

### **Candidates for President**

### Kayla Stamps



**Candidate for President** 

### Jose Trinidad Castaneda



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This year at Cal State LA has been extremely enlightening. I decided to take part in six organizations on campus. The organizations range from academia driven, to ethnic based, to career orientated. My philosophy is that current generations' interpersonal engagement seems to be increasingly nugatory with the prevalence of technology. This presumption pushed me to step outside the box and exercise my interpersonal skills so I could properly assess a diverse range of students' thoughts and needs. As I began to meet various people on campus, I was able to receive insight to some of the glaring concerns. Financial aid was one of them. I conducted research and did a comparison analysis with a model school (CSUF). This gave me further insight to some solutions. I told myself that one of my fulfillments as president is to work towards expediting and reforming some of the financial aid processes. My next focus is to help increase student involvement. I believe incorporating more student activities will help to ignite a sense of school pride amongst my cohorts. This also can help create an overall school appeal to prospective students. A legacy that will begin with the students! Other issues I will be focusing on during 16-17' include reforming student job placement programs (in partnership with the career center), and strategically bridging gaps between administrators and ASI students. Also I want to work to establishing programs that will help students choose a major earlier on. This is in hopes to decrease graduation retention and implement overall student success. I will conclude my vision statement by reminding myself, and those reading, that my ultimate goal is to perpetuate student success, unity, understanding, and respect to everyone on campus. "Life's most persistent and urgent question is "What are you doing for others?"-Martin Luther

My name is José Trinidad Castañeda III, and I want you to vote for me to be your next ASI President. Cal State LA is in a critical moment and is ready for historic changes as major issues, such as climate change and socioeconomic inequalities, affect our lives and our futures. As a public university, leaders from Cal State LA must represent diversity, creativity, and ingenuity with each step towards building a better society. As a rising leader, I am ready to take action on climate change, diversity, and community engagement. I have a range of critical skills and talents that I want to use to give back to students, staff, and faculty on and off campus. I need you to vote for the best candidates with solid work ethic, visionary goals, and can deliver on the promise of change. For the past two years, I have organized with the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, Trans Queer Connection, and Students for a Quality Education. I currently serve as founder and president of the Association of Integrated Research and Education, a student organization that bridges the gap between social and data sciences by providing undergraduate research opportunities. I am committed to fighting climate change, and I do so by volunteering with ASI's Environmental Policy Committee, as well as running an After-School Sustainability program at Parks Jr. High. At Cal State LA, I continue to encourage and mentor friends to proudly move forward with their goals and dreams. If you want to see more of what I can do for you, then VOTE for José Trinidad Castaneda III for President!

### Samuel Garza



Upon my arrival at Cal State Los Angeles, I found myself seeking ways that I could get involved. I immediately joined the Residence Hall Association and the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity; both organizations focused on community and social interests. In an effort to become more involved and grow as a leader. I ran for Vice President of Administration for A.S.I. Through my time in the student body, I honed in on my advocacy and leadership skills so I can best represent the interests of all our students. It was also important for me to get the perspective of the students as I made decisions, reaching out to them and asking for opinions as I considered upcoming important votes and decisions for the population. Through genuine motives, I led the student body and helped bring together students for advocacy and programming. I wish to continue this trend by serving the student body as the President of Associated Students Inc. If elected, I will use the position to reevaluate the structure and function of Associated Students Incorporated and pursue a greater vision so that we can better represent the students that have elected us. I want to make A.S.I. a powerhouse of advocacy on our campus.



### Leopoldo Saldana



Candidates for Vice President for Administration

### **Gregory Bates**



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Being a student amongst a diverse, determined and ambitious community at this university deserves the up most support from their student government. As your Vice President for Administration, I will commit to help out my fellow ASI members in whatever duties and challenges they take on because cooperation and communication are crucial to achieve the goals of this campus and their students. Most importantly, I will work to ensure the focus and quality that it takes to present a respectful, active and straight awe inspiring student environment.

My name is Gregory Bates. I am a third year student studying TVF in hopes to become a screenwriter. I have experience working with organizations and was also a part of a variety of clubs here on campus such as Intervarsity, Golden Eagle Productions, and No More Starving Students. For NMSS (No More Starving Students) I served as the Marketing Director and helped promote events, functions, etc. In NMSS I learned the importance of teamwork and discipline. As I ran my marketing committee, I taught them hard work, communication, and the quality of work that can get done when we work together. I am driven, passionate and hardworking. One of the biggest accomplishments and moments in my time as the current ASI A&L rep was when I pushed to help the University Times to get more Newsstands on campus. To touch on what briefly happened, I learned that the University Times had been waiting for two years to get an answer to get more newsstands on campus. When they approached me to help, I immediately took action. After nearly two quarters of work with the university and discussing with The University Times, the administration agreed to pay for 5-8 more newsstands. This is just one example to why I like to be your VPA because I will advocate for students wants and needs. I want to help change this campus for the better because that's what this campus needs. This campus needs new life, new spirit, and new change.



