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Member Spotlight

Meet Miss Brooke Reis. This delightful young lady is a student at Eastern Kentucky University, studying Occupational Safety and Health. She currently serves as President of EKU's ASSP Louisville Chapter Student Section. This passionate young lady takes great pride in her chosen field of study and in further developing her skills and knowledge.

Brooke is currently employed at CMC as the Safety and Environmental Department Manager and head of Accounts Receivable and Learning Quality. Brooke feels this position and experience has proven to be an invaluable opportunity to enter the safety profession. She enjoys improving safety systems, conducting hazard identifications, communicating with employees, learning the job, and working with local establishments to educate and train employees.



Brooke Reis, EKU Student Section President responses to our questions:

What made you decide to pursue a degree in occupational safety?

Entering university, I knew I wanted a profession where I could serve others while also challenging myself. After switching my major of study a few times, I found my way back to EKU's Occupational Safety and Health program. I realized that this degree was perfect for me in that I could serve others as a career, be excited to learn, challenge myself academically and professionally, and most importantly be a leader by making a difference in the workplace by working with others.

Tell us about your greatest accomplishment in your life and/or career.

I believe my greatest accomplishment in life would be embracing change and experiencing different things. Switching majors throughout university gave me the opportunity to learn new subjects and explore, while also recognizing my strengths and weaknesses, then discovering what I am really passionate about. Entering back into the occupational safety field was a change that I embraced

enthusiastically which has led me to experience my internship in Mississippi, lead the ECU Student Section of ASSP as President, and grow as an individual. I believe it is an accomplishment to always embrace change or growth, personally and professionally, which is now leading me to build my safety career out of state and in new industries.

What advice would you give someone looking to start a career in the safety field? If you are currently a student, what advice would you give someone looking to pursue a degree in occupational safety?

As a current graduating student, the advice I would give someone looking to pursue a degree in occupational safety would be to think about how they want to lead in safety. I would consider the passion for being a leader in safety important in pursuing an education in occupational safety and health. I would also encourage those to be a sponge: take advantage of the educational opportunities and constantly strive to learn more.

Why did you become involved in ASSP?

I became involved in ASSP because of the life-long connections and opportunities to further myself professionally and personally. With ASSP I am able to build relationships with my fellow student members, network with other safety professionals, educate myself more in my field of study, and build my leadership. I am always encouraging fellow OSH students to join ASSP because of the great people involved and the opportunities to grow as a safety professional.

What are your hobbies outside of work?

Outside of work I enjoy hiking and live music! I love hiking at Red River Gorge and seeing my favorite folk musicians play in Lexington, Kentucky.

ASSP News



Much appreciation to the team from STAT for presenting at our October Meeting. Eric Culver and Dale Massey shared real-world knowledge and experience with chapter members providing solid tips on ways to improve safety and security in the workplace.

In November, membership enjoyed a real treat as past-president Wilson Frazier shared Caldwell Tanks program of actively caring for people in the workplace. Wilson shared some impressive statistics in Caldwell's injury reduction rates and overall culture improvement!



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- On the welcome slide, we display your company logo
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- For the remainder of the chapter fiscal year (July through June), we display your company logo on the chapter sponsor's slide.

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