Laura Kate Sparks

Goals
Laura Kate Sparks is a junior from Midland, Texas. This past semester she has had the opportunity to serve as the PAID Career Fair Officer. She has greatly enjoyed the friendships created with the other officers, members, faculty, and industry partners. Laura Kate is running for president because of her pure love for the organization, but more importantly, the people in the organization. If elected, she looks forward to welcoming all members into PAID and encouraging students to become involved and form strong bonds with their peers and recruiters. She strives to be an approachable and reliable resource for students. As president, Laura Kate hopes to lead PAID with a smile.

Path to ID
When applying to Texas A&M, Laura Kate was torn between studying business or engineering. After being accepted into the College of Engineering, she soon realized following her family’s footsteps of Petroleum Engineering was not the perfect fit for her. Her mother recommended Industrial Distribution because it is the perfect hybrid of business and engineering. Laura Kate decided to take IDIS 240 with Evan Vestal during the spring of her freshman year and fell in love with the program. Not only was the material intriguing, but the people were lively and fun. She originally joined PAID in order to attend the career fair, but was encouraged by her friend, Hudson Neuhoff, to become more involved. PAID brought Laura Kate close friendships and exposure to networking and connecting with companies in a very short span of time. Being part of this organization has helped her develop as a professional and a person in remarkable ways and she would love to impart that knowledge to others as well.

Other Interests
Along with PAID, Laura Kate is an active member of her sorority, Chi Omega, where she currently serves as Transfer Chair. She is a member at Restoration Church in Bryan. She spent this past summer studying abroad in Barcelona, Spain. She has a passion for volunteering with special-needs students through the Young Life Capernaum ministry. LK enjoys all things outdoors such as ripsticking, tennis, pickleball, and jumping on the trampoline. She is unsure where she will be interning in the upcoming summer.