# Meet Your Student Government Candidates

Voting Period: April 14 - 20, 2025

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## **Brandon Trigo Foley**

#### President

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



Right now, SF State is turning its back on students. While our tuition and cost of living skyrocket, admin is slashing the very courses we need to graduate and demanding we pay even more for their mistakes.

As a first-gen student from an immigrant family, I know how important a quality, affordable education is for everyone. That is why, as your AS President, I have made affordability my mission. This year, I led the first ever fundraising campaign for Gator Groceries - raising \$50,000+ to feed hungry students, not admin salaries. I have also been fighting to increase AS scholarships by 50% and ensuring no student fees are raised on my watch.

Every Gator deserves to graduate without crushing debt and with the

classes they need. That's why we will push to freeze all mandatory student fees, fight to save our electives, and expand the GatorPass to include all breaks! We won't pay for their broken system. They expect us to give up, but we will outlast them - so let's get to work!

## Lorena Mejia

#### President

**GATORGALS** 

Hello, I am Lorena Mejia, a Criminal Justice major with a minor in Marketing, entering my final year as an undergrad. As a Latina first-generation college student from Sacramento who grew up in an immigrant household, I understand the importance of strong student representation. I know firsthand the challenges students face, and I am committed to ensuring that every student's voice is heard and represented. My priorities include protecting and advocating for our undocumented students, ensuring essential resources stay available and accessible, and making sure the board is collaboratively working to represent the students we were elected by. With experience in student government for a total of 6 years, I have served as the Student Org Representative and now Vice President of Finance. I have dedicated time, passion, and drive to advocating for students



and making real changes. My work as a student assistant for Undergraduate Admissions and Recruitment, as well as at Mashouf Wellness, has deepened my understanding of student needs, and as a former Metro student, I value the importance of support programs that help students succeed. I am running because I lead with compassion and am passionate about the work that needs to get done. Vote for me, Lorena Mejia, because I believe every voice matters! We can do this together!

## **Bella Martinez-Bernal**

#### VP of Internal Affairs

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Hello! My name is Bella Martinez-Bernal and I am currently a first year Master's student in Ethnic Studies seeking reelection as VP of Internal Affairs. I am currently a proud member of MELA de San Pancho, GUPS (General Union of Palestine Students), and Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority Inc. As someone who has been involved two historical organizations that hold offices within the Cesar Chavez Student Center, I find the CCSC and its programming very important. I believe within the spaces and programs in the center must fit the needs and wants of all students, from those heavily involved on campus and not. The programs must be accessible and known to all. I have the experience that is needed from being involved in multiple student organizations in the last six years. I understand how AS programming works from the student side as an intern

for the Women's Center during the Spring 2023 semester and have helped plan and coordinate the Cesar Chavez Mural Celebration and the Edward Said Mural Celebration with the Richard Oakes Multicultural Center. Serving on the Board of Directors this year allowed me to gain valuable insight on the importance of our programming. It is of utmost importance to me to maintain our programs and the services they offer despite the threat of budget cuts and decreasing enrollment. It would be an honor to continue to serve my peers and give them the assistance they deserve. @Thirdworldgatorz

## **Krushit Moradiya**

#### VP of Internal Affairs



As a candidate for Vice President of Internal Affairs, I am dedicated to strengthening student engagement, representation, and communication within Associated Students (AS) at San Francisco State University. My platform focuses on two key priorities: expanding diversity within AS and increasing access to student resources.

SFSU is one of the most diverse campus, and our student government should reflect that. I will work to ensure all student voices—especially those from historically underrepresented communities—are heard and included in the decision-making process. By creating more inclusive spaces and encouraging active student participation, we can make AS more dynamic, representative, and empowering.

I also recognize that many students are unaware of the incredible

programs, services, and opportunities AS provides. My goal is to improve communication across AS programs and enhance outreach so students can fully benefit from these resources. I will give feedback for more consistent, accessible feedback systems—such as standardized QR codes and response forms—to ensure every student has a say in how AS serves them.

By bridging gaps between programs, amplifying student voices, and fostering transparency, we can build a more connected, supportive campus community.

Your vote is a vote for voice, awareness, and meaningful change. Let's make AS a place where every student is heard, seen, and supported.

