



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

CHAIR APPLICATION

Please review the following for clarity of the vision and expectations for the Young Professionals Chair, leadership position for the La Crosse Area Chamber Young Professionals, a workgroup of the La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce.

THE MISSION OF THE LA CROSSE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

To elevate and strengthen the business community in order to enhance the La Crosse Area's quality of life.

THE CHARTER AND GOALS OF THE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP

The La Crosse Area Young Professionals strives to create a vibrant, growing business climate through attracting, retaining, and preparing the region's next generation of business leaders and community decision-makers.

The committee establishes goals annually with guidance from the Chamber staff and Board members to ensure alignment with the Chamber's mission and strategic plan.

ROLE OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

As committee chair,

- I will drive strategies for engagement of current Young Professionals members, recruitment of prospective members, and achievement of committee goals.
- I understand and assist in creating the agenda prior to each meeting.
- I will attend committee meetings and be prepared to lead each meeting.
- I will foster teamwork, camaraderie, and accountability within the Young Professionals Committee.
- I will provide accountability to the La Crosse Area Chamber's Board of Directors for the Young Professionals committee meeting its established goals. This includes direct communication with the Board liaison and presenting occasional updates at Chamber Board meetings.
- I will encourage participation, manage discussion, and keep meetings on track to ensure all key agenda items are discussed.
- I will assist or lead the orientation of new committee members in a timely fashion.

TIME COMMITMENT

The Young Professionals Chair position is a 1-year term, running January – December.

I understand the participation and attendance requirements of the Young Professionals Chair position, including the annual term limit, and:

- 1 hour committee meetings, monthly
- 80% attendance at Young Professionals events, monthly
- Occasional attendance at Chamber Board meetings to present progress (2-3 per year).
- Heavy presence at La Crosse Area Chamber events and programs to act as a contact for those interest in joining the La Crosse Area Young Professionals
- Additional time commitment needed to prepare for meetings and events, onboard, and engage with new YP members.

ROLE OF LA CROSSE AREA CHAMBER STAFF

The La Crosse Area Chamber staff will:

- Act as a liaison between the Young Professionals committee, Board liaison, and the Chamber's Board of Directors
- Manage fiscal oversight for Young Professionals events and programs
- Send monthly committee meeting reminders
- Seek out and secure Young Professionals program sponsors
- Support and advise the YP Chair throughout the term

TO APPLY, [BY NOVEMBER 10TH](#), PLEASE SEND RESUME AND COVER LETTER TO:

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