ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this project was to propose the guidelines necessary to create a new student group at Ball State University specifically for the professional development of aspiring student affairs professionals. This student group also has the potential to be implemented at other institutions of higher education. There is a missing link at Ball State University in the preparation of undergraduate students for graduate schools in the area of Student Affairs Administration or College Student Personnel. The main goal of this organization is to provide professional development opportunities for undergraduate students who seek a career in student affairs. The organization will collaborate with campus partners in other academic and educational departments to achieve student learning and developmental outcomes. An overarching result of participating in this student organization is the professional growth of individuals with a common interest or goal.