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What do you enjoy most about being an FMA chapter?

What I enjoy most about being an FMA chapter is being able to help guide and motivate other students through their college careers. We take pride in being inclusive in our chapter and are more than happy to help those who approach us.

How does your FMA chapter benefit the students at Temple University?

Our goal for Temple University's FMA Chapter is to get students to become comfortable with getting involved and working towards their professional goals. We bring in multiple speakers from top companies in the finance industry, host networking events for members to meet the officers, and fundraising events.

What local chapter event are you most excited about this year?

I am excited to organize multiple fundraising and volunteering events. Our goal for the fundraising events is to donate all proceeds to charity. Our next fundraiser will donate the proceeds to St. Jude Children's Hospital. We also have great opportunities to hear from professionals in the financial services industry from well-known corporate names such as Target, J.P Morgan, Johnson & Johnson, and more.

Share your best advice for running a successful chapter.

To run a successful chapter, you need to be open to different ideas from your officers and members. Our specific mission is to try and give our students the most well-rounded learning experience in all facets of the financial services industries. The way to do that comes from taking input from what our members want to learn about and incorporate different learning activities from the information they provide, such as professional development workshops, networking events, and hearing from professional speakers. My final advice for running a successful chapter is having a purpose and working on behalf of the students in your organization.