

Student Chapters



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ABOUT DIA AND OUR STUDENT CHAPTERS

DIA is a global organization driven by life sciences and healthcare professionals, uniting experts worldwide to address global and local challenges in the field. Initially formed in response to the Thalidomide drug controversy, our founders, a group of 30 pharmaceutical professionals, writers, and academics, established a platform for global collaboration to address healthcare threats to patients.

Today, DIA connects professionals from 80 countries through its membership network, educational offerings, and professional development opportunities. The aim is to foster collaboration that leads to improved policies, regulations, scientific research, development, and better patient outcomes worldwide.

Student Chapters are self-enabling organizations under DIA's guidance, that consist of at least five DIA student members, a faculty advisor, and a hosting institution. They promote DIA affiliation and serve the needs of students for multidisciplinary networking and information resources. If your school does not have a student chapter, you can establish one!

STUDENT LED EVENTS

Student Chapters host events online and on campus to provide students opportunities to meet and learn from industry professionals and to engage with other students while building their professional network.

ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

The Annual Newsletter highlights each Chapter and its president, and shares information about their progress and most impactful events throughout the past year.

DIA STUDENT CASE COMPETITION

- Each year, DIA will issue one or more specific challenges to which students are invited to respond.
- The competition will be judged by a committee of DIA stakeholders and Fellows, who include our most experienced and engaged members that encompass a broad range of expertise.
- Finalists and winners will have the opportunity for very high visibility and engagement at the [Global Annual Meeting](#) which typically draws an audience of several thousand attendees in person, with broad representation from industry and thought leaders in the life sciences research and development space.
- Representatives from each team of finalists will be given an opportunity to present their work at DIA's Global Annual Meeting in June 2025 (Washington, D.C.), with the award presented to the winning team at that time.
- Finalists will also have a dedicated opportunity to meet and discuss their proposal further with leaders from DIA, bio-pharmaceutical and healthcare product companies, CROs, and other related organizations, to increase their exposure to decision makers in the field while also learning more about future career pathways.

AT A GLANCE

BENEFITS OF JOINING DIA

- DIA Global Publishing Opportunities
- Networking Opportunities
- CV/Cover Letter Review
- DIA Case Competition
- Mentorship Program
- Reduced Membership & Event Fees
- Monthly Webinars

Drug Information Association

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STUDENT BENEFITS

DIA offers student discounts for our global meetings and conferences. These events, happening all year round, tackle a wide array of topics that shape the life sciences R&D industry.

Poster Competitions

- Some of our meetings feature poster competitions, providing a platform for students to share their innovative research and ideas. If picked, you'll have the chance to interact with your peers, showcase your work, and potentially win awards. To learn more about our current and upcoming meetings that include poster sessions, please visit [DIA's abstract information page](#).

Training

- Numerous DIA meetings incorporate training courses, providing insights on critical healthcare issues.

Professional Development

- Our Annual Meeting, along with several others, offer professional development tracks aimed at supporting your career growth. Stay informed about recent research and challenges in the healthcare industry that pique your interest.

Networking

- DIA is a hub for networking opportunities, enabling you to connect with professionals and fellow students in your area. As a DIA member, you can engage with individuals from all healthcare sectors and career stages. These connections can be established at our meetings, online networking events, student gatherings, or virtually at any time through [DIA Communities](#). These platforms provide a strong foundation for expanding your network, finding mentors, and connecting with future colleagues.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Student Chapters are self-enabling organizations that operate under a charter and guidelines delineated by DIA to ensure growth and sustainability.

A Student Chapter is comprised of a group of at least five (5) DIA student members, a Student Chapter Advisor (faculty member), and a Hosting Institution whose purpose is to promote an affiliation with DIA and serve the needs of students for multidisciplinary networking and information exchange.

If your school doesn't have a student chapter, you can start your own! Email students@DIAglobal.org for more information or to complete our application via Google Forms.

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