## **Arric Sekhon**

#### VP of Internal Affairs

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Hello Gators! My name is Arric Sekhon, and I am running for Vice President of Internal Affairs to help strengthen the connection between students and the Associated Students (AS) programs. I believe in problem-solving, innovation, and making systems work more efficiently including the resources and services that AS provides.

If elected, my goal is to ensure that AS programs truly support students' needs by improving communication, increasing accessibility, and making student life more engaging. I want to create more opportunities for student voices to be heard and acted upon. This means working closely with AS departments to enhance resources, simplify processes, and make sure every student knows how to access the services available to them.

I will also focus on collaboration between AS and different student organizations to strengthen our campus community. Whether it's academic support, career development, or student wellness, I will work to ensure that AS programs enrich your experience beyond the classroom

Together, we can build a more connected and supportive environment for all students. Vote for me, and let's make SFSU a place where everyone feels empowered to succeed!

## **Thyra Beckley**

#### VP of External Affairs

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I am running for student government to transform SFSU into an institution that actively advocates for students, strengthens policy stances, and ensures student organizations receive the support and funding they need to thrive. As a Nigerian and Sierra Leonean woman, I believe empowering all student voices and ensuring diverse representation are crucial. With my background in advocacy and policy development, I am confident my leadership can create meaningful change.

As a former Vice President of External Affairs, I worked with campus leadership and state legislators to improve student access to education, enhance campus resources, and address systemic CSU challenges. My experience as an intern for Project Rebound and as a Sexual Violence Health Prevention assistant at the Health Promotion and Wellness Center further developed my ability to advocate for students, support

them through workshops, and raise awareness on key issues. Additionally, I volunteered with the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. and served as a U.S. Leader for the World Economic Forum Al Youth Council, where I engaged in policy discussions on public safety, artificial intelligence, and human rights. Currently, as an intern for Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, I address concerns on public safety and affordable housing.

If elected, I will implement policies to address student concerns, collaborate with external policy groups, and provide valuable programming for student organizations. I am committed to amplifying student voices, safeguarding basic needs amid budget cuts, and creating a more supportive environment at SFSU.

Together, let's make SF State better for all!

## Sebastian A Bustamante Ceja

#### VP of External Affairs

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Hello!

My name is Sebastian Bustamante Ceja, and I would be honored to serve as the Vice President of External Affairs for the 2025-2026 academic year. My experiences and identities position me well to represent our student body effectively. I have a total of four years of experience in student government: two years as the Vice President of Marketing at Santa Rosa Junior College, one year as a Senate Intern, and one year as a Transfer and Nontraditional Intern at UC Riverside. Additionally, I interned with the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in Washington, DC, as a Legislative and Communication Strategist Fellow, where I advocated for the rights of students, immigrants, farm workers, and veterans.

All these experiences will now translate for the role of  $\operatorname{VP}$  of External

Affairs. I have gained a deep understanding of the community college and UC systems, and I am now ready to take on the responsibilities of advocating for our CSU institution. As we return to campus next academic year, we will face changes that will negatively impact our education. It is more crucial than ever to make our voices heard.

Upon my election, I will focus on these key goals:

- 1. Establishing a channel of communication between students and administrators at SFSU and CSU offices.
- 2. Strengthening partnerships with local institutions and fellow CSU campuses to improve advocacy at the local, state, and federal levels.
- 3. Enhancing networking opportunities and events between alumni Gators and our current student body.

## Laurissa Chai

#### VP of External Affairs



As an international student and dedicated music major at SFSU, I understand the importance of building strong connections between students, the university, and the broader community. If elected as Vice President of External Affairs, I will work to expand partnerships, create more professional development opportunities, and amplify student voices beyond campus. I aim to strengthen internships and networking opportunities with local businesses, arts organizations, and industries to enhance student career readiness. I also aim to expand community engagement programs, ensuring that students—especially international and underrepresented groups—have access to external resources and support networks. Lastly, I am committed to elevating student concerns to local and state policymakers, ensuring that our needs are heard and addressed. With my leadership experi-

ence and passion for fostering meaningful connections, I will work to make SFSU a university where students feel supported not just on campus, but also in the broader community.

