Student Voter Guide

2020

Election and Candidate Information for Student Senate, Clubs & Event Board, Constitutional Amendments, and Districtwide Student Trustee

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Introduction

About Student Elections

The Los Rios Community College District and its four colleges – American River, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake, and Sacramento City – host student elections each spring. Students are encouraged to learn more, run for a position, attend candidate forums, and vote.

Get Involved

Our colleges are always looking for students interested in leadership development. If you are open to learning and working with others, then consider joining your college’s student association.

How to Vote

There are no voting stations on campus. Students will be able to vote from any computer or mobile device with internet access on April 21 and April 22, from 5:00 am to 11:30 pm each day. For more information please visit: studentelections.losrios.edu.

To cast your vote:

1. Go to your eServices account.
2. Click on the Elections & Surveys tab.
3. Read the Voter Guide. The guide includes each candidate’s Statement of Intent that includes their interest in serving in a specific position, issues or concerns they plan to address while in the position, and their leadership qualifications. The statements are presented without grammatical edits.
4. Proceed to the Voting Site.
5. Vote!

Why You Should Vote

Voting in the student elections is a privilege available only to Los Rios students who are currently enrolled. Voting only takes a few minutes of your time, and elected student leaders make lasting changes to the campus environment and student experience.
Role of the Student Association

The student association is the official organization that represents students and consists of the Clubs and Events Board (CAEB) and Student Senate. Student leaders from each board are committed to advocating for students' rights, improving the campus culture, and developing transferable leadership skills. Specifically, the CAEB functions to promote student involvement and activities, while the Student Senate functions to advocate for the common interests of students.

The student trustee provides his/her perspective to ensure that students are served through service on the District's Board of Trustees. For more information, please see the Student Trustee Handbook.
American River College

Student Senate Candidates

ASB Student Senate President

Naomi Dasari

My vision for the Student Senate is one of honesty, dedication, organization and accountability. I believe in accountability. Each member of the Senate will be expected to serve the ARC students. I understand that the needs of the community must come before my own or others personal ambitions.

Mykyta Medvediev

Homelessness and food insecurity are big problems on our campus and I will work towards the solution to these problems. I have considerable student senate experience and I can identify the problems that handicap our students and their paths to success. I will succeed in eliminating these problems.

ASB Student Senate Vice President

Ramses Galvez

I would be available for students, make time for them to chat, hear their problems and help them in any way I can. I will keep working on supporting AB540 students to serve on campus and get rewarded to motivate them. I will keep working hard to have a better food system on campus and have changes we’ve been fighting for.

Katie Waterhouse

I will work hard to make this campus a safe space for all, where diversity is celebrated. I will be an advocate for all students, and make sure that everyone’s voices are heard. I plan to make this campus greener to reduce our carbon footprint.

Reed Waters

My primary objective as Vice President will be to help align the student body’s goals and core values with the pursuits of Student Government and to foster participation on the campus and community to enrich our student experience.
Sasha Zabegalin

Hello, I am Sasha Zabegalin. Some of you may know me as your classmate, friend, tutor or co-worker. But now I am running to be your voice and representative on campus. Our campus deserves to be affordable for all of us, accessible for all of us, and alleviating for all of us.

ASB Student Senate Director of Finance

Amarjit Singh

I am persistent and committed to advocate free education for students. I will take massive action to ensure students a safer and more proactive campus. I plan to bring more companies more internships to campus.

ASB Student Senate Senators (Up to 15 Positions Total)

Afsaneh Aflaki

As a student senator, I plan to collaborate and work with all senators, departments and administrators to create more internships opportunities, both on and off campus, for students of all majors. As someone who has been homeless and fortunate enough to get out of homelessness, I plan to advocate and work toward improving the quality of life for low income students. Having served as an officer of the Phi Theta Kappa, I plan to bring the same selfless and serving attitude to the Student Senate at American River College.

Stacey Burrows

Stacey (they/them) led an ARC team to NASA in 2018 as President of Astro Club and is leading an ARC team to apply to NASA in 2021 as President of Research Club. When campus re-opens: Promote Sunday hours at ARC Library and revitalize the pond between Bio and Chem by fostering club/class projects.

Rachael Bustos-Liborio

My name is Rachael Bustos-Liborio, I am a Pre-Med student and I am soon to complete my first year as a college student. My ultimate goal as a Senator is to increase student interest and actually execute the ideas that are brought up to attention. My passion and desire makes me a great candidate and I believe that as a Senator in the Student Body we can truly make our community college feel a lot more like a community.

Oscar Flores

My name is Oscar (he/him), I am 27 years old, and I was born in Mexico. I am currently completing my general education to be able to transfer to a 4 year university. I began to study in American River College when I was 24 years old, and at the beginning as a second language speaker, it was really hard for me to adapt to take classes in English. However, I have to recognize that my school provided me a great environment that made
me feel part of a safe, and diverse community. There are professors, counselors, and classmates that come from different places, have different gender identities, sexual preferences, and religions, etc. I really feel thankful to be part of this community. That’s why I want to run for senator, and be part of the student body. Making everybody part of every decision that might affect or help our community, it’s my main goal.

