

Candidate Statement

Name: Kaili Morris
Chapter: Kaiserslautern
Position: Chair
Gender: Female



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I am Kaili, a 26-year-old born and raised in Western New York. I have lived in Germany for three years. Somewhere in my young life, maybe when I learned the value of community, maybe in my high school civics class, I developed a deep sense of civic responsibility, and admiration for the way small groups of like-minded people have been able to change the way the world works. I have a B.A. in Anthropology, a Masters of Public Policy and Nonprofit Management as well as experience organizing, canvassing, and fundraising.

I have been a member of Democrats Abroad since early 2020 and since joining, I have seen a well of potential.

The Kaiserslautern Chapter spans from the western border neighboring Luxembourg all the way across Rheinland Pfalz. While it looks small on a map compared to other chapters it has the highest concentration of Americans living abroad. We are students, teachers, parents to future American voters, business owners, and retirees. As chapter chair I would like to reach out to these people. Both to help them vote in future elections and ask them to contribute to our ever-diversifying community.

I am eager to learn how we can engage the 50,000 American Military members living in our community and continue a path toward record overseas voter turnout. I have come to know the community I live in well and I have also been fortunate to build a small group of American friends- I am excited to see this group grow.

In the past year membership in Saarland has doubled, we have held monthly online meet ups and we have safely organized in person GOTV actions. I am invested in keeping up this momentum, I am excited about the possibility to offer more monthly meetings that include everything from guest speakers, to group volunteer activities (think trash clean up days, group picnics, fundraising initiatives, and trivia nights).

In 2021 we are supposed to “Build Back Better”-I think that for DAG and the Kaiserslautern chapter that means building stronger relationships between caucuses and chapters as well as other chapters; building our community; uniting the new Saarland members; and facilitating more opportunities for active member participation.

I hope I can count on you for a vote for Kaiserslautern Chapter Chair.