




## 09-10 LCN Nomination

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1980 in Beirut, Lebanon. At the age of five, I moved to Sacramento, California. At 17, I moved to Los Angeles where I earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering at Loyola Marymount University (LMU) and my Masters of Science in Structural Engineering from the University of Southern California.

In August of 2002, my career with the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) began. I worked as a Structural Designer for the Environmental Engineering Division, as a Project Engineer (PE) for the Bridge Improvement Program, as a PE for the Wastewater Conveyance Construction Division, and finally the Bureau's Council / Board Liaison. I just started a new career in the Water Recycling Regulatory Program at the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power.

Due to my Structural Engineering Masters, I work part-time as a Faculty Adjunct at LMU. I teach steel design to undergraduate students. I am also very involved in the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). I have been the President for the MLAB Younger Member Forum (YMF) as well as the University Outreach Chair and Scholarship Chair. I am currently the Branch President-Elect. These roles allowed me to promote civil engineering to college students as well as enhance my skills as a leader. I applied those skills as the 07-08 LCN Treasurer and the 08-09 LCN Vice President of Events.

As a co-founder of the LCN, I was able to help secure 501(c)3 non-profit status, help organize four successful fundraising dinners (in LA and DC), host several Resume workshops, coordinate the activities and logistics for both the 2008 & 2009 LCN Conventions.

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The success of the LCN is primarily due to the work of talented individuals on the board. They turned a dream into a reality and I feel fortunate to be a part of this team. My proudest moments were the several friendships I made with the LCN students and alumni membership.

### Statement of Purpose:

I hope to serve as *your* 2009-10 LCN President. The LCN is an organization that is full of potential. Over the past few years, I was the lead Constitutional Chair, the Treasurer, a co-founder, and the VP of Events. My responsibilities allowed me to work successfully with the Executive Board. As a team we diligently and quickly completed the constitution, bylaws, award programs, and secured 501c3 status. We completed three issues of reCap, uploaded an excellent website, had monthly meetings and expanded our membership base.

The President is an important part of the LCN organization. It is the position that *serves* the entire board and membership. I was lucky to closely work with Patrick Sislian (current President) in fulfilling the Mission of the LCN.

Together, we worked to subsidize all costs to the student membership. Students paid less than half of the convention value when they registered. We raised more than \$25,000 in the course of two fiscal years.

I understand the responsibilities of this position and I will take them very seriously. The LCN is a big part of my life. It has proven its potential in serving its membership. It has opened opportunities for students to network with one another and is quickly growing to become a tool for professional development. I want to continue to be a contributing factor of the LCN and its Mission.

Per LCN Bylaws:

1) President

The President shall macro manage the Board and provide assistance when needed.

- 1.1 The President shall create and update all standard documents, and letters common to LCN.
- 1.2 The President shall ensure that monthly meetings occur for the Board.
- 1.3 The President shall proctor the monthly meetings. In the absence of the President, the President will appoint a Vice President to be the Presiding Officer.
- 1.4 The President shall be responsible for quality control of all Board publications and announcements related to LCN.

If elected, I will work to serve the elected board and the membership. I will ensure that each officer has the tools necessary to complete their tasks. I believe in accountability and I will always remember to put the good of the membership first. Thank you and I hope that you allow me to serve as *your* President for the 2009-2010 year.

Keep bleeding LCN!

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born in Lebanon and moved to the US in 2003 to pursue my Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering and Mathematics/Economics at the University of Southern California.

At USC, I was given the opportunity to serve on the board of the USC Lebanese Club both as its president and as a public relations chair. My experience as both a member and leader of the club introduced me to lifelong friends, university policies and taught me the both the hardships and joys of working in a team.

My campus involvement extended to several other organizations where I took on different board positions, including the treasurer of the honors society OXE and vice president of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

In my final years at USC and along with six friends, I confounded the Lebanese Collegiate Network and served as its Vice President of Membership for two consecutive years.

Upon graduation I joined GE's Commercial Leadership Program and moved to Northern California. As part of my job, I manage small and medium sized projects as well lead several sales initiatives.

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### **Statement of Purpose:**

I have served you as a board member for two consecutive terms as Vice President of Membership, and I hope to serve you again as your LCN Treasurer. Since the inception of this organization, I have but grown fonder of the people that it serves and the fellow board members I served alongside.

As your Treasurer, I promise to continue making the LCN transparent and efficient. I also look forward to supporting the Fundraising Committee and work to expand the programs of the LCN and minimize the costs to our student membership. I also promise to serve within the boundaries and requirements of the LCN Bylaws and Constitution.

### ***Per Article III Section 6.3***

The Treasurer shall secure an approved budget by the Board to support all of and objectives of each year.