Beheshta Formul

I am a student in the fourth semester of college. I have already completed my Social Science degree and I am now focusing on educating myself in Political Science and International Studies. I am aware of the social, cultural and economic differences between individuals and groups of people and I respect these differences. I am also a firm supporter of equality for all and strictly against discrimination on the basis of these social, cultural and economic factors. American River College has a diversity of students and as a senator, I will try to include the voice of each and every student in the decision making processes at ASB.

David Lee

I will advocate for changes like extending library days and hours to allow students reach full success.

Marykay Maduike

I’m Marykay Maduike, a Biotech major. I have had experiences serving students as a Student Ambassador (SAGE) and TRIO STEM Peer mentor. I continue to serve students from diverse backgrounds and majors. I want to take my service to the next level by running for student senate. I will use my platform to create projects that will benefit all students. Thank you.

Amy Nguyen

I want to run for Student Senate because I want to push my limits in helping to represent the students here at American River. I think running for senate is a great way to gain experience in both the world field and communicating. I will learn through my journey as a senator to bring the best for the students.

Vacant Student Senate Positions

These positions will be filled through appointment.

- Director of Communications
- Director of Legislative Affairs
- Director of Public Relations
- Director of Activities
- Legislative Analyst
- Senate Whip
- Senators (up to 15 positions total)
Clubs and Events Board Candidates

ASB Clubs and Events Board President

Mark Sheppard

My goal is to improve the college experience of student by encouraging their involvement. I am familiar with this institution and I am ready to begin making change for our campus and community.

Vacant CAEB Positions

*These positions will be filled through appointment.*

- CAEB Vice President
- CAEB Commissioner of Finance
- Director of Communications
- Director of Activities
- Director of Public Relations
- Director of Media Relations
- Club Representative Whip
- Historian
Cosumnes River College

Student Senate Candidates

Student Senate President

Cody Smith
Hey there! My name is Cody Smith and I am running for your Student Senate President. I’m pursuing a degree in Biomedical Engineering and am coming towards my second year at CRC hoping to transfer to a UC or CSU within an additional year. I’ve been an entrepreneur for around 8 years cleaning, rebuilding and repairing cars, teaching guitar, personal training, and taking advantage of eCommerce, all while being a member of the USAF. As a candidate for Student Senate President, one of my goals are to drive innovation among the student body and engage you in ways a classroom environment may not have been able to. As more students are attending CRC with an undeclared or changed major, I want to help you figure out what part you’d want to play in the world. We would do this together by collaborating on the diverse educational opportunities/backgrounds at CRC to develop your confidence, experience, and relationships. Another top priority is to grow and improve on the basic student needs available at CRC and EGC. We would do this by collaborating with CAEB on events that celebrate, raise supplies, and spread awareness about our incredible services, among other things. Our services include Homes for Hawks, Hawk Spot, Hawk Swap, Student Emergency Fund, etc. Thank you for your consideration.

Dounia Klaffa
Hi, my name is Dounia Klaffa. I am currently running for the position of President of ASCRC. At the moment I am currently in my second year at CRC, majoring in Political Science with an AA-T in Psychology, hoping to transfer to UC Berkeley. As your candidate for ASCRC President, I will do my best to bring together diverse groups across the campus and will do everything in my power to address any issues our students are facing. As a Muslim myself I find myself encountering certain issues or lack of representation and I have met other people who feel like their needs on campus are not adequately met. I want to be someone that people can come to on campus when they feel like they have an issue that needs to be resolved. My goal as President is to improve our campus, make it more welcoming, and make it a place where everyone feels safe and encouraged to learn. As your ASCRC President, I will do my best to make sure you feel like you belong.

Ngan Bao
Hi, my name is Ngan Bao. My major is Computer Science. I am in my 2nd year at CRC, hoping to transfer to UC Berkeley. I am running for CRC Student Senate President. I served ASCRC as Vice President during the 2019-2020 term. During my term, I have represented and been a voice for students at Shared Governance Committee Meetings. I have participated in the organizations of multiple events such as Hawk-O-Ween, Hawk Week, Welcome Day, FYE Monthly Meetings. At CRC, besides being Student Senate Vice President, I am also a Peer Mentor for the First Year Experience program; a Tutor and Vice President of club MECS. Because I am a part of many programs on campus, I get to understand more about students' needs and concerns. Especially when it comes to the way information is distributed around campus or how there are so
many barriers in academics matter. Running for Student Senate President this year, I want to take down these barriers, make information and opportunities more accessible to all of our students. This is the challenging time for students and I'd like to direct our future board to focus more on students' Academics and how to help them to achieve their academic goals in the coming recession time after the pandemic.

