



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

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 their adaptations 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. I 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. I 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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Signature/Stamp

Date

Interview Time: _____

____ Recommended ____ Not Recommended



First Name: Ugbad Address:
 Last Name: Farah
 CIN: Cell Phone:
 Major: Environmental Science Home Phone:
 Class: Graduate Other Phone:
 GPA: 4.0 T-Shirt Size:
 Email: Birthday:
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Are you considered in GOOD STANDING with the University?	YES	NO
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"/>	X
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?)		X

	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"/>		