



Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Inc.

Omar De Leon

Candidate for Region VII Regional Student Representative



My name is Omar De Leon and I announce to you my candidacy for Region 7 Regional Student Representative 2009-2010. I was born in Panama City, Panama but have lived in several countries including Aruba, Grand Cayman, Dominican Republic, and the United States in Miami, Florida. I am a junior at the University of Miami where I am currently pursuing a Dual Degree in Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering through the Honors Program. My involvement and commitment in SHPE began my freshman year and has allowed me to grow and develop as a young Hispanic engineer. Through SHPE I have been able to acquire experiences ranging from leading an organization, attending conferences and workshops, volunteering at community outreach events, leadership development programs and professional sessions. I want to take from my experience and work to make our region stronger and more united and I will strive to improve the overall SHPE experience of every student in Region 7!

LeaderSHPE Experience

- Rookie of the Semester Spring 2007
- Member of the Semester Fall 2007
- Vice-President of External Affairs 2007-2008
- Conference Coordinator 2008-2009
- LeaderSHPE Region 7 2008-2009

In September 2008, I was one of 15 students chosen to be a part of LeaderSHPE, a program designed to develop members into SHPE Regional and National Leaders. I believe I was chosen to be in LeaderSHPE because they saw my passion and leadership to make SHPE a better organization. At the 2008 SHPE Conference in Phoenix, I was recognized for *LeaderSHPE Outstanding Achievement* for my involvement in preparing students for conference from not only my chapter, but SHPE chapters all over the country.

Goals for Our Region

CitizenSHPE: I will support community outreach programs such as Advancing Careers in Engineering (ACE) and SHPE Jr. Chapters.

Communication: I will institute better communication throughout the region including an updated regional website.

FellowSHPE: I will encourage and facilitate intraregional participation and cooperation with events and activities.

LeaderSHPE: I will promote leadership by working closely with LeaderSHPEs and Chapter Leaders and also recognize chapters and individuals for their efforts.

MemberSHPE: I will promote the increase of our membership by working with chapters early on to recruit freshmen.

ScholarSHPE: I will encourage chapter involvement in the GPA Challenge and better communicate the importance of scholarship.

I humbly hope that you, as leaders of your chapters and of our region, elect me as your Regional Student Representative and join me in improving our region through the goals I have set forth. I believe that by working together, we can truly offer our members the best SHPE experience possible and bring forth recognition to Region 7 as the best SHPE region, in the nation!

¡Con La Región 7 Nadie Se Mete!