Ruaa Fathi
Hello, my name is Ruaa Fathi and I'm currently a second year architecture major student at CRC. My next destination after CRC will be the New School of Architecture and Design. My goal is to be a licensed architect. By applying for the leader positions in CAEB, I'm aiming to push students towards their goals and help them to succeed. I'm looking to bring students to know more about other cultures by the experiences that I gained from living in multiple countries and by merging with different cultures. My main goal is your success and I'm looking forward to help you reach it.

Director of Legislative Affairs

Ehigie Osunde
Hello, My name is Ehigie Osunde. I am currently running for Director of Legislative Affairs. Currently, I am a sophomore at Cosumnes River College who is majoring in Electrical Engineering. I hope to transfer to a CSU or a UC school when I am done with my prerequisites. As a candidate for the Director of Legislative Affairs position, I want to bring awareness to students about certain legislation in which concerns community college students. I believe students from diverse backgrounds like myself and others must know what is going on concerning their education, and must voice out their opinions in support of their educational future.

Student Senate Senator (Up to 11 Positions Total)

Aleksandra Kalnozola
Hello CRC academic peers; I'm Aleksandra (Alex) Kalnozola. I am currently running for a senator position in Student Senate. I am a native Latvian and have lived in the United States since 2016. My major at CRC is Business Administration, but upon transferring to a University (hopefully UC Irvine) in Fall 2021 I am planning to double major in Environmental Science and Policy and Business Administration. I hope to continue improving environmental sustainability on campus, and my goal is to also inform and motivate students to take steps towards improving our environment as a whole. Global warming has become a large issue on our planet, and I believe every student and CRC collectively can contribute to improving this issue.

Francheska Delara
Hello, my name is Francheska Delara and I am currently running for an ASCRC Student Senator. I am majoring in Biology and this upcoming school year, from the Fall 2020 semester to the Spring 2021 semester, will be my second year at Cosumnes River College. After finishing my lower division classes in CRC, I hope to
transfer to UC Davis where I will then eventually graduate and earn my bachelor’s degree in Biology B.S.. As a candidate for an ASCRC Student Senator, I hope to bring attention to the mental and physical health of students by holding certain events that will help bring awareness, benefits and care to the health of CRC students. As college students, we are all very busy with reaching our educational goals and may sometimes forget to take care of ourselves. Maybe, all we need is just a simple reminder to always put our health as one of our priorities in life.

Nathan Habtemariam

I want to represent the African American community at school as well as use my prior experience as a senator to help get things done.

Ulysses Chong

My name is Ulysses Chong, and I am running to be a Student Senator. I am majoring in political science though I also have a strong passion for communication and English. I am currently in my first year at CRC and I hope to transfer to UC Berkeley come next spring. As a student senator, I hope to engage with the campus culture to learn not only the campus' guidelines, but also how to best interact with my fellow students. Ideally, my time as a senator will give me the experience needed to fully understand the circumstances of my classmates to better tailor the school's events and initiatives toward them when I run for a higher-level position.

Vacant Student Senate Positions

*These positions will be filled through Fall appointment.*

- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Senators (up to 11 positions total)
Clubs and Events Board Commissioner

Aasiea Sadiq

My name is Aasiea Sadiq and I am running for CAEB Commissioner. This is my first year at CRC and I am majoring in communications. As a candidate for CAEB Commissioner, I would like to create a safe and welcoming environment for all students when putting on events and working with clubs. I would do this by respecting all cultures and backgrounds of CRC students. For example, making sure vendors are halal certified for Muslim students, contacting all clubs to make sure they feel represented, encourage other students to learn by being involved, and simply considering all students requests on improving inclusivity.

Amolak Virk

I wish to make CAEB more functional, I've seen the issues that we run into, clubs being non-communicative and events not having quite the club turnout we want and or need, and I believe I can assist in that regard as I have both the necessary technical skills and the necessary networking skills. Demonstrations of this technical skills being the very discord, where I help to manage and maintain the permissions and roles of those in the server. However, networking skills can not be demonstrated as easily, nothing quite comes to mind in order to directly show this.

Club and Events Board Vice Commissioner

Esther Ndulue

I want to make a change in our schools spirit, I want make a difference in our school. I was a publicist in my high school and was in charge or advertisement, and also in charge of school spirit and events.

Kylee Vang

Hello everyone! My name is Kylee Vang and I am running for the CAEB Vice Commissioner position! I am a first year student here at CRC and I am majoring in Biological Science, hoping to transfer to UC Santa Barbara. During my first year here, I've noticed that a lot of students come and go very quickly at CRC. That's why, as your Vice Commissioner, I want to make the time that you spend here more enjoyable and meaningful. I've met many wonderful people and made many amazing memories here by taking part in campus activities. I hope to increase student participation in campus events so that you, too, can make great memories and bonds! Although CRC may not be everyone's final destination, I want to make the stay here enjoyable!
Clubs and Event Board Secretary

**Nancy Eke**
Hi, my name is Nancy Eke. I am currently running for CAEB Secretary. I am majoring in Political Science and in my second semester here at CRC, hoping to transfer to UC Berkeley. As a CAEB Secretary, I hope to bring cultural awareness through various events and clubs. There are many diverse cultures on campus and I would like to include that into our student body creating inclusion for everyone.