## **Kevin DeAntoni**

#### VP of External Affairs



SFSU has for too long been profit-first rather than people-first. And in the face of continuous budget cuts, tuition hikes, staff layoffs, and historically low enrollment, the CSU remains silent as it pushes nameless, faceless austerity measures onto us, with little to no accountability. What's more, this same behavior is echoed here at SFSU in our own administration, and the CSU finds it not just permissible, but encourages it by way of its fiscally barbarous and flippant policies. This behavior cannot stand, and someone needs to say the quiet parts out loud. Thankfully, I have a loud personality, and I don't care what a C-suite corporatist at the CSU has to say about me.

As a long-time transportation advocate and up-and-coming Bay Area transportation management professional, I'm no stranger to having "tough" conversations, and I recognize how important it is to mobilize people around collective interests. I've consulted on legislation with Senator Aisha Wahab's office to protect transportation funding and been hailed as the foremost voice for Muni and BART riders here at SFSU. Now, I want to use my voice for you to ensure that our demands are heard and met. No administrative official is above accountability, and with me as your Vice President of External Affairs, you can rest assured knowing you elected someone who is going to fight for you, without compromise or hesitation. Vote Kevin DeAntoni for Vice President of External Affairs, and have your voice heard, loud and clear.

## **Mo Lawal**

#### VP of External Affairs



My name is Mo Lawal, and I'm a junior studying Political Science at San Francisco State University. I moved to the U.S. about four to five years ago, and growing up in Lagos, Nigeria, has taught me a lot about the importance of connecting with others beyond just the people around you. From my experiences, I've learned how crucial it is to advocate for what's needed, especially when it comes to students and the challenges they face. Back home, I saw how the lack of resources and advocacy in education made it harder for students to succeed, which is one of the reasons I'm so passionate about making sure students have a voice in decisions that impact them.

I believe advocacy is essential, and I want to bring that passion to SF State. If I were elected Vice President of External Affairs, I would work to make sure students' voices are heard not just on campus, but

also in the wider community, with local businesses, government officials, organizations, and alumni's that can make a positive change in the student experience here at sfsu. My main goal is to build strong relationships with those who can help SF State students succeed, whether through internships, funding, or support for community projects. I want to make sure students have the resources and opportunities they need to thrive, both academically and professionally. Through collaboration and outreach, I believe we can create meaningful change that benefits everyone at SF State.

## Shivani Bokka

#### **VP** of Finance

#### **GATOR SUCCESS**

I am excited to run for the position of Vice President of Finance. As a graduate student in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence with a passion for leadership and community impact, I bring both experience and dedication to serve the SFSU student body.

My journey includes running my own business and serving as a manager at a startup, where I upheld financial discipline under tight deadlines. These experiences have strengthened my financial planning, organizational, and leadership abilities—qualities essential for this role.

At SFSU, I've had the privilege of connecting with nearly every department within Associated Students through my involvement with Project Connect, Governing Gators, and the President Leadership Fellows Program. I've actively contributed to campus events and served on the Student Affairs Committee, giving me firsthand insight into the financial workings and funding processes on campus.



If elected, I will:

- Expand funding opportunities for student clubs, events, and cultural initiatives.
- Ensure transparent and timely fund allocations to student body activities.
- Collaborate with student organizations to support responsible budget planning and provide clear guidance on accessing and utilizing AS funds.
- Explore new funding opportunities and partnerships to increase AS resources and enhance support for student-led initiatives.

I am highly organized, dependable, and driven by service. My goal is to ensure every dollar spent contributes to a more vibrant, inclusive, and empowered student experience.

Vote Shivani Bokka for Vice President of Finance — because your ideas deserve to be funded.

## Jose Hernandez

#### **VP** of Finance



Hello, my name is Jose Hernandez, and I am a Business and Economics student at the Lam Family College of Business. Throughout my academic journey, I have taken numerous courses that have equipped me with the knowledge and skills necessary to serve effectively as your Vice President of Finances.

As a transfer peer mentor, I have firsthand experience with the necessities of many students. My vision is to allocate financial and other resources in a manner that prioritizes the well-being of our student population, ensuring that these resources are used efficiently and realistically. I am committed to making a positive impact and creating a much better experience for you during your time here at SF State.

