



Physicians for  
Human Rights

# Student Advisory Board Committee Application 2023-2024

## OVERVIEW

The Physicians for Human Rights Student Advisory Board (SAB) is a group of medical students charged with coordinating and overseeing the PHR Student Program, which is composed of PHR student chapters at medical institutions across the world. By coordinating among PHR student chapters and the PHR national office, the SAB aims to strengthen and grow a national student movement that furthers PHR's goals and promotes medical students' training in human rights work.

SAB members are expected to be self-starters and motivated individuals invested in developing and strengthening the PHR Student Program. Members of the SAB are expected to excel in oral and written communication, time management, and teamwork; they should also be motivated to continue to grow in these areas throughout their time on the SAB.

The average time expectation for SAB committee members is 8-10 hours per month, with peak activity at the beginning of the fall semester. SAB members may be rising second, third- or fourth-year medical students. Key responsibilities for SAB members include:

- Attend the SAB annual retreat (generally virtually on a Saturday in August, potentially at PHR headquarters in NYC if COVID-19 permitting)
- Participate in regular SAB conference calls (generally 1-2/month)
- Engage responsively in email correspondence for SAB business
- Attend and assist in execution of the annual PHR National Student Conference (generally in early - mid springtime)

## AVAILABLE POSITIONS

### **2024 Conference Host**

- If you are interested in having the PHR chapter at your institution host our 2024 annual conference, email us directly at [sab@phrstudents.org](mailto:sab@phrstudents.org) or check off the box below, and we will follow up with you.

### **Advocacy Committee (4 position)**

- Design and promote national and international advocacy initiatives in line with PHR's advocacy goals.
- Support PHR's organizational advocacy campaigns
- Create complete, media-ready toolkits for specific advocacy issues to empower medical students to speak up and act
- Develop training, educational, and service opportunities for students in conjunction with national organization efforts

### **Asylum & Refugee Committee (4 positions)**

- Report and liaise with PHR staff members on asylum issues
- Communicate with PHR Asylum Coordinators and facilitate contact between student-run asylum clinics
- Serve as point-of-contact for PHR chapters on initiating and running student-run asylum clinics
- Maintain regular contact among all asylum clinics (both PHR-official and independent clinics)
- Assist PHR asylum clinics' contact with local refugee organizations to create sustainable solutions to the asylum crisis

### **Research & Development Committee**

1. Conduct up to date literature reviews for PHRs human rights topic areas
2. Empower students from the student board and asylum clinics to conduct original research
3. Network to PHR researchers to serve as project mentors

\*some experience in research methods strongly recommended

**Administrative and Finance Chair (1 position)**

- Help maintain the PHR SAB’s correspondence with students across the country.
- Respond to and filter messages so they are sent to the proper committees and subcommittees on the SAB.

**Media Committee (4 - 5 positions)**

- Maintain, build, and promote the SAB’s media platforms, including the website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and TikTok
- Act as direct point of communication with student chapter leaders of new and existing chapters
- Gather and organize up to date chapter leadership contact information and PHR chapter networks
- Advertise PHR’s organizational efforts, campaigns, and news in real time
- Think creatively to build the PHR student presence across media platforms

**Subcommittees**

- Multiple advocacy subcommittees will be created based on student interest. Each subcommittee will be assigned a topic, and they will be responsible for the creation of one deliverable throughout the year. The deliverable should be focused upon educating medical students about their topic.

**APPLICATION**

The purpose of this application is to enable the selection committee (current and incoming PHR SAB Co-Directors) to get to know you. **Please submit this application along with your resume to [phr.sab@gmail.com](mailto:phr.sab@gmail.com) no later than Sunday, March 19, 2023. We will start extending interview invites by **March 22, 2023**.**

**1. General Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical School: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Grad year: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Positions for which you would like to be considered** (*select rank order of preference if more than one*):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Research & Development Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Hosting               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy Committee               | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Communications Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asylum and Refugee Committee     | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative & Finance Chair   |

**3. Subcommittee positions for which you would like to be considered** (*select rank order of preference if more than one*):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Climate Change             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Force and Policing | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights Update        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carceral System              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual and Gender Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human Trafficking            | <input type="checkbox"/> Genocide and Massacres     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Global Health and Surgery    | <input type="checkbox"/> Asylum and migrant issues  |

Other (list additional interests): \_\_\_\_\_

**4. In no more than 3-4 sentences, briefly discuss what drew you to apply to PHR SAB, and what you hope to get out of the position.**