



Society of Counseling Psychology  
Division 17, American Psychological Association  
**Section on Ethnic and Racial Diversity (SERD)**  
<http://www.div17.org/SERD>

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Dear SERD Members,

I am pleased to inform you that we are looking for nominations to fill the SERD Chair position.

Once we receive nominations, nominees will be on the election ballot for these positions. If elected, the term for these positions begins September 1, 2011 and ends August 31, 2014. More specifically, Chair-Elect – year-1, Chair – year-2, and past-chair year-3. Below is a brief description of the responsibilities for the SERD chair position.

**SERD Chair:** The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Section and the Governing Board. Other responsibilities of the Chairperson shall include, but are not limited to, the following: preside at and prepare the agenda for all meetings; have one vote in all meetings; exercise general supervision of the affairs of the Section; delegate responsibility for special projects or tasks not specifically assigned in the Bylaws; articulate and advocate the Section's position to others; and prepare an annual budget with the Treasurer.

Please see the Division 17 Website ([www.div17.org](http://www.div17.org)) for details about the Division 17 and the SERD Website (<http://www.div17.org/SERD>) for details about SERD.

Self-nominations are encouraged. Nominees are invited to submit a biographical sketch or position statement on the issues germane to SERD's mission or APA or a combination biography and position statement of **no more than 125 words**. The statement will be linked to the ballot. I encourage you to submit your statement via email to me at [ecward@wisc.edu](mailto:ecward@wisc.edu). Please email me your statement as soon as possible. All candidates will be notified of the election results as soon as they are completed.

If you have any questions concerning the election process, feel free to contact me Earlise Ward at [ecward@wisc.edu](mailto:ecward@wisc.edu) or Dr. Munyi Shea at [mshea3@calstatela.edu](mailto:mshea3@calstatela.edu). We truly hope that you will consider taking a leadership role in SERD. We thank you in advance for your consideration and time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Earlise C. Ward, Ph.D.'.

Earlise Ward, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison, SERD Past Chair

Munyi Shea, Ph.D., California State University, Los Angeles. SERD Secretary