## **Dulce Ramos Gomez**

#### VP of Finance

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As a first-generation Latina student, I understand what it means to navigate institutions that are not designed for us. In today's political climate, where our rights, education, and voices are continually under attack, a united student-led advocacy is more necessary than ever on campus. That is why I am running for VP of Finance to advocate for equity and help have a meaningful change at SFSU. I intend to work for policies that protect students, particularly those from underrepresented communities. I am committed to advocating for more financial aid for my peers, solidifying more housing accessibility, and overall student services that are essential to thrive, not simply sur-

vive. I will ensure that SFSU remains a safe and inclusive environment where all students feel heard and supported.

## Dylan James Beck Gillespie

#### VP of Academic Affairs

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Directing the attention towards each one of you at SFState! As a previous Associated Students Board Member representing the College of Education and even every staff member of the BOD as Chief of Staff, the responsibilities of this role have been extensively reviewed and prepared for this upcoming election. I have had many opportunities whether working to voice the prospective students as a College Counselor funneling in the upcoming Freshman class, a First Year Experience Peer Mentor guiding the newest members of our Gator population into success, or even providing my facilitation of equitable inclusion through the Kids Summer Camp at the Mashouf Wellness Center. The previous VP of Academic Affairs compiled a survey with marginalized courses that each student would love to attend or complete for each college or major responded. As the new VP of Academic, I would like to shed light upon

the representation of each major, college, or minor present in the student body. With increasingly more impactful movements or subsiding that are current around our political, social, and economic times, we as a student body need to come together to depict, that WE WILL NOT BE SILENCED! Whether by the decreasing funding or budget, closing and cutting of courses or even majors, and even the values or morals that are upheld within our college clubs and organizations. I am here to ECHO your voices across each and every educational pathway we offer on this campus! Vote for Dylan Gillespie as the student's next Vice President of Academic Affairs.

## Elsy Hernandez-Monroy

#### VP of Academic Affairs

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Our university is slashing upper-division electives, firing faculty, and leaving students stranded without the classes they need to graduate. With tuition increasing 6% every year for the next four years, it is completely unacceptable that we are being asked to pay more and get less.

Serving as your current Director of Social Justice and Equity and one of your Academic Senators, I've already voted against proposals to eliminate entire degree programs. But the truth is, students still don't have enough say in the future of our university. That's why I'll push to establish advisory boards for every college and major department, ensuring we have real voting power over course offerings and budget cuts.

As a former CFA student organizer, I've fought against course cuts and faculty layoffs across the CSU. In my current job on campus, I help students secure internships and mentor new hires. And as your VP of Academic Affairs, I will never back down from holding admin accountable for reckless cuts. I will fight to expand career opportunities for Gators and protect the quality of our education. Our voices are so much louder together, and we cannot back down now!

## **Jatan Mandaliya**

#### VP of Academic Affairs

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I'm Jatan Mandaliya, and unlike someone just learning the system, I bring two years of direct experience as a Vice President of Academic Development from my undergraduate college. This isn't just about understanding the issues; it's about knowing how to effectively address them. My primary focus is clear: to fight tirelessly against the impact of budget cuts on course offerings at SFSU. I hear your frustrations about impacted classes and closed majors, and I'm committed to being your strong advocate to ensure you get the education you deserve. I'm committed to ensuring that every student has access to comprehensive academic advising that guides them towards their goals, advocating for enhanced mental health resources to support your well-being throughout your academic journey, and working to improve the overall quality and accessibility of your educational experience. My experience has taught me the

importance of not just listening to student concerns, but proactively implementing solutions that create a tangible difference. I'm ready to leverage my proven track record to empower your academic success at SFSU. Vote Jatan Mandaliya for a VP of Academic Affairs who is prepared, experienced, and focused on your holistic academic needs.

## **Janel Anderson**

#### **Graduate Representative**

**GATOR SUCCESS** 



I am running for an AS position to enhance student access to career development and academic resources at SFSU. As a master's student in Quantitative Economics and an active graduate assistant in the Braven program, I understand the importance of mentorship and professional growth. If elected, I will advocate for more internship opportunities, expanded networking events, and increased collaboration between student organizations. My goal is to create an inclusive environment where all students can thrive academically and professionally. I am committed to leading with integrity and making a positive impact on our campus community.