**Gurpinder Ghuman**
My reasons for seeking office go beyond my desire to gain leadership experience and preparation for my major in finance, I want to make a positive impact on campus and I strongly believe a leadership role in student government gives me the avenues to do that.

**Brian Peters**
Hi, my name is Brian Peters and I am running for CAEB Director of Finance. I am an economics major in my second year at CRC. I inspire to promote more active engagement of extracurricular activities at the campus through the use of the allocation of funding. The campus has many opportunities in which I want every student to be given the possibility to have access to all clubs and activities.

**Luis Martinez-Dominguez**
A lot has to be changed in order to make campus life more efficient for all. I have been in charge of multiple businesses in the past.

**Nazeefah Ali**
Hello, my name is Nazeefah Ali and I have been at Cosumnes River College for 2 years. My major is Accounting and Economics. In these two years I have devolved a strong relationship with the campus and the students. I am running for Director of Finance. My mission for running for this position is to make a budget so we can provide our school with creative activists for the clubs and organizations, while using my accounting knowledge. I plan on bringing new ways to make our campus more comfortable with resources that will benefit the students.

Vacant CAEB Positions

- CAEB At-Large Representatives (up to 10 positions total)

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Folsom Lake College

Student Senate Candidates

Student Senate Vice President

Emilio Salas

My name is Emilio Salas and I’m running to be your Vice President for the 2020-2021 academic year. This is currently my 1st year at FLC and going on to my 2nd year I’m currently majoring in Administration of Justice with the thoughts majoring also in Communications and Political Sciences. I currently hold a seat on boards for the 2019-2020 academic year for the Associated Students of Folsom Lake College (ASFLC) as your Resolutions Officer, Senator and Club and Events Board (CABE) Vice Commissioner. If I was elected my first two priorities would be first equity and diversity, I would want every student past, present, or future who steps foot on at FLC campus to feel welcomed and cared about by their peers, staff, faculty, and administration. My second priority would be current and former foster youth about 59% of foster youth graduate from high school and only about 8% receive an AA or 4-year degree by their 26th birthday. That’s set a huge red flag for me I am currently working on making a statewide Caucus with the Student Senate for California Community College (SSCCC). Hoping to work with people who are eager like me to make that number be in the double digits. Please vote for me to be your Vice President to make these changes both for us now and future students at FLC.

Student Senate Treasurer

David Nipper

Hello, my name is David Nipper. I am running for the position of treasurer. I am majoring in Physics and Economics and am currently finishing my first year at FLC. I am applying to transfer to UC Berkeley in the Fall of 2020. As the Treasurer, I hope to establish well organized budgets which will work to encourage greater student participation in our clubs and activities on campus. I hope to delegate funds as necessary to clubs in order to improve upon their efficiency and allow for more events to take place on campus and in our community. I will look forward to working with fellow student leaders on how we can improve our campus life and culture.

Student Senate Secretary

Sobhaan Haidari

Hi, my name is Sobhaan Haidari. I am currently running for the Senate Secretary. I am a first-year at FLC and am planning on transferring to UC Berkeley as a Molecular and Cell Biology major. As a Senate secretary, I hope to work collaboratively with all senate members, by utilizing the resources FLC has, in order to promote
inclusivity and social activism on campus. During my time as ASB secretary and class president in high school, I began to notice that by creating a inclusive and diverse community, individuals began to become culturally competent and conscientious about their school environment and issues regarding their campus. I’d like to focus on the same idea, and promote student engagement here at FLC!

Student Senate Senators (Up to 15 Positions Total)

Alexander Ng

Hi, I am Alexander Ng. I am currently running for the position of student senator for Folsom Lake College in Fall 2020. Here is a little bit of information about me, I major in Computer Science, and I am hoping to transfer to my dream school, University of California, Los Angeles by Fall, 2021. I have been at Folsom Lake College for 2 years, and I have seen the effects of the student senate on campus. The student senate has organized different on-campus events and helped with different on-campus facilities. I am running as a student senator, in hopes that I can help participate in planning and organizing these events. I believe that I can help make the campus more friendly and engaging for new and old students by running for the position student senator.

Chandu Kathi

Hi my name is Chandu Kathi and I am currently a freshman, a member of the Folsom Lake Tennis Team, and a Student Senator. Because of the COVID-19 situation, my position as Student Senator ended abruptly. I am interested in running again for a senator position in Fall of 2020 as I am a compassionate student that would like to improve the campus climate. When my friends have encountered depression, anxiety, or some other mental illness, I helped them work through it. I aspire to become someone that can heal those that are experiencing a mental illness. My goals within the next four to five years are to graduate with a Cognitive Science B.S. and a Psychology A.B. degrees and to apply for medical college to become a psychiatrist.