3.1 The Treasurer shall produce and secure a board approved annual budget.

3.2 The Treasurer shall prepare monthly financial reports tracking the budget's status.

3.3 The Treasurer shall store all LCN financial documents and provide the Secretary a copy of such documents.

3.4 The Treasurer shall actively solicit donations, raise funds, and be responsible for all LCN related financial activities.

3.5 The Treasurer shall ensure the accessibility of all LCN financial documents.

My goals include:

- Preparing a sound Budget for the 2009-2010 Term
- Maintaining our 501(c)3 status
- Providing more detailed and automated reports on LCN Finances
- Making all Financial transactions available to the our members as requested
- Increasing the Budget by 10%
- Increase our base of donors through the Fundraising Committee

As Vice President of Membership, I have been able to establish relationships with over 16 different University Lebanese Clubs, over 20 presidents and hundreds of members. The LCN has allowed me to share my knowledge, but it has also taught me to work as a team player, to share responsibilities, to maintain a clear vision of the LCN goals and to do all my work in an honest, open and justifiable manner. I am very enthusiastic about the future of this organization, the challenges that it will face. More importantly, I look forward to working as a board member to solve those challenges and to serve the membership.

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born in Beirut, Lebanon and lived there until the age of 4. My family moved to Toronto, Canada and lived there for 9 years before moving to Southern California. I have been a Southern California resident for 11 years and I am fortunate to live closer to my family.

I received my Bachelors of Science in Geographic Information Systems from Cal Poly Pomona and am currently pursuing a Masters of Arts in the same field to further my knowledge in my career. I have had experience utilizing GIS with several utility companies including the Inland Empire Utilities Agency and the Southern California Gas Company which has taught me leadership and management among other things. This has helped in many aspects of my life including recently having the honor of being appointed as Treasurer for the LCN. With help from the rest of the board I was able to update the budget, an essential document to any successful organization. It was truly an honor to be selected for this very important position and I look forward continuing my participation and leadership with the LCN if elected as Secretary.





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### Statement of Purpose:

I hope to serve as Secretary for the LCN during the 2009-10 fiscal year. I believe my experience with the LCN as Treasurer will assist me in serving you, our membership base. I believe the LCN is a truly wonderful organization and I would love nothing more than to continue to contribute to this worthy endeavor. I would be honored to be Secretary for the 2009-10 year and look forward to progress and growth of this organization. I promise to fulfill my duties as Secretary as prescribed in the LCN Bylaws.

### Per LCN Bylaws:

#### Secretary

The Secretary shall administer all LCN related documents.

- 2.1 The Secretary shall guarantee the meeting agenda is ready and to be distributed to the Board no later than one day before the meeting.
- 2.2 The Secretary shall have the President review the meeting minutes and agenda before distribution.
- 2.3 The Secretary shall record and distribute meeting minutes within three days of the board meeting.
- 2.4 The Secretary shall archive all LCN related documents.

As Secretary, I will strive to serve the membership to the best of my ability. I will work for the betterment of the organization and continue to keep the LCN's interests at heart.

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### **Brief Biography:**

Although I was born and raised in California, my parents have instilled their love of Lebanon in me. I have been involved in numerous organizations that were formed in order to aid Lebanon and its people. I was elected as secretary of the Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) of Our Lady of Mount Lebanon Cathedral from 1999-2002. I also served as a member of the MYO Executive Board from 2006-2007. I was also on the Board of the International Maronite Foundation (IMF) where I aided in hosting the 2002 Convention in Long Beach, California. I served on the Events Committee where duties included organizing events for the Youth and communicating with Lebanese Dignitaries. I was an active member of the American Lebanese Medical Association (ALMA) where I was able to participate as a committee member for the 2000 conference in Lebanon and the annual medical symposiums. Through ALMA, I became an active volunteer for clinics in Lebanon.

Since 2008, I have been serving on the National Apostolate Maronites (NAM) 2009 Convention Committee where I helped organize spiritual and social activities for young adults.

I am currently pursuing a J.D. at the University of West Los Angeles School of Law. Before attending UWLA, I began my law studies at Thomas M. Cooley School of Law in Michigan. During my first term at Thomas M. Cooley, I was elected as Vice-President of the International Law Society. As Vice-President, I was able to help create a relationship with the ILS and the World Affairs Council in bringing International figures to campus for lectures and panel sessions.

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My role as Vice-President of Public Relations of the Lebanese Collegiate Network has been greatly fulfilling and worthwhile. I have worked closely with a selfless board that has diligently and efficiently created an organization that caters to University Lebanese Clubs.

Serving the LCN membership as VP of Public Relations has been an honor. I was given the opportunity spread the word of the LCN through several newspapers throughout the United States. The LCN has received great coverage from these resources. With the help of you LCN Board, I was able to meet all goals of the 08-09 term. The duty and time commitment spent on the Board has been invaluable.

