Kari Woodrum

Pre-Award Research Administrator, Western Illinois University

Personal Statement

I am excited to apply for the NCURA Region IV Member at Large board position. With three years of experience in research administration, I am eager to contribute to the continued growth and success of Region IV. My commitment to professional development and fostering collaboration within the research community drives my desire to serve. I believe my proactive approach, dedication to service, and passion for advancing the field make me a strong candidate for this role. I look forward to the opportunity to support our region's initiatives and engage with members to promote a vibrant and inclusive NCURA community.

NCURA Activities

- Authored one published article for the NCURA magazine and co-authored two articles for the NCURA periodical (one forthcoming).
- Region IV Mentoring Our Own (MOO) program Mentee.
- Presented one session at the 2023 NCURA Region IV Meeting.
- Presented two sessions at the 2024 NCURA PRA Annual Spring Meeting.
- Volunteered at the 2024 PRA Spring Meeting and the Region IV Spring 2024 Meeting.

Other Professional Activities

- Active participant in professional development and networking opportunities within the research administration field.
- Serve on two internal grant boards at Western Illinois University.

Professional Positions Held

• Pre-Award Research Administrator, Western Illinois University (Current Role)

Skills and Strengths

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Comfortable presenting in front of audiences and working with individuals from diverse backgrounds.
- Proven ability to enhance and expand processes within research administration.

Education

- Master of Science in Gerontology
- Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences & Disorders