Fuzail Shaikh

Hello, my name is Fuzail Shaikh and i am majoring in Biological sciences, I am going in my 4th year and i want to run for a senator as I want to be more involved on campus and I want to make a difference and voice the opinions of my fellow students.

Shreya Gowda

Hi, my name is Shreya Gowda and I am running to be your senator in the ASFLC senate. My leadership experience includes being a Teen Liaison Officer for the Folsom Public Library while in high school and being a CAEB at-large delegate. As a computer science major, I know the importance of technology and hope to make it more accessible to students in Folsom Lake College. I also will listen to the students of FLC to make the campus a more positive environment for all of us. Thank You.
Allison Schiffmaier

Greetings, fellow Students! My name is Allison Schiffmaier, and I am running for the ASFLC Student Senator. I am a duel Mathematics and Physics major, and Pre-Med Student. I was home-schooled all of my life as an adolescent, which allowed me to spend more time volunteering in our community. I am also a California Scholarship Sealbearer, which is a High School Honors society. This previous term, I served in the ASFLC on both boards as a Senator, At-Large Delegate, and Parliamentarian Officer. This year, my intentions for this position is to create a MESA center for STEM students (and all majors) to encourage and accelerate the learning process, create an FLC Undergraduate Mentor-ship program to decrease the gap between high school and college with the goal of creating a better future for the next generation, and, finally, to represent the student voice on campus. I am deeply passionate, about creating lasting change for our community, and it would be my honor to serve you as your ASFLC Senator. I thank you for your consideration.

Vacant Student Senate Positions

These positions will be filled through Fall appointment.

- Student Senate President
- Director of Legislative Affairs
- Senators (up to 15 positions total)

Clubs and Event Board Candidates

Club and Events Board Commissioner

Akshali Kapadia

Hi, my name is Akshali Kapadia. I am currently running for Commissioner position in Clubs and Events Board. This is my third year at FLC, and as a candidate for Commissioner. I currently serve as the Director of Finance for Clubs and Events Board of Folsom Lake College. I hope to bring more cultural awareness on campus through the creation of diverse events and collaboration with clubs. There are many diverse backgrounds and cultures on our campus, and I would like to promote student engagement and inclusion.

Club and Events Board Director of Finance

Vraj Thakkar

My name is Vraj Thakkar, I am a student at ASFLC focusing on Computer Science and Biomedical Science as my majors. I am also a Pre-Med and am the President for Pre-Health Alliance Club and Esports Alliance Club. I aspire to become a neurosurgeon and have completed over 80 hours of clinical experience. I was also an Operations officer in Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps in which I organized different types of events. I am a Student Senator currently and wanted to transfer my skills in an are that I have experience and
passion in which is Clubs and Events. I am hoping on making changes through which we can manage cost and efficiency of the Clubs and Events at our college.

Vacant CAEB Positions

*These positions will be filled through Fall appointment.*

- CAEB Vice Commissioner
- CAEB Secretary
- CAEB Event Coordinator
- CAEB Historian
- CAEB At-Large Delegates (up to 10 positions total)

Constitutional Amendments

The change proposals are listed below. Red language will be deleted, and blue language will be added into the constitution.

SGVT 300 Alternative Training

*Provide Alternative Options for the Student Senate President/Vice President and the CAEB Commissioner/Vice Commissioner to fulfill SGVT 300 Required Training*

In the constitution, there is a requirement for the Student Senate President/Vice President and CAEB Commissioner/Vice Commissioner to complete the course SGVT 300 before or during their time serving in these positions. However, over the last year, due to lack of enrollment in the course, it was cancelled twice and those student leaders were unable to complete the required training putting those student leaders in a difficult situation in regards to fulfilling constitutional requirements.

In order to prevent these issues in the future, we are proposing the following language to be added into the document to allow equivalent alternative training options to be provided for student leaders in the case that the required SGVT 300 course is ever cancelled in the future. This alternative training would be provided by the Student Life Supervisor (the same instructor who teaches the SGVT 300 course) to those leaders.

**Article VI, Section 2, Item D - Student Senate Eligibility**

D. Student Senate President and Vice President must have completed or be currently enrolled in SGVT 300, or receive equivalent training from the Student Life Supervisor or Advisor.
**Article VII, Section 2, Item C - CAEB Eligibility**

C. The Club and Events Board Commissioner and Vice Commissioner must have completed or be currently enrolled in SGVT 300, or receive the equivalent training from the Student Life Supervisor or Advisor.

C. Clubs and Events Board Commissioner must have completed or be currently enrolled in SGVT or 495

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**Providing Clearer Language in the Constitution**

**Section of Constitution - Article VII Section 3 Item A**

A. The term of an executive officer begins at the last board meeting of the spring semester and concludes at the same time the next following year.

**Section of Constitution - Article VIII Section 1 Intro - Joint Budget Committee Membership**

The Joint Budget Committee shall consist of an equal number of voting members from the Student Senate and The Clubs and Events Board. Members from either component (Student Senate or the Clubs and Events Board) shall compose no more than one half of the Joint Budget Committee membership.