### **Statement of Purpose:**

The LCN has been a dream that came true, and a reality that I am dedicated to. Serving as VP of PR for 2 years has been a wonderful experience. I feel that I can help myself and the LCN membership by taking on a new role.

The position of Vice President of Membership is a role I plan to next serve you as. As VP of Membership, I plan on working with, and follow the footsteps, of current VP of Membership, Sevag Sislian.

Per the LCN Bylaws:

### **5) Vice President of Membership**

The VP of Membership shall oversee all LCN membership related duties.

5.1 The VP of Membership shall advertise activities, events, and goals to the membership.

5.2 The VP of Membership shall increase the membership of LCN by a Board approved projected percentage at the beginning of each year.

5.3 The VP of Membership shall be in frequent and direct contact with all ULC Presidents to strengthen their network and involvement within LCN.

5.4 The VP of Membership shall publish a quarterly newsletter and distribute to all members, ULC Presidents, and other organizations.

If elected, my goals would be to

1. Increase subscribing ULC's to 25
2. Continue to publish reCap newsletter
3. Build strong ties with new ULC's and maintain bonds with existing ULC's
4. Continue to publicize the LCN to the general public

Continuing my service to you would be a great honor.

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born in Northridge, CA and lived there until the age of four. My family moved to Indiana and I resided there for 4 years before moving back to Southern California. I lived in Rowland Heights until my decision to pursue my bachelor's degree at the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB). I currently reside in Santa Barbara. I am one of three girls and have recently added the title 'khalto' to my name.

I am a third year UCSB student pursuing a double major in Communication and Business Economics with an Emphasis in Accounting. I wish to pursue a master's degree in Higher Education. Along with being a full time student, I am currently President of the Lebanese Club at UCSB. Next year I will serve as Senior Advisor to the Lebanese Club.

I also work as a Resident Coordinator for UCSB Apartment and Community Living, where I plan numerous programs every quarter and maintain a focus on graduate and international students. Pursing my passion of diversity and culture, I also serve as an Executive Board Member for the UCSB Multicultural Center and hold the position of Head Multicultural Awareness Chair for the office of Residential Life, where I hold weekly seminars educating residents about various issues of diversity.

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### **Statement of Purpose:**

I wish to serve as your Vice President of Events for the 2009-2010 year. I currently serve on the LCN 09 Convention Committee and do what I can to assist Cal Poly Pomona from a distance in Santa Barbara. My experience observing and actively helping the LCN 09 Convention Committee has allowed me to understand the complete process of planning this great event.

Along with serving on the LCN 09 Convention Committee, my experience as a Vice-President and President of the Lebanese Club, Multicultural Awareness Chair, Resident Assistant and Resident Coordinator has enabled me to become very familiar with the event-planning process. Hosting over fifteen events per year for the last three years, I am extremely knowledgeable about budget planning, utilizing campus resources, and producing a successful event people will enjoy.

As the Vice President of Events, I will take on the responsibility of planning the LCN 10 Convention, which will be held in Santa Barbara. My strategic location will enable me to physically spearhead the convention committee and fulfill action items quickly and efficiently. I also will take on the responsibility of planning other events such as the LCN Fundraiser Dinners and info-sessions. I hope to increase the number of events for the LCN and expand the range of events hosted.

Per LCN Bylaws:

#### **7) Vice President of Events**

The VP of Events shall plan all events relevant to LCN.

7.1 The VP of Events shall ensure that above all, The Annual LCN Convention is carried out every year in the month of March or April.

7.2 The VP of Events shall plan all details relevant to programs and events pending Board approval. This includes but is not limited to: venue selection, scheduling, ticket sales, and logistics.

As Vice President of Events, I will ensure the LCN 10 Convention will be the best yet. I will work to improve past events and introduce new ones. I believe in the LCN mission and hope to promote that mission as Vice President of Events.

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born in Lebanon in 1981. I traveled to the US in 2003 to get my Masters in Electrical Engineering at the University of Maryland in College Park. I graduated in 2004 and I currently work as an IT Director for a Venture Capital fund in the Washington DC area (where I currently live). Aside from my engineering practices, I work with a team of VC investors and entrepreneurs and have gained experience in startup company operations and corporate strategies.

In September 2007, I co-founded the Lebanese Collegiate Network (LCN) along with six talented individuals and friends of mine, and I currently serve on the LCN board as a VP of Information Technology. Under my leadership, I was able to complete the LCN website. Please review my work at [www.mylcn.org](http://www.mylcn.org).

In March 2008, I was re-elected as VP of Information Technology to serve the LCN membership.

