

Associated Students, Inc. ASI Cabinet of Commissioner's Application 2019-20

Application Ref ID: 4888 | Submitted: Friday, June 7, 2019 - 2:02pm

First Name: Ugbad Monday: 8AM to 6PM

Last Name: Farah Tuesday: 8AM to 11AM, 3PM to 6PM

Position: ASI Environmental Affairs Commissioner Wednesday: 8AM to 6PM

Major: Environmental Science Thursday: 8AM to 11AM, 1PM to 6PM

Class: Graduate Friday: 8AM to 9:30AM

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

I served as an ASI Environmental Policy Committee - ASI Member during the Spring 2019 semester where I partook in meetings & alongside other members, educated Cal State LA campus on the topic of environmental sustainability and environmental justice. 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 am currently pursuing a master's degree in environmental science and plan to work in policy in the future. 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

If am interested in applying to this position because of my research interests and personal goals. If am currently studying the ecology and evolution of plants in extreme environments and their adaptions to varying environmental conditions. 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. If am also fascinated with the management and conservation biology and work to gain knowledge required to ensure security and protection of ecosystems and its constituents. If believe being Environmental Affairs Commissioner will help me better serve the environment and all it entails, as I have many ideas that I would like to execute.

3. What do you feel are some of the major problems facing the students of Cal State LA?

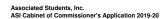
Cal State LA students want to positively contribute to the campus and the students, however many do not know how. A major is the lack of awareness of what we can do as individuals. I personally believe that structural change is imperative to transform the way we approach initiatives. And to do this, working with the student government and organizations are important, as well as faculty. The resources to change our approaches exist, and I believe we just have to tap into it. 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)

- -Earth Day (CSULA)
- -Reading Partners Los Angeles
- -Square Root Academy (Sacramento; focuses on educating underrepresented youth on the fundamentals of STEM while emphasizing collaborative learning, innovation, and academic excellence)
- -STEM Student Mentor (educational workshops for middle school students in the Greater Los Angeles area and introduce them to ecology and various concepts in the environmental sciences)
- -Coastal Clean-ups (Greater Los Angeles Area)
- -STEM Panelist (at universities, colleges, high schools)

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Interview Time:	RecommendedNot Recommended	





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Graduate Only: Do you have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA during the last 12 months?

Are you available for scheduled meetings as specified in the application packet?

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)

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