**Small Grammatical Changes**

**Section of Constitution - Article VIII Section 4 Item A Subsection iv**

Create a process allowing the Student Senate, Clubs and Events Board and other student groups to petition for additional funds, to be awarded from the Joint Budget Committee account.

**Section of Constitution – Article XII, Section 2**

To recall a member of the Student Senate or the Clubs and Events Board, the students must submit a petition with the signatures of two-thirds (2/3) of the number of voters who voted in the last election to the advisor. Those signatures shall be verified by College officials and only those signatures of currently enrolled students shall count towards the required number of signatures.
Sacramento City College

Student Senate Candidates

Student Senate President

Spencer Slavazza

I will lead with kindness. I will work with students and clubs. I will utilize our student government budget.

Student Senate Secretary

Gabriela Stewart

I’m a Global Studies major. I have experience taking minutes. I will always prioritize students’ well-being.

Student Senate Secretary of Public Relations

Alexandra Athon Diamant

I’m a tutor at the West Sac writing center, and I interact and communicate with students, teachers, and admin on a regular basis. I want to be a contributing member of student body, and be a voice for my fellow classmates.

Student Senate Secretary of Sustainability

Taniara Vinas

I will advocate on behave of the student body. I will help eliminate student insecurities on campus. I will collaborate and contribute to uplifting of the school spirit on campus.

Senator (Up to 20 Positions Total)

Gabriela Denne

I am currently serving as a senator on the student senate. I’d like to affect change in our community and support the success of all. My interests include removing systemic barriers, creating a sense of community, and a respect of interconnectedness.
Fatima Mohammadi

I want to get involved more in the college. I would like to be a voice for social issues impacting the student community at Sacramento City College, especially international students.

Anna Yi

I was involved in Student Government at SCC in 2009-2010 with Anna Joy and Phi Theta Kappa. I’ve worked on several election campaigns. I did a lot of voter registration. I want to see Student Government at SCC be more open, transparent, and easier to join.

Vacant Student Senate Positions

These positions will be filled through appointment.

- Vice President
- Secretary of Legislative Affairs
- Treasurer
- President Pro Tempore
- Secretary of Technology
- Senators (up to 20 positions total)

Clubs and Events Board Candidates

CAEB Vice President

Jason Park

I am a civil engineering major. I will bring more positivity on campus. I will serve students with passion.

CAEB Treasurer

Ivan Pacheco

I am an engineering major that strives for efficiency, efficacy, and fairness. I am running for re-election so I can continue to protect the student fees from misuse. I am proud to be a student representative and hope I may continue to be on.
CAEB Secretary of Technology

Omair Qazi

I am a Network Systems Administrator major and a participant in retooling the Sacramento City Network and Cyber Security club. I am passionate about building organizations and networks in order to more effectively build coalitions amongst groups that may not realize that can help one another, and in particular I find that individuals in technology forget that the human connection is vital in order to making technology truly successful.

Vacant CAEB Positions

*These positions will be filled through Fall appointment.*

- President
- Secretary
- Secretary of Equity and Diversity
- Secretary of Public Relations
- Project Coordinators (up to 10 positions total)

Constitutional Amendments

Add a new position to the Student Senate

Secretary of Outreach and Development

The Secretary of Outreach and Development serves four overarching objectives. The first is to research education-based policies and learning practices from other regions/countries in order to assess them and develop conjectures about their applicability to Sacramento City College. These efforts will support Sacramento City College’s mission to strengthen its student base’s educational development. The Secretary of Outreach and Development will serve as a liaison to academically vulnerable student populations (including and not limited to those who are unable to financially support their academics, undocumented students, English learning students, and those generally underrepresented). The Secretary of Outreach and Development will adhere to this second objective by attending campus based, culturally relevant events, in order to promote the values of the Student Associated Council (SAC) at Sacramento City College, and Sacramento City College, outside of this campus.
The Secretary of Outreach and Development shall promote, and as necessary, lead philanthropic efforts that reinforce the SCC student body’s ability to fund events, exercises, workshops, and grant a variety of intangible provisions that will aid and advance the student population’s educational advancement.

Further, the Secretary of Outreach and Development will promote the values of Sacramento City College, and help create an environment in which SAC members and students at-large may begin to understand and value the benefit of giving back in a world that is heavily globalized.