### Timothy Archinger



### Candidates for Vice President for Finance

I am Tim Achinger and I am running for your Vice President for Finance (VPF). I am a rising senior and Finance major with ASI experience. Currently, I am an Undergraduate Academic Senator and I serve on the Executive Senate, as well as, the university's Fiscal Policy Committee and the Accessible Technology Initiative Web Workgroup. I am also a past Vice President of the Political Science Association. The Fiscal Policy Committee has given me first-hand experience with budgeting and handling fiscal issues at the university level, which will make me an effective VPF. I believe the faculty and administrative relationships that I have developed through all of my committee work will be an indispensable asset to ASI next year. I would like to use my leadership experiences to advance the interests of ASI and other student clubs and organizations. My goal is to streamline the funding request process and to provide accurate and timely information about process. I know first- hand how confusing the club funding paperwork can be and I plan to work closely and one-on-one with each organization regarding its proposals and the ways for them to maximize student involvement. Next year, I would also like to build upon ASI's efforts to improve on-campus dining options and to work with the library to launch a student textbook exchange. I look forward to continuing to serve you next year and hope to secure

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### **Candidates for Vice President** for Academic Governance

### **David Chavac**



**Candidate for Vice President** for Academic Governance

I am for student involvement on campus because not only will our students receive the education they should be entitled to while attending class here at CSULA, but students will also be able to carve a road-path towards what profession they desire to pursue. Going to school just for an education isn't enough. It is important for students to understand that they must network while they are in college because many employers are typically looking for educated and ambitious students who want to gain experience in the profession they are studying for. Student involvement on campus will help students begin obtaining the proper skills they need in order to build a strong resume and compete effectively out in the job market. As long as our University will continue to provide students with access to the resources they need in order to get started on their future careers. I will continue to advocate and guide students towards these resources that will benefit them and their futures. I want my school to be known for not just its' academics, but I want Cal-State-LA to be known for preparing students in terms of having a brighter future.

## Candidates for College Representative: **College of Arts & Letters**

### **Michael Acevedo**



Candidate for College Representative: College of Arts & Letters

# I welcome the opportunity to contribute work towards

ASI student government in a leadership position. If elected, I will bring to ASI my experience as an active member and proven leader within the College of Arts and Letters. I am the current standing president of Cinematic Visions, the official film club of Cal State LA, as well as an active member of Golden Eagle Productions. Other Leadership positions I have fulfilled include my experience as a director for short films and an episode of Golden Eagle Televisions original series The Hill. If elected as a board member for ASI I would fully utilize my leadership and communication skills to adhere to the interests and concerns of students within the College of Arts and Letters and respond accordingly.

### **John Martinez**



**Candidate for Vice President** for Academic Governance

My name is John Paul Martinez, I am a political science major and this is my third year at CSULA. My desire is to work with A.S.I. in order to encourage students to participate at more events that they are interested in. I believe it is important to create a bond with CSULA and the students to increase school spirit. Not only is it important to increase school spirit, it is important that students leave CSULA with a sense of interconnectedness knowing that they were able to make use of the resources at hand and form bonds that will help them outside of campus and into the real world. Prior to running for A.S.I., I worked closely with many clubs at school such as Pre-Law Society and the Political Science Association, as well leadership programs such as L.E.A.P., Leader to Leader, and Leader Project. These clubs and programs helped me acquire great communication skills, negotiating, planning, and organization. I am also hard-working, open-minded, and passionate about serving the interests of the students at CSULA. In addition to my previous experiences, I have volunteered at the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank and the successful annual Law Fair hosted by Pre-Law Society. These events demonstrate my level of

## **Michelle Macias**



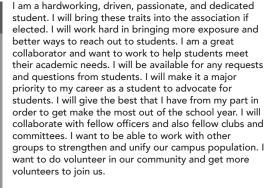
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### **William Reyes**



**Candidate for College Representative: College of Arts & Letters** 

I would like to represent Arts and Letters students of CSULA. I believe I have the skills and ability to bring great ideas to the table that can benefit students. As part of Alpha Sigma Tau sorority on campus I feel my experience with my organization makes me more than qualified for the job.



