



WHO: Rebecca Piner, fourth-year public relations major

WHAT: Team Leader for the Office of New Student Orientation

WHERE: Columbia, South Carolina



In what will be her last summer before graduation, Piner says she is excited to lead the university's new student orientation leaders. Additionally, she will be able to use some of the skills she's acquired working with the Scholastic Press office, such as event planning for the SIPA auction and InDesign and Photoshop to create promotional materials.

Piner will also be able to use these skills as Team Leader going in to her internship with Gamecock Athletics in the fall, which she says will influence her decision on working in that industry upon graduation. Her goal for her last year working in the Scholastic Press office is setting a new SIPA Auction record.

The summer is one of the best times for productivity for scholastic journalists, says Piner. Whether it's attending the CJI

Workshop in June or working with design and editing programs, Piner says it's the best time for creativity.

"If [students] make layouts and play around with different features, they will have a bank of ideas for the school year when they are blanking on a good way to present something," said Piner in an email interview. "Playing around with InDesign and Photoshop with no pressures of deadlines can help [students] learn the programs more thoroughly and have a resource for the school year."