



## BIOGRAPHY

### **ABIGAIL ROBBINS**



**Abigail Robbins** serves as the 2025 President of The Science Coalition (TSC). She has served on the TSC Board of Directors since 2023, including as Vice President. Abigail's priorities include sustaining and increasing federal investment by communicating the importance of federally funded scientific research as a cornerstone of American competitiveness.

In her capacity as Assistant Director of Legislative Affairs for Northeastern University (NU), Abigail liaises between NU and government entities, including Capitol Hill, the executive branch, and foreign embassies. Among her favorite aspects of her job is managing NU's appropriations portfolio. This includes

advocating for impactful federally funded research via defense programmatic increases and topline additions for various agencies, such as the U.S. Department of Defense, National Science Foundation, and U.S. Department of State.

Previously, Abigail served as Senior Associate for Governmental Affairs at the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. She began her career in D.C. as a Legislative Intern to Senate Pro Tempore and Appropriations Committee Chairman Senator Patrick Leahy. Abigail holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Vermont and an M.P.S. in Legislative Affairs from The George Washington University. She is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Law and Policy at Northeastern University. Abigail's research seeks to identify what factors influence federal funding levels for defense research to universities and is motivated to maximize the efficiency of existing partnerships with university talent to bridge government-identified technological expertise gaps in support of national security.