## **Shivani Modha**

#### Graduate Representative

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Hello, I'm Shivani! I am a first-year Ethnic Studies M.A. candidate, and I am running for Graduate Representative. My goal as Graduate Representative is to create a united graduate community. In doing so, I hope to address the concerns of graduate departmental/financial transparency, resources for post-graduate employment, and graduate disability accommodations through monthly Graduate Town Hall meetings. Additionally, as Graduate Representative, I will work closely with the Vice President of Academic Affairs to address these needs and concerns. My work as a Graduate Office Assistant to the Dean of the College of Ethnic Studies also provides me with the knowledge and the motivation to not only amplify voices, but to make graduate students' needs come to fruition. Lastly, I am running

because of my passion for campus engagement and student solidarity work. A vote for Shivani Modha is a VOTE FOR YOU!

## Chetas Nikunjbhai Parekh

#### Graduate Representative



Hello Gators!

My name is Chetas, and I'm a graduate student in Computer Science here at SFSU. I'm running to be your next Graduate Representative in the Associated Students because I believe that every voice deserves to be heard, and every concern deserves to be addressed.

As a fellow graduate student, I understand the unique challenges we face, balancing research, coursework, jobs, and personal lives, all while striving to succeed. I want to create stronger support systems that truly reflect our needs. Whether it's better access to academic resources, mental health support, career opportunities, or simply a more inclusive and connected graduate community, I'm here to listen, advocate, and take action.

In the past, I've taken on leadership roles that involved organizing events, managing teams, and helping others grow. Now, I want to use those experiences to build bridges between graduate students and the university, ensuring that our voices are not only heard but also valued.

If elected, I plan to introduce initiatives like monthly town halls, wellness and career development programs, and improved communication channels so you always know what's happening and how you can be involved.

Your experience as a graduate student matters. Let's work together to make it better.

Vote Chetas N Parekh for Graduate Representative

-because your voice deserves a seat at the table.

## **Devkumar Patel**

#### Graduate Representative



As a dedicated finance student at SFSU, I am excited to run for the Graduate Representative position in Associated Students. I am committed to ensuring that graduate students have a strong voice in student government and that their unique needs are recognized and addressed.

If elected, my primary goal is to enhance academic and professional development opportunities for graduate students by advocating for increased funding for research, networking events, and career workshops. I also aim to improve campus resources, such as study spaces and mental health support, to better accommodate the demands of graduate education.

Additionally, I will work to strengthen the sense of community among graduate students by promoting collaboration between departments

and organizing social and academic events. By fostering better communication between students and university administration, I will ensure that our concerns are heard and acted upon.

I bring experience in leadership, financial analysis, and student advocacy, which will help me effectively represent the graduate student body. I am eager to listen, collaborate, and take action to make our campus a more supportive and enriching environment for all graduate students.

I would be honored to serve as your Graduate Representative and work toward meaningful improvements at SFSU. I look forward to the opportunity to advocate for you.

## Vikas Sharma

#### Graduate Representative



Hi, I'm Vikas Sharma—a Master's student in Computer Science and your current Graduate Representative on the Associated Students Board. I'm running for re-election because I believe graduate voices deserve louder representation, stronger advocacy, and real results—and I'm not done fighting for you yet.

Here's what I've been working on:

- Reduced Tuition for TAs and RAs: I've been championing lower tuition for teaching and research assistants—because supporting those who support the university should be a no-brainer.
- Bringing Back Cut Courses: As Vice Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, I'm co-leading a campus-wide survey to identify high-demand, cut classes so we can push to restore them.
- Adding New Courses to Degree Programs: The same survey empowers students to suggest new classes they want added to their pro-

grams—so we can shape our degrees, not just follow them.

- Free Gator Pass Year-Round: On the Student Fee Advisory Committee, I'm pushing to make the Gator Pass free during summer and winter, valid across all Bay Area transit, and fighting fee hikes.
- Mashouf Wellness Center Enhancements: I served on the Mashouf Wellness Center Advisory Committee (MWCAC). With 500+ days of lived experience working at the MWC, I advocated for service improvements amid budget cuts.
- Al Tools for Students: As a member of SF State's Advisory Committee on Student Al Programming, I helped secure free premium ChatGPT access for all students.

If you believe in bold advocacy and real change, I'd be honored to have your vote. Let's keep building together.

