the goals and missions of the American Chemical Society.

EDUCATION: University of Puerto Rico- Rio Piedras Campus

4th Year, Chemistry G.P.A: 3.20/4.00

EXPECTED GRAD DATE: MAY 2013

SKILLS: •leadership •initiative •teamwork •creative •problem solution •organized

•persuasive •quick learning •bilingual (Spanish, English)

JOB EXPERIENCES:

May 2010- Present ACS Student Chapter President – University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Chapter

• Chapter leader, establishing the importance of union and community service. Fulfilling the Vision and Mission of the organization.

Jan. 2011 Tutor for General Chemistry Students at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus

 Helping students to understand general chemistry, learning from another student. It has been proved that student mentors have a positive influence in course taking students; encouraging them to also enter the program to help others.

Aug. 2009-11 Research assistant at the Chemistry Department in the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus – (-Organometallic Synthesis) Dr. John Soderquist's Lab/ Mentor: Eyleen Alicea

- "Enantioselective Synthesis of a-Trimethylsilylallenyl Carbinamines with the 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.2]decanes"
- Synthesize new molecules with desired enantiomeric excess for future pharmaceutical purposes.

PRESENTATIONS

March 2011 ACS National Spring Meeting

Anaheim, California

Chapter Poster: Celebrating the International Year of Chemistry

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE:

July 2011 43rd IUPAC Chemistry Congress Volunteer

Pedro Roselló Convention Center

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Jan. 2011- Present Health Fair co-organizer and public relations spokesperson for the ACS Puerto Rico Local Section

Nov. 2010 Day of Children volunteer at "El Morro Puerto Rico"

• Represented ACS Rio Piedras Campus Chapter

Oct. 2009 SERMAC'S volunteer from University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus

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Nancy Bakowski Manager Undergraduate Programs American Chemical Society 1155 16th St., NW Washington DC 20036

Dear Ms Bakowski:

This is a letter of support to Ms Euvelisse Jusino who is interested in participate in your 2012 ACS student leadership program. I have known Euveliss for the last three years, as student in my organic chemistry course and its laboratory, my student in capstone course related to Green Chemistry and as an active member of the ACS student chapter.

Euvelisse, is extremely responsible and takes the leadership in many initiatives. She is a very bright person and readily invites new challenges. At her young age she knows what she wants, and she is willing to dedicate all efforts in order to pursue her professional goals. She is an easygoing person, unusually mature in her judgments and interpersonal relationships. She is an honest reliable person and capable working in groups as efficiently as she does independent work. During the last three academic years she distinguished herself as a very active member of the American Chemical Society (student chapter) organization. During this academic year she is the president. I am their faculty advisor, position that enables me to observe her leadership characteristics. She is a hard worker; high committed and demonstrated very positive leadership skills. For the past fifteen years the UPR- Rio Piedras ACS Student Chapter has been distinguished by the ACS as one of the National Outstanding Chapters.

For all the reasons stated above, I know that she has all the academic and personal qualifications to be successful at your student leadership program. Based on this, I strongly recommend her for the opportunity to enter your program.

Sincerely

Ingrid Montes, Ph.D., Fellow ACS, Fellow IUPAC

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