



## Graduate Student Government Service Chair

**Name:** Shelby Emery

**Program:** DNP program

**When did you begin graduate school at Creighton?** Fall 2014

**Why would you be a good candidate for this position?** During undergrad I was in Gamma Phi Beta at Creighton and had the opportunity to be the philanthropy chair one of my years in the sorority. While I did this I created a new service opportunity for our sorority that continued throughout the years. I also study abroad with the Encuentro program. I have a solid understanding of service and what it means to serve others. I have had several discussions and reflections on the meaning of service; I believe that it is not about “helping” people but coming alongside them to learn from them work with them to achieve goals. We must be careful not to see ourselves as saviors in the service roll. I believe that having a solid understanding of service will make me a good candidate for the position.

**What experience or qualifications do you possess that would help you serve in this position?** As discussed above, I have had the experience of philanthropy chair in my sorority and have had many hour in service through the Encuentro study abroad program and time serving beyond that as well.

**List potential goals and ideas for the position:** My goal would be to publicize service opportunities better for the GSG. I have felt over my 4 years in grad school I do not recall many service opportunities that I was aware of. I would like to organize a service event that grad students would be able to take part in.

**Besides graduate coursework, what other time commitments do you have (jobs, organizations, committees, etc.)?** I am a full time RN at Children’s Hospital, I will be completing my final practicum next semester without any didactic courses. This should free me up enough to take on this position. I am also a part of a ministry that serves every other week on Wednesday. I will be joining NAPNAP for pediatric nurse practitioners in the next month so this may take some of my time. I also have two conferences on the agenda for next semester as well as a potential medical service trip from 2/28-3/12.