



# Grand Rapids Section

## The American Society for Quality (ASQ) Grand Rapids Forms Student Branch at Ferris State University

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On February 5, 2009, the Board of Directors of the American Society for Quality (ASQ) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin voted to approve and officially recognize the formation of the ***Ferris State Grand Rapids Student Branch of ASQ*** at Ferris State University (FSU) in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Student branches of ASQ make it possible for students to use and grow talents through quality-related student activities. Involvement in these organizations helps build career and personal skills that help students long after they graduate from college.

Don Brecken, Chair of ASQ Grand Rapids Section 1001 (sponsoring section) and faculty counselor for the new student branch credits much of this student branch formation to one of his former students, Nathan Murley. "Murley has made things happen with only a minimal amount of direction," according to Brecken.

Brecken also credits Dawn Shavey, Student Services Supervisor (FSU-GR), for navigating through the many University requirements to get the student branch officially recognized by FSU as a Registered Student Organization (RSO).

Heading up the ***Ferris State Grand Rapids Student Branch of ASQ*** is a talented and interchangeable cast of student leaders, including:

Nathan Murley, Student Branch Chair  
June Wycoff, Student Branch Vice Chair  
Kellie Colosky, Student Branch Treasurer  
Linda Jolliff, Student Branch Secretary  
Nicole Perdue, Student Branch Programs Chair

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