Council for Emerging and New Statisticians

About CENS

Council for Emerging and New Statisticians (CENS) was formed in 2012 by ENAR's Regional Advisory Board (RAB) in 2012 to help ENAR better address the needs of all students and recent graduates. CENS is composed of 10 graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, or recent graduates, who are ENAR members from academia, government, or private industry. With the help of the RAB Liaison, CENS members collaborate to:

- Bring student/recent graduate concerns to the attention of RAB and ENAR
- Work to help ENAR better serve all students/recent graduates
- Advise and help implement ideas to enhance the benefits of ENAR membership and to increase awareness of the benefits of ENAR membership to students
- Organize a CENS session at each ENAR Spring Meeting
- Assist in planning events that help advance students' and recent graduates' education and careers
- Contribute to the development of ENAR's social media presence

CENS Mission

CENS seeks to advocate for the needs and concerns of students and recent graduates in collaboration with ENAR's Regional Advisory Board. Through annual events at the ENAR Spring Meeting, CENS strives to promote the benefits of participating in the ENAR community, support the advancement of students and recent graduates, and facilitate stronger connections within the statistical community.

Join CENS

We are actively recruiting new members! Each member is appointed to a 2-year term. Within CENS, three or four people are chosen to participate in the steering committee, which reports to the RAB chair. Members of the steering committee will serve an additional year on CENS. CENS members will meet in person yearly at the ENAR Spring Meeting and participate in conference calls throughout the year to plan events and address issues as they arise. If you are interested in joining CENS, please email enar.cens@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

- **CENS Session at ENAR 2021:** Oh, The Places You Could Go: Surprising Careers in Statistics and Data Science!
  Tuesday, March 16, 2021 from 9:00 AM – 10:45 AM EST
  There is a large amount of diversity in job opportunities and career trajectories available for statisticians both inside and outside the categories of academia, industry, and government. Many of these options may not be on the radar of early-career statisticians, and movement within or between organizations can be challenging. In this panel discussion, we invite panelists from diverse and unique career backgrounds to share unexpected challenges, opportunities, and career changes they experienced over the course of their professional trajectories. Topics for discussion include how panelists learned about and prepared for unexpected job opportunities, how they translate professional and communication skills between different roles, how they approach working with collaborators with different functional expertise, and how they impact science, expand influence, and establish leadership as a statistician or data scientist in their respective organizations. Drawing on the experience of panelists from diverse career backgrounds, attendees will be better equipped to navigate the professional landscape and succeed in a wide range of statistical careers well-suited to their interests.
- **CENS Networking Event at ENAR 2021**
  Tuesday, March 16, 2021 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM EST
  Join us for this virtual networking event hosted by ENAR CENS! This is an opportunity for everyone, especially

students and recent graduates, to virtually connect during ENAR. There will be several breakout rooms for smaller group conversations. Within each breakout room, a CENS member will lead the discussion through brief introductions, structured conversation prompts, and an interactive activity. Also don't miss your chance to win fabulous prizes during our activity! Wait no more! Please indicate your participation when you register for ENAR or if you already registered and want to attend this event, contact the office at enar@enar.org.

Current CENS Members
Donnie Hebert – EMMES
Alessandra Valcarcel – University of Pennsylvania
Jing Li – Indiana University
Fan Li – Duke
Alex Kaizer – University of Colorado
Will Eagan – Purdue
Nancy Murray – Emory
Bryan Blette – University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Hannah Weeks – Vanderbilt
Emily Zabor – Cleveland Clinic

Contact Info
If anyone has any questions or comments for CENS, please contact us at enar.cens@gmail.com. Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook and join our LinkedIn group.