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### **Statement of Purpose:**

My engineering background, managerial experience, and entrepreneurial spirit give me the foundation to serve the LCN community and members. I hope to be re-elected as your VP of Information Technology (IT) to lead a well defined IT Committee.

The Information Technology (IT) Committee shall plan, design, deploy, and maintain Information Technology related projects and activities that are essential for the operation of the organization.

- The IT Committee shall create and maintain the LCN website.
- The IT Committee shall create and maintain a database of members registered with the LCN and ensure the availability of such information in a secure fashion.
- The IT Committee shall ensure the ease and security of online communications among the committees.
- The IT Committee shall support the IT needs of all other committees as needed.

Apart from the main duties outlined above, my goal if I get re-elected this year, is to continue improving the LCN website and make the members' online experience worthwhile and rewarding.

I believe I am the most qualified candidate for the LCN VP of IT position. I hope to win your votes so I may continue to serve the members and goals of this organization.

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### **Brief Biography:**

I was born and raised in Lebanon. I am one in a family of four proud Lebanese siblings. I moved to the United States in 2001 after I finished high school from Apostles College in Jounieh with a Mathematics concentration diploma. I earned my Bachelor and Master degrees in Electrical Engineering from Oakland University (OU) in Rochester Michigan in May 2007 and December 2008, respectively. I am planning to continue my higher education towards an MBA after 2009. I have been working at Continental Automotive Engineering since January 2006 in the Instrumentation and Displays Division where we design Instrument Clusters' Programmable Circuit Boards.

I earned several honors and awards including the School of Engineering and Computer Science scholarship for the 2005-06 and 2006-07 academic years for a total of \$5000. I have been an active member of Tau Beta Pi (National Engineering Honor Society), Students for the Advancement of Mathematics, the French Club at OU, and the Future Alumni Network.

I was always active in International, Cultural and Engineering organizations on and off-campus. I founded the Lebanese Club with three good friends at Oakland University during the fall semester of 2006. I served as president for two years and worked with other international organizations to promote diversity and create unique events at OU such as Lebanese Soirées, Middle Eastern Night, CIA info session, and other cultural and informative events. The Lebanese Club by far became one of the most influential organizations on campus and was invited to participate in several discussions concerning student life improvements on campus.

I received several recognitions for my volunteer work at Oakland including the Commuter Involvement Award in April 2008, Student Organization President of the Year Award in April 2007 and International Service Awards in 2004, 2005 and 2008.

I worked with two different teams in the past two years with the Lebanese Club and each officer had their unique talent and view of the Lebanese Club. When the Lebanese Club faced hard times at Oakland, I found all the officers and active members on one side supporting the cause and purpose of the organization and for the benefit of the group. The Lebanese Club was driven by the passion of its leaders and their love for Lebanon. I thank all the current and former club officers at Oakland who have maintained the reputation and success on campus and in the Lebanese American community in Michigan.

The Lebanese Club was recognized for its success and the movement it created on campus. It won the Outstanding Cultural Program Award (for the First Lebanese Night) in April 2008, New Student Organization of the Year Award in April 2007 and was publicized in several websites and magazine articles.





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I hope to serve as your 2009 -10 Vice President of Public Relations on the LCN board.

As Founder of the Lebanese Club at OU, I saw how my decisions impacted the community and I learned to be open to change and understand the value of improving the quality of life. I am self driven and committed to my responsibilities. I am full of energy and carry a passion for my home country. I always look for creative alternatives and new ideas to implement. I strive for the greater good and try to put the good of others first.

As I learned more about the LCN, I realized that it was a dream that became a reality. Other individuals from different states created this great organization. My dream consisted of an organization which unites all University Lebanese Clubs nationwide. Moreover, the LCN was able to establish scholarships and host annual conferences in different locations across the United States. In less than 2 years, the LCN successfully hosted two conventions that displayed commitment and professional work ethic.

I have been a loyal active LCN member. I attended and encouraged others to attend the first Annual Convention. I helped the LCN reach out to the east coast membership particularly in the state of Michigan.

I am very interested in joining the LCN Executive Board and serve as VP of PR. I believe I make a good candidate for the position because of my motivation, skills, career-related experience, involvement in extra-curricular activities and strong academic grades.

Per LCN Bylaws:

6) The VP of Public Relations (PR) shall publicize and promote LCN to the general public.

6.1 The VP of PR shall actively seek contacts in different media outlets.

6.2 The VP of PR shall promptly provide a press release for all events. The VP of PR shall submit all press releases to the Board two days prior to the tentative release date for approval.

6.3 The PR shall seek media presence at specified LCN events with board approval.

I have worked with several organizations and successfully publicized the Lebanese Club of OU to the general public, provided press releases of related events, and communicated with media to be present at several Lebanese Club events. I understand the level of professionalism and communication required for my role if I get elected for LCN VP of PR.

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