## **Denise Bejines**

### Business Representative

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Hello! My name is Denise. I am thrilled to be running for AS Business Representative because I believe in creating opportunities for all students to thrive-especially those whose voices are often underrepresented. I've been deeply involved in orgs such as MELA, GUPS where I've learned how to bring people together, plan effectively, and advocate for student needs. I understand how important it is to have leaders who not only understand business but also understand our challenges, our dreams, and our potential.

As a proud, first generation student, I know what it's like to navigate the college experience while also carrying the weight of representation. I want to use this platform to not only push for innovation on campus, but to make sure that everyone's voices are heard. I am constantly looking for different avenues to build community as someone

who works as a DA on campus. I have been able to connect and help residents with many resources and strive to do the same as a Representative. I bring experience, perspective and a strong sense of purpose. I look forward to learning from your experiences, and turning ideas into actions. Let's build something great together.

## **Ganya Bhatti**

#### Business Representative



I am running for re-election as Business Representative because I am passionate about creating an inclusive, supportive, and dynamic campus experience for all students at SFSU. Over the past year, I've had the privilege of working closely with students, faculty, and administration to ensure that student voices are heard and their needs are addressed. My goal is to continue advocating for resources and opportunities that foster student success, both academically and professionally.

If re-elected, I aim to expand networking and internship opportunities with local businesses, ensuring that every student has access to career development tools and experiences that will prepare them for the future. I also plan to work closely with student organizations and faculty to create programs that support mental health and academic well-being, understanding how essential these factors are to student success.

My commitment is to make sure that all students, regardless of their background or field of study, have access to the resources and opportunities they need to thrive. I will continue to be an advocate for a more connected, resourceful campus, where students' voices drive positive change.

With your support, I will continue to serve you, listening to your concerns, and working to improve the SFSU experience for everyone. Together, we can make our campus an even better place for all students to grow and succeed.

## **Christian Flower**

#### Business Representative

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As a candidate, my platform is centered on advocating for students' academic success, particularly within the business department at SFSU. With the recent budget cuts across all CSU campuses, many essential classes and resources are at risk, potentially delaying students' graduation and limiting their educational opportunities. If elected, I will work to ensure that the business department has the necessary tools, courses, and support systems to help students thrive.

My main goals include fighting for the retention of critical business courses, expanding access to academic resources, and collaborating with faculty and administration to find innovative solutions to budget constraints. I will advocate for increased funding, push for alternative course offerings (such as hybrid or online options), and ensure that

students' concerns are heard at the administrative level.

By prioritizing transparency and student involvement, I aim to create open lines of communication where students can voice their needs and concerns. The success of the business department directly impacts the future careers of many students, and I am committed to protecting and enhancing its resources to ensure a strong educational foundation for all. If elected, I will be a dedicated advocate for business students and work tirelessly to make sure their academic journey at SFSU is not compromised.

## **Hardik Patel**

#### Business Representative

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As an international student from India, I have firsthand experience with the challenges of adjusting to a new environment, navigating campus resources, and building a strong support system. I am running for an Associated Students (AS) position to advocate for inclusivity, accessibility, and student empowerment at SFSU.

My platform focuses on three key areas:

- 1. Enhancing Student Resources.
- 2. Fostering Cultural & Community Engagement.
- 3. Improving Student Work & Housing Opportunities.

If elected, I will ensure that student voices are heard and that AS actively works towards solutions that prioritize student well-being, academic suc-

cess, and professional growth. Together, we can make SFSU a more inclusive, supportive, and opportunity-rich environment for all.

I would be honored to serve as your representative—let's build a stronger campus community together!

Hardik Patel

## Gisselle Santiago

#### **Business Representative**



As a candidate for the Business Representative position, I am committed to bridging the gap between SFSU's business students and campus leadership. My platform focuses on expanding career development opportunities, fostering connections with industry professionals, and enhancing access to internships and mentorship programs.

I believe that by collaborating with faculty, local businesses, and student organizations, we can create more workshops, networking events, and resources that prepare students for success beyond graduation.

Transparency and open communication will be at the heart of my approach. I will ensure that student voices are heard, and their needs

are prioritized. Together, we can make the business school experience more enriching, inclusive, and aligned with students' professional goals.

## **Pulkit Singh**

#### **Business Representative**



I am running for AS Business Representative to advocate for the academic and professional success of business students at SFSU. As a business student, I want to work towards providing business students with better networking opportunities, more career resources, and better course availability, so that it can guide them through this challenging and difficult period the University is facing with reduced funding and faculty cuts.