### **Candidates for Vice President** for External Affairs and Advancement

### **Marcos Montes**



**Candidate for Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement** 

Cal State L.A. is a culturally rich and diverse campus, which I am extremely proud to belong to. Students come from all backgrounds, but we all share the fact that external policies affect our education. Most of us are working students and face similar daily challenges. I also have to balance work, school and family responsibilities, while taking the maximum allowable units every quarter to graduate in the shortest amount of time possible. I want to be an agent of change and represent people in the most equitable way possible. This is why I am running for this office - I want to be the voice of all students with our CSU Board of Trustees and state legislature. I want to be the eyes and ears of students of all colors, of students who work and commute, of students who live on campus, of students who have a family to sustain, of students with disabilities, of Dreamers, of LGBT students, just to mention a few. As VPEAA, I will make sure that all of our issues are advocated for because I want to recreate a connection between ASI student representatives and the student body. I will make sure I am accessible to all students and that everyone's voice is being heard equally. I do not want people to see me as an out of touch representative, but rather as a working student

who wants to work hard for you

### Candidates for Secretary/Treasurer

### **Bonnie Lee**



**Candidate for Secretary/Treasurer** 

Lee I want to make a change and that change starts with you helping me and me helping you. We are only but the sum of our parts, and in order for me to be a successful candidate in serving not just the greater good for the public, but for the greater good for each and every one of you. Without your guidance, I would only be serving my own interests in recycling for a sustainable world, respecting others by smiling with my teeth when I greet them, or talking to hear myself talk. I can do it without your help, but with your help, we can make an impact and move mountains. Together! Work with Bonnie Lee, a junior in Mechanical Engineer and running for Treasurer/Secretary! Trust me, I'm an Engineer! :)

## Candidates for College Representative: **College of Business & Economics**

### Adam Rteimeh



**Candidate for College Representative: College of Business & Economics** 

The three years that I have been at this university I have made a lot of connections. Those connections made specifically in my major as well, whether it be from classes or coming up to students around Salazar Hall. I'd like to represent my people and start something great with the rest of ASI. I'm very focused and dedicated when it comes to organizing activities.



### Shirali Shah



Representative of Business and Economics for the 2016-17 school year with the mindset of making a positive change to our school's environment and well-being. I have served as ASI Committee member for 3 major Committees like Library Subcommittee, Honor Convocation & Commencement Committee and Communication Board. I have seen what goes in making plans, taking actions and getting result. I have even led a Committee for my university in my bachelors. I have good Leadership skills, Communication skills and also Management. Also I am an International Student. I have seen that not many International student or even the student here get involved in the activities taking place inside our college.

This year I want to run for the position of ASI

Candidate for CollegeRepresentative: College of Business & Economics

## Can Candidates for College Representative:

### Charter College of Education





Candidate for College Representative: Charter College of Education

As a student and future educator, I strongly believe in "Collaboration" and "Educational Equality" from The Charter College of Education: Conceptual Framework. Students learn most effectively by the "Collaboration" among the staff, family, and classmates where together there will be a support system for everyone involved; active listening, effective communication, and a safe welcoming environment. As possible candidate to represent The Charter College of Education, I strive and determined to treat and better understand student's academic endeavors through "Educational Equality", to meet the needs of not only of the members The Charter College of Education but the student body of CSULA and staff. Combining "Collaboration" and "Educational Equality", I can be a source of motivation and inspiration to the best of my ability execute tasks for students on campus, the fellow board, and CSULA in its entirety, in order for there to be significant change for future golden eagle students

### Kendra Glade



Candidate for College Representative: College of Health & Human Services

As a representative for the department of health and human services, I look forward to serving my fellow students tenaciously. I will Advocate for my peers and ensure all grievances are not only heard, but addressed. I have experience as an Advocate and I take pleasure in fighting for what is right; I take even more pleasure in winning those fights. I take pride in our school and look forward to making our experience here even better for the 2016-2017 school year. I look forward to working with the students and faculty, solving problems and enhancing what already works perfectly.

### Candidates for College Representative: College of Natural & Social Sciences

### David Zitser



Candidate for College Representative: College of Natural & Social Sciences As the College of Natural and Social Sciences Representative, I will act as the voice of the Natural & Social Science College and present the needs of those students to the board of directors. I will try to represent issues impartially and do what's best for the students. I will also try to give those students the opportunity to get more involved in science-related activities and clubs.



### Candidates for College Representative: College of Engineering, Computer Science & Technology

### **Marvin Soltero**



Candidates for College Representative: College of Engineering, Computer Science

As a member of the ECST college; I am excited to represent the students..

### Elise Dang



Candidate for Undergraduate Academic Senators

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Hello fellow CSULA students! I'm Elise Dang a second year Anthropology student and I am running for Undergraduate Academic Senator. I will be hardworking and dedicated to my position to ensure that all student input and concerns is made aware to CSULA faculty. I shall do my best. Please vote for me! Thank you!

