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Sigma Chapter Members Attend the 37th Annual ISCEBS Symposium in Boston, MA

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From Sunday, August 26, 2018 to Wednesday, August 29, 2018, two Sigma Chapter Members attended the **37th Annual International Society of Certified Employee Benefits Specialists (ISCEBS) Symposium** in Boston, Massachusetts. **Varun Sivakumar (Fox, Class of 2020)** and **Matthew Manzo (Fox, Class of 2019)** represented Temple University at the Symposium. Students from the following universities also attended: Appalachian State University, Florida State University, and Dalhousie University. This year's Symposium was the first time that students were given the opportunity to attend.

The Symposium is one of the largest gatherings of credentialed benefit professionals in the country. Attendees represent corporations, consulting firms, health care organizations, hospitals, banks, insurance companies, investment and administration firms, jointly trusted and public employee benefit plans, law firms and other organizations involved with employee benefits. Featured Keynote Speakers came from all over North America, including Pennsylvania, Washington DC and Toronto.



Matthew Manzo and Varun Sivakumar

The students attended topic-based sessions, networked with industry professionals, and also attended social events. Some of the topics discussed during the ISCEBS Symposium included:

- * Five Things to Ask Your Health Plan That You're Not Already
 - * Target-Date Funds: More Than Meets the Eye
- * Legalization of Marijuana | Effect on Health & Welfare Plans
 - * The Blueprint for Successful Diabetes Management
- * Pharmacogenetics and the Value of Personalized Medication Management
 - * Financial Wellness Leadership
 - * Disaster Preparedness for Benefits and HR
- * How to Uncover Symptoms of Sexual Harassment in Your Organization
 - * Capital Accumulation Plans: The Past, Present and Future
 - * Disability Management Audit
 - * The Forgotten "T" in LGBT Benefits
 - * The Medicalization of Unhappiness
 - * Disability Management Audit
- * Designing and Implementing a Student Loan Assistance Benefit