A. Shall be the main liaison to pertinent pre-established on campus groups/organizations that may assist in this position’s overarching assignment.
B. Shall advise the SAC on any culturally sensitive matters.
C. Shall act as an advocate for any under-represented student groups on campus, bringing to light any educational equity issues that have arisen.
D. Shall advocate for the benchmarking of campus-wide education against that of institutions of other countries, districts, states and regions.
E. Shall articulate the differences between philanthropy and community service to the SAC.
   a. As…
      i. Philanthropy is the act of raising money for charity or for another organization;
      ii. Community service, on the other hand, is the act of volunteering one’s time to help other people, a community or an organization.
F. Shall make trips to pertinent events as deemed necessary and appropriate by the SAC at Sacramento City College.
G. Shall present a biweekly report on any issues relevant to their overarching assignment, as well as a recommended course of action, and a preliminary statement regarding the board’s position on the aforementioned matter that may be modified at the discretion of the SAC.
H. Shall present a monthly press release regarding the aforementioned issue(s) regarding their overarching assignment.
I. Shall chair the Department of Outreach and Development. The Secretary of Outreach and Development will oversee all research that is conducted under the purview of the department.
J. Shall take on additional responsibilities as advised or deemed necessary by SAC at large.
K. Is to liaise with renown civil rights organizations, such as the ACLU and Amnesty International on behalf of the Student Associated Council, as deemed necessary by the department and/or SAC at large.
L. Shall meet with the Deans of PRIE (Planning Research and Institutional Effectiveness), and the Director of Philanthropy, in addition to SAC advisors for their input prior to authoring his/her (Outreach & Development) agenda for the term on a regular basis.
References to scheduling moved to bylaws

Section of Constitution - Throughout

Allows Student Senate and Clubs & Events Boards to make changes more responsively to student availability and technology without requiring a vote of the student body.

Change “Senatorial Branch” to “Meeting of the Senators”

Section of Constitution - Throughout

The senators are not a “branch” of the Student Associated Council (SAC). The senators are a part of the Student Senate, which is a branch of the SAC.

Change “Division” to “Department”

Section of Constitution - Throughout

Divisions are a bigger segment. SAC representation is with smaller segments known as departments. Using SCC verbiage, department is the appropriate term.

Remove a sentence

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 1

Remove the last sentence – “The student senate shall also have a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Secretary of Legislative Affairs per Article X of this Constitution.” This section is specifically addressing the senators. The composition of the student senate is already listed elsewhere in the Constitution.

Change “enact” to “pass”

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, iG

It is beyond the purview of the SAC to enact. They can “pass” resolutions.

Replace “their” with “the SAC Senate”

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, iiiF

Specifies WHO “their” is.
Remove a section

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, ivC

Remove “Sustainability is a new way of thinking about an age-old concern: Ensuring that our children and grandchildren inherit a tomorrow that is at least as good as today, preferably better.” – Source: US Environmental Protection Agency. The constitution is a source for regulation and policy. This statement is opinion. Opinion should be avoided in a governing document.

Remove department list

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, ivFa

Replace department list with “departments shall be identified each July by SLD office to reflect the departments present at the college for that academic year.” Departments change often. It is unreasonable to require a constitutional change to update a department list.

Remove section

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, ivFb

Remove “and must be confirmed by a majority vote in the Student Senate and signed by the President of the Student Senate or the presiding officer 5 days prior.” This makes no sense for the president to sign 5 days prior. These appointments can be simply made by the vice president.

Change bi-monthly

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 5, ivFi

Bi-monthly is unclear. Twice a month, too often. Every other month, too long. Monthly is more clear.

Correct language

Section of Constitution – Article VII, section 6, i

Replace “of the student senators” with “board members”. All members of the full senate board vote, not just the senators.
Remove Department List

Section of Constitution – Article VIII, section 5, ivD

Replace department list with “departments shall be identified each July by SLD office to reflect the departments present at the college for that academic year.” Departments change often. It is unreasonable to require a constitutional change to update a department list.

Remove mis-stated language

Section of Constitution – Article X, section 2

Delete “Each Executive Officer selected under this Article, at the time of his or her election, and throughout her or her term, must be in good standing (with not less than a 2.0 cumulative grade point average) and not be on academic probation.” This is required of ALL SAC members, not just executive officers per Education Code.

Move to Bylaws

Section of Constitution – Article X, section 6, iiA

Move to Bylaws – Shall have monthly meetings with the Dean of Engagement & Completion. The college reorganizes from time to time, changes reporting structure, and the titles of the deans. Moving this to the bylaws allows for the student senate to make changes when the college changes without requiring a vote of the student body.

Combine related items to one

Section of Constitution – Article X, section vC&H

Items vC and vH are related, and in practice done together. Combining the items make the task(s) more cohesive for the Secretary of Public Relations.

Delete “officer or”

Section of Constitution – Article XIII, section 1

The word “officer” is confusing. Officers are members. Rules apply to all members. Using the term “officer” implies perhaps only members designated as an officer. This is incorrect.
Add missing items already in practice

Section of Constitution – Article XIII, section 1, ix

Add – “A member violates the student leadership code of conduct.” This is already in practice and is on the student leadership code of conduct agreement signed by all members.

Section of Constitution – Article XIII, section 2, ii

Add – “Violation of Code of Conduct”. This is already in practice and is on the student leadership code of conduct agreement signed by all members.
Los Rios Community College Districtwide Positions

Student Trustee Candidates

Note: Statements were limited to 250 words or less by ending submissions at the end of the last complete sentence prior to exceeding the word limit. Otherwise, statements are presented exactly as written by the candidates.

