



Associated Students, Inc. 2018-19 Committee Appointment Application

Application Ref ID: 4764 | Submitted: Tuesday, January 29, 2019 - 10:34pm

First Name:	Ugbad	Monday:	8AM to 10AM
Last Name:	Farah	Tuesday:	8AM to 10AM & 11AM to 9PM
Position:	Environmental Policy Committee Member	Wednesday:	8AM to 9AM & 2:00 PM to 9PM
Major:	Environmental Sciences	Thursday:	8AM to 10AM & 2:00PM to 9PM
Class:	Graduate	Friday:	8AM to 11AM & 2:00PM to 9PM

1. What previous experience have you had in the area in which you are applying for?

a. Previously, I worked as a laboratory technician for the California Department of Food and Agriculture, where we investigated a pathogenic disease destroying citrus trees across the nation. I was able to be in a position where I was able to implement policies that would improve the citrus industry within California and was able to see the invasive species regulations enacted. I decided to pursue an advanced degree in the environmental sciences to and joined as a graduate student in the Geosciences and Environment department this year. I have been heavily involved with many research studies and seek a position that I will be able to contribute to as a scientist. As an undergraduate, I served on the board for several student organizations at Sacramento State. I served as the Treasurer of the Global Health Awareness organization, Vice President of Correspondence for the Multicultural Organization of Science Students and the President, Treasurer, and General Secretary of the MSA at Sac State.

2. State briefly why are you are applying and/or are interested in this position

a. I am interested in applying to this position because of my research interests and personal goals. I am currently studying the ecology and evolution of plants in extreme environments and how adaptation to harsh environments influence trade-offs in allocation of energy to growth and physiological tolerance among other traits. In the future, I want to be involved with problem identification and formulation of policies within the environmental science field and hope to contribute to this field. I am also fascinated with the management and conservation of agricultural lands but was further captivated by the process of it all, and the knowledge required to ensure its security and protection and believe joining this committee will help me better serve the environment and all it entails.

3. What do you feel are some of the major problems facing the students of CSULA?

a. I think that the students of CSULA genuinely want to help improve the environment we live in but are unsure of how to do so. I think a major issue is the lack of awareness of what we can do as individuals. I personally believe that structural change is imperative to transform the way we approach initiatives. And to do this, working with local government and organizations are important. An increase in educational workshops that connect students locally with their surrounding communities is something I think would be extremely beneficial. In addition to recycling papers, plastics, and aluminum items, I think recycling more items such as old laptops, cellphones, and batteries would be helpful. Incentives can be created where students are rewarded for each atypical item that would be recycled.

4. List activities and/or organizations that you have been involved with (on or off campus)

a. On campus, I am an active member of the CSULA Naturalist Club. I am also involved in outreach events with my department, where we set up educational workshops for middle school students in the Greater Los Angeles area and introduce them to ecology and various concepts in the environmental sciences. In Sacramento, I also worked with Square Root Academy, a non-profit organization that focuses on educating underrepresented youth on the fundamentals of STEM while emphasizing collaborative learning, innovation, and academic excellence. As someone who believes in serving the community around you, I have also been volunteering with the Reading Partners Los Angeles program, which focuses on underserved elementary schools and pairs tutors with students to help improve their reading skills.

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Date

Interview Time: _____

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Last Name:	Farah	Cell Phone:	916-270-7506
CIN:		Home Phone:	
Major:	Environmental Sciences	Other Phone:	
Class:	Graduate	T-Shirt Size:	
GPA:	4.0	Birthdate:	
Email:	ufarah@calstatela.edu	1974 Privacy Act:	I Accept "UF"

	YES	NO
Are you considered in GOOD STANDING with the University?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Have you been enrolled at Cal State L.A. for one (1) semester prior to application?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Undergraduate Only: Do you have a minimum 2 cumulative GPA during the last 12 months?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Graduate Only: Do you have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA during the last 12 months?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Are you available for scheduled meetings as specified in the application packet?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Do you agree to serve a minimum of two (2) hours per week physically in the ASI Offices? (Note: Board applicants agree to be available for a minimum number of service hours per week in addition to office hours as outlined in the Board of Directors Code of Procedures Policy 002)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If you are a Board of Director College Representative applicant, have you declared a major for the College position you are applying for and enrolled in at least one (1) course within the College? (Note: If you are a Charter College of Education Representative, have you declared a major in that College?)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

	N/A	YES	NO
If your BA/BS was received from Cal State LA within the past 3 years, have you earned a total of twelve (12)-units during your last year as an undergraduate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Have you earned at least six (6)-semester units per period of continuous attendance?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Will you be enrolled in at least six (6)-semester units during the term the election occurs?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Are you aware that you must maintain a minimum load of six (6)-units per semester?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Are you aware that you must maintain a 3.0 GPA each semester while in office?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Have you earned less than (50)-semester units?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If you are a new Graduate student, and are maintaining Office after one year, have you taken six (6)-units per period of continuous attendance (while you were in office the prior year?)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		