


**City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment**

Name: Margaret Babayan		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: Seattle, WA	98105	Contact Phone No.: N/A
Appointed to: Seattle Human Rights Commission		Date of Appointment: March 9, 2015
Authority (Ord., Res.): 118392		Term of Office: From: Confirmation To: 7/22/15
Background: Margaret Babayan is a recent University of Washington graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Public Health. She believes in health equity, and is passionate about improving the social determinants of health so that all people can realize their basic human rights. Having heard stories about the Armenian Genocide and the poverty her parents left behind in the Soviet Union, Margaret grew up trying to make sense of the histories which brought her family to the US. She realized that those stories were not bound by borders or to the pages of history books, and that rights abuses persist everywhere. Margaret began advocating for human rights as a high school student when she joined Amnesty International. She went on to work as a statewide Student Activist Coordinator with Amnesty International, inspiring young activists to mobilize around human rights issues like she did. Margaret previously worked with the Commission as an intern, and is thrilled to continue advancing human rights and health equity as a Commissioner.		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment: Mayor Edward B. Murray

Margaret Babayan

Education

University of Washington (Seattle, WA) Interdisciplinary Honors Program	Sept. 2011 – Mar. 2015
Bachelor of Science in Public Health, departmental honors candidate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cumulative GPA: 3.95/4.00Mary Gates Honors Scholar	
<i>Study Abroad:</i> "Social Justice & NGO Activism" in Bangalore, India	Sept. 2011 – Jun. 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Class publication: <i>T.I.P.S. to Study Abroad: Simple Letters for Complex Engagement</i>	Jul. 2013 – Aug. 2013 published, Apr. 2014

Professional and Leadership Experience

Center for Learning and Undergraduate Enrichment Writing Center (CLUE WC)

<i>Writing Advisor</i>	Jun. 2014 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Evaluate student writing and work with students to improve writing skills in personalized 45 min. sessionsWork with English Language Learners (ELL) to better students' English communication skillsLead skills-based workshops on writing and professional development (30+ attendees)	

Seattle Human Rights Commission (SHRC)

<i>Intern</i>	Jan. 2014 – Jun. 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted research on water quality, environmental health, and the human right to subsistenceWrote educational materials, resolutions, and letters to stakeholders on behalf of SHRCOrganized an expert panel to educate the public on fish consumption, health, and human rights (60+ attendees)	

Amnesty International USA (AIUSA)

<i>Washington State Student Activist Coordinator</i>	Jun. 2013 – Jun. 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Located areas for growth and collaborated with Western Regional Field Organizer to build strong chaptersTrained and mobilized student groups on human rights campaigns, lobby opportunities, and actionsCarried out a key role in implementing components of AIUSA's Strategic Plan	

President of Amnesty International at the University of Washington

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Planned group logistics and facilitated weekly meetingsCo-organized educational events on how to take action for human rights issuesReceived Amnesty International USA Youth Activist Award for role	Sept. 2012 – Jun. 2013 Dec. 2012
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Disorientation UW

<i>Co-Founder and Co-Organizer</i>	Jun. 2013 – Jun. 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Collaborated with students, faculty, and community to organize a social justice-based supplement to orientationCo-organized rallies for custodial rights (50+ attendees) and provided ongoing student support to UW custodiansWork and interview featured in cover story titled "Telling the Whole Story" in <i>The Daily</i>	Sept. 25 th , 2013

Associated Students of the University of Washington Student Health Consortium (ASUW SHC)

<i>Intern</i>	Sept. 2012 – Jun. 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Assisted Consortium Director in programing, administration, and outreach on campus health issuesCo-organized "Everybody, Every Body Fashion and Art Show" with 600+ guests, 150+ models, 25 student artistsProcured items as Art Procurement Lead for gallery display on body image for fashion show	

Research

Harborview Injury Prevention & Research Center (HIPRC)

<i>Research Assistant</i>	Jan. 2014 – Mar. 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Collected data on pedestrian behavior for "Step Smart" safety campaignConducted research on the efficacy of public health campaignsMade evidence-based recommendations on campaign improvement to UW Department of Transportation and HIPRC	

Foreign Language

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- Russian: minimum professional proficiency in written and verbal communication

Seattle Human Rights Commission

March, 2015

- 15 members, confirmed by City Council, who serve a term of 2-years:
 - 7 appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council
 - 7 appointed by City Council
 - 1 appointed by the Commission, confirmed by City Council
- 1 Get Engaged Member, confirmed by City Council who serves a single term of 1-year

D	G	Position #	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
1	F	1	Amy Huang	12/14/14	07-22-16	1 st		Mayor
6	F	7	Sarah Bishop	8/4/14	07-22-16	1 st	Vice-Chair	Mayor
1	M	3	Rich Stolz	5/6/13	07-22-16	2 nd		Mayor
1	F	2	Margaret Babayan	3/9/2015	07-22-15	1 st		Mayor
6	F	5	Ashley Miller	3/9/2015	07-22-16	1 st		Mayor
2	M	6	Ken Nsimbi	12/14/14	07-22-15	1 st		Mayor
2	F	4	Edlira Kuka	3/9/2015	07-22-15	1 st		Mayor
		8	Vacant		07-22-16			City Council
6	M	9	Alex Becker	2/10/14	07-22-16	1 st		City Council
6	F	10	Danielle Wallace	12/14/14	07-22-16	1 st		City Council
4	F	14	Ethel Branch	09-30-13	07-22-15	1 st	Chair	City Council
6	F	11	Sarah Lippek	12/14/14	07-22-15	1 st		City Council
3	F	12	Alejandra Gonza	2/10/14	07-22-15	2 nd	Secretary	City Council
6	F	13	Lara Diaconu	12/14/14	07-22-15	1 st		City Council
2	M	15	Jason Poydras	2/10/14	07-22-16	1 st		Commission
2	F	16	Juliana Tesfu	9/8/14	09-30-15		Get Engaged	Mayor

Diversity

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic Latin@	(4) Native-American	(5) Other	(6) Caucasian
Council	1	5	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	4
Commission	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mayor	2	5	0	4	3	1	0	0	0	2
Get Engaged	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	4	11	1	9	3	4	1	1	0	6