Miles E. McAnulty

My name is Miles E. McAnulty, I am running for this position to help my fellow students who feel like their voices are not heard. Personally, I know what it feels like to have an administration that has control over every facet of your college life not care about you or your health. That is with the advent of the Covid-19 and the administration's delayed response. As a Political Science major, I am taught to some degree about how to understand organizations and therefore am running to help those who would not have help and to gain much-needed experience in an administrative position. Let us bring change as one!

Toni Schiffmaier

My name is Toni Schiffmaier, and I am a Pre-Law double major in Business and Psychology. I am running for Student Trustee, because I am passionate about public service and representing the student voice. Through my experience serving in student government on local, regional, and statewide levels, I have worked with other students in the CCC system to make an impact in our communities, on our campuses, and in our legislation on topics such as homelessness, hunger, financial aid, mental health, and more. However, there is still much more we need to do. For this reason, if elected as student trustee, I would like to work on three priorities: 1) increase the basic needs services (food pantries, rapid re-housing resources, clothing closets, etc.) on our college campuses, 2) increase the health services (mental health, hygiene products, health counseling, etc.) for our students, and 3) prioritize amplifying the student voice in decision making on all levels through our legislation, on our committees, and in college planning. Through my service on local, regional, and statewide levels, I have the experience necessary to serve in a position such as Los Rios Student Trustee. Locally, I helped to establish the Basic Needs Committee, served as the Chair of Constitution and Bylaws Committee, served as the Founder/President of the FLC Business Association, and worked to promote student equity and success on my college campus. Regionally, I served as the Region II Treasurer (helping to represent 13 Community Colleges) where I worked on several projects.
Aesha Abduljabbar

Dear Los Rios Students, My name is Aesha Abduljabbar. I have attended American River College for three years, and I am majoring in English. Hoping to become a Human Rights Lawyer. My term as the Student Senate President for American River College is coming to an end, but I still have a lot to accomplish and more students to hear. That is why I decided to run for the Student Trustee. The pleasure of serving ARC students can't be described with words, neither the amount of joy can be measured, but it can greatly be felt, and reflected in my leadership. Now I want to serve Los Rios students. I don't want to only be your Student Trustee, but as well as your friend. I will be here to listen to each individual's concerns, and goals for each campus. While being the ARC Student Senate President, I have learned how to advocate for the students. I lobbied in the State Capital for SB 291 which will allow students to get emergency funds. I worked closely with the Student Advisory Committee to address students' concerns about Aramark. I chair weekly meetings, as well I am part of the Executive Leadership Team, the Student Advisory Committee, and the Chancellor’s Cabinet Committee. If I get elected as Student Trustee, I want to continue the work of bringing awareness to students' gender pronouns in classrooms. Every single student should feel at home, and included when they are on campus. Thank you!

Zain Ali

I have been in leadership role for some time and have been in love with every second of it. I started with being a Student Ambassador at the start of last year but now not only hold a position in Student Senate and CAEB but I also chair my own Standing Committee. During my academic year of 2019-2020, I am a Student Senator, a CAEB representative, Chair of Communication Committee and Vice-Chair for Legislative Committee. I also participated in many Ad Hoc Committees for planning and executing events on the Cosumnes River College Campus. All these roles have greatly increased my leadership and my acknowledgment of the Student Senate. Being chair of the Communication Committee helped me to get closer to students and hear their needs. I creating social media presence of my Associated Board along with digital process to fasten communication and outreach of ASCRC. I have been always a big candidate in empowering others and working for other's needs which is why I joined the Legislative Committee. I got the chance to plan lobby day for CRC representatives and got the opportunity to work with the chair in various bills, directly and indirectly, affecting student lives and success. I have also been part of recruiting and assisting new leaders on my board along with helping them through their projects. From creating events to new systems, I love to be at the forefront of every opportunity I get in which I can reach more students and advocate for their needs.

Dahlia Morquecho

I am committed to representing the interests of the student community at Los Rios District. As a first-generation student, I have experienced beforehand the struggles of trying to navigate the educational system. I intend to bring forward the voice of the students to the Board. And to serve all students equally in an equitable fashion. Investing in us today means investing in a brighter and better California.
Candidate Forums – Dates & Locations

There shall be at least one public candidate forum held at each college at which all candidates are invited to participate. These forums will be held one week before the elections, starting on April 14.

Tuesday, April 14

American River College
Student Senate & Student Trustee Forum

Tuesday April 14: (12-1:30 PM) https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/8223239652

Wednesday, April 15

Cosumnes River College
Student Senate, CAEB & Student Trustee Forum

Wednesday April 15: 12pm to 2pm https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/227760327

Thursday, April 16

Sacramento City College
Student Senate, CAEB & Student Trustee Forum

Thursday April 16: (12-1 PM) https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/577808341

Monday, April 20

Folsom Lake College
Student Senate, CAEB & Student Trustee Forum

Monday April 20: (12-1 PM) https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/585486348