

**Candidate Statement for  
Associate Director of Northwest Region**

**Name:** Evan M. Hill

**Present Position:** Professor of Psychology

**Organization:** University of Nebraska at Kearney

**Chapter Affiliate:** University of Nebraska at Kearney

**Biography:** Evan M. Hill received his B.S. ('06) in Psychology from Oklahoma State University, a M.A. ('09) in Psychology (specializing in Auditory Neuroscience) from the University of Toledo, and Ph.D. ('11) in Psychology from the University of Toledo. He is currently Professor of Psychology in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK). Prior to joining UNK in 2014, he was an adjunct faculty member at the University of Toledo ('12-'14). His areas of research interest include infrasonic sensitivity in birds, the evolution of vertebrate hearing abilities, behavioral techniques for evaluating sensory abilities in non-humans, automation of behavioral data collection, and strategies for effectively teaching students about behavioral neuroscience and psychopharmacology topics. In addition to his involvement in Sigma Xi, he serves as the Associate Internet Editor for the Society for the Teaching of Psychology (American Psychological Association, Division 2) and supports his local institution as a member of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and Chair of the Psychology Department.

**Sigma Xi and me.** I was first introduced to Sigma Xi in 2014 upon joining the faculty at the University of Nebraska at Kearney through their Friday "Science Club" events that were held regularly through the summer months. These were largely informal social events that served as an opportunity for faculty in various departments to confer about current work, recent research discoveries, and share research interests and ideas. This welcoming environment motivated my interest in the organization, and I became a Full Member shortly afterward in the spring of 2015. In my decade as a member since when, I have encouraged both students and faculty to join our organization. I have served in several different roles within our local chapter, including as a departmental representative, chapter secretary, and chapter president ('18-'23). Currently, I serve as the Psychology Department Representative on our local chapter executive committee and as the Associate Director of the Northwest Region.