## Candidates for College Representative: College of Health & Human Services

### Candy Noriega



Candidate for College Representative: College of Health & Human Services

The College of Human and Health services is one of the largest colleges on campus, that being said I would like to help my fellow colleagues in anything that they believe needs improvement or could be helpful towards our college. I will do my best to establish a good connection with the fellow staff and dean of our college. I am not usually busy and so will be able to easily contact. And if anyone has any ideas for events and such that they believe would help to know the rest of our colleagues in our college I am very open minded and would love to hear anything anyone would have in mind. This would be my first college student government position if elected, but not my first student government position overall.

### Leslym Mendez



Candidate for Undergraduate Academic Senators

It is with great passion that I am running in the ASI 2016-2017 election as a candidate for Undergraduate Academic Senator. The Academic Senate works closely with our Faculty to recommend changes to the University's academic policies. My positive attitude and commitment would serve as a wonderful representation of our students at CSULA. I am eager to support the student body in promoting and advancing services or policies that can greater benefit both Faculty and Students. If elected as Undergraduate Senator my knowledge and experience in Psychology, Business and Academics, would make it my duty to adhere consideration and fairness into the Academic Policies recommended to our President.



### Matthew Hu



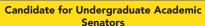
Program at CSULA.

### Kent Lin



Candidate for Community Affairs Rep-At-Large

My intention to apply is to improve the experiences for organizations. Considering I run two organizations, I understand the difficulties as well as the struggles to succeed. Through my experience as an organization leader, I plan to use it to my advantage in order to improve our current situation.



**Thu-Lan Nguyen** 

As academic senator, I will advocate for students by communicating with faculty about student concerns and opinions. I will make sure that our voices are heard so that the faculty is aware of our concerns and can address them. I believe that many of our problems on campus can be solved by simply being proactive in campus wide discussions. I look forward to representing the students in these discussions so our needs can.

My name is Matthew Hu and I am a Finance major in my

third year. As a leader, my goal is to set an example for

also strive to advance and improve our current policies,

as well as suggest new policies to better CSULA. I have

worked at UBS Private Wealth Management under the Blosser Reeder Group, who manages more than \$1.1 billion in client assets. I am currently working for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors under Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich. I am a part of the Early Entrance

the students and also identify, provide, and execute solutions to any issues and inefficiencies at CSULA. I



Candidate for Undergraduate Academic Senators





My name is Joseph Shichuan Li and I am a 22 year-old graduate student studying in the field of Political Science. I was diagnosed with cerebral palsy since birth thus making my life a challenging one. Despite my disability, I managed to learn English at the age of 15 and entered graduate school at the age of 21. If elected, I will make every effort representing the graduate student population on campus by making sure their needs are satisfied and voices are heard. I will take on what the current graduate academic senator left and develop it further. I am confident my disability will allow me to bring different perspectives to ASI and the student body as a whole.

Candidate for Graduate Academic Senators



### **Candidates for**

### Your Voice, Your Vote!

It's time to VOTE! All Cal State L.A. Students are encouraged to vote for their favorite election candidates. Check out the various ways and times to vote Monday, May 9 through Wednesday, May 11.

### Monday, May 9 at 9am through Wednesday, May 11 at 7pm Online via G.E.T.

Online via your student G.E.T. account Be sure to download the app

### Monday, May 9th U-VOTE

12 - 4 pm, University-Student Union Plaza Join us in celebrating the U-SU Board of Directors general election voting with a kickoff event. Vote for your favorite student representatives to represent YOU. Meet the candidates, enjoy music and win U-SU swag. The first 1,000 students who attend this event and vote get a free meal!

Tuesday, May 10-Wednesday May 11, 12-4pm each day In-Person via Voting Booths on the Main Walkway. Cast your vote for your favorite candidates via the Main Walkway Voting Booth

### Community Affairs Rep-At-Large

### Nathan Lee



Candidate for Community Affairs Rep-At-Large

I plan to make big changes for CSULA students. 1. I support timely promotion and marketing of events. 2. I support awareness programs in terms of race/ethnicity, sex, and disability (e.g. Black History Month, National Hispanic Heritage Month) 3. I support education for body image, dating violence, etc., and speakers to discuss topics in an open, safe forum. 4. I support programs such as Breast Cancer Awareness, HIV/AIDS awareness, Latino AIDS, and vaccinations and baby changing stations to suit community medical needs. 5. I promote education on drunk, buzzed, and distracted driving. 6. I advocate anti-bullying programs for minority groups, and safety for all people and ideas. 7. I promote job fairs, Involvement Fairs, and internships, especially for undeclared majors, and also for undocumented immigrants. My courage, enthusiasm and energy best suits providing and presenting more opportunities to improve our student community to its greatest potential.

Election Announcement Mixer Thursday, May 12, 2016 4:30-6pm University Student Union-Plaza LETS CELEBRATE! Join us as we announce the winners of the A.S.I. General Election and the USU Board of Directors Election. Food, music, and giveaways throughout the event.