

Response from Daniel Ahn to the Diversity Questionnaire:

“I was asked to run for Elected Director by the nomination committee and HAA, having recently completed a term as an HAA Director for Clubs and SIGs in Northern CA, from 2021-2024. During my term, I worked to increase and institutionalize regional collaboration amongst the various clubs in Northern CA. Some of the talks and initiatives I supported to promote collaboration and awareness include:

- Interclub Allyship talks re rising Asian Hate
- Interclub Anti-semitism discussions
- Regional talks regarding the implications of the Supreme Court affirmative action case (while it was being decided) (As an aside, I wrote a position and communication brief for the then HAA President to discuss the broader implications of a decision to end affirmative action on other programs, such as corporate DEI programs, as those corporate programs were vital to achieving socio-economic advancement for minorities)
- Upcoming this April, I have organized a region-wide inter-club talk for Siri Chilazi to discuss her research about the fair treatment of women in the workplace.
- Finally, on my own initiative, I spent the past 3 years creating and implementing a mentoring program for Harvard College students interested in business to connect with HBS students through a first of a kind partnership with the Mignone Center and HBS Student affairs. A pilot of this new program called "Business Unfiltered" was successfully launched this past February. The program is primarily intended for College students whose parents are not well connected business people, but still interested in a business career to get current insights on career paths after college. Hopefully, this One Harvard initiative will "level the playing field" a bit between the students from privileged backgrounds and those who are not.”