If elected, I will work to expand internship and mentorship programs, collaborating with Career Services and Professional Development. Moreover, I will advocate for more funding for business clubs, ensuring they have the resources to host impactful events and workshops. Additionally, I will push for enhanced financial literacy programs to empower students with budgeting, investing, and entrepreneurship skills.

My goal is to bridge the gap between students and administration, ensuring the Lam Family College of Business and its students can thrive and realize their potential. I am committed to making sure every student has access to the tools and opportunities needed for success in school and beyond.

## \*\*Write-In's Only\*\*

#### **Education Representative**



## **Verónica Turner**

## Ethnic Studies Representative

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I am choosing to run as the College of Ethnic Studies rep because I want to do everything I can to keep the college safe and respected on campus. The College of Ethnic Studies has a unique legacy that needs to be especially advocated for in this upcoming presidential term. I am completely committed to a life of Ethnic Studies work, and I will make sure as representative to always act in the interest of the college, its professors and its students.

## **Kamille Breiz**

### Health & Social Sciences Rep.

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My name is Kamille Breiz, and I'm a second-year Public Health major with a Minor in Race and Resistance. I'm involved in MELA de San Pancho, GUPS (the General Union of Palestine Students), and I currently serve as the Chapter President of Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. Through these organizations, I've had the opportunity to advocate for students and our communitie which is something I'm truly passionate about.

I'm running for Associated Students because I want to make sure student voices are heard and represented in the spaces that matter. Being born and raised in San Francisco, I've always been surrounded by community work and activism, which has shaped my education and my values. Taking ethnic studies courses since high school has helped me understand the importance of history, representation, and fighting for change.

As your Health and Social Science College Representative, I want to bridge the gap between Associated Students and our communities. Our needs, concerns, and ideas deserve real action, and I'm ready to advocate for all students.

## Jasmine Kimbrough

#### Health & Social Sciences Rep.

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I wish to run for the Health and Social Sciences Representative because of my interest with campus events and advocating for students to improve the quality of campus life. Within the CJ department I have made connections with many faculty and students who have shared issues, such as class schedules and post-graduation plans, that I wish to address. I have done extensive work on the problems at SF State regarding the lack of courses offered and I want to help struggling students by providing the best courses to help them stay on track for graduation. Being an SQE intern has allowed me to work closely with CFA and understand how this affects both students and faculty

Additionally, I believe the best way for students to be driven and stay involved on campus is through educational/work opportunities. Navigating college as a first-generation student was difficult, I had no idea how to

make connections or learn various career paths at first. My goal is to create accessible opportunities to allow for networking events, internships, and job offers for people that are interested. Many students that I have talked to have a fear about their future post-graduation due to lack of direction and knowledge- these events can alleviate the stress of career options pre and post grad. If elected, I wish to be a strong voice for students to speak against issues they are facing and make each step of my term count towards a better campus with happier students.

## Ryan Alexander

#### Liberal & Creative Arts Rep.

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Here at SFSU, it is important to have diversity and different perspectives on a student body platform and in a University setting. As an non-traditional student, photographer, artist & cinema professional. Growing up in the 90's, my unique perspective offers a plethora of new, exciting and revised ideas from days gone by. Nostalgia. In hopes, this will help guide the next generation of artists and students alike down a more robust and fulling path. I can not think how enlightening it would be for these generation to have experienced a fraction of what my generation has. Having the mystery and wonderment and not relying on google for your curiosities. For starters, some of my main goals are to offer a more traditional, but diverse P.O.V. and be more aware of our greater places in the world. Reignite and Incorporate ideals such as the golden years of Hollywood and the

Hey-Days of San Francisco. I know my diverse background and experience would help set this Cal State campus apart from the others. Offering innovative tangible ideas, perspectives for art, cinema and the creative liberal arts.

## Rachael Ballard

#### Liberal & Creative Arts Rep.

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Hi, I'm Rachael Ballard, a second-year student majoring in History and Race and Resistance. Currently, I serve as the Vice President and academic chair of Sigma Lambda Gamma, a multicultural sorority on campus. I spent my first year working two jobs, commuting home, and through that I learned how to balance school with life. I can appreciate having a busy life but still being invested in my education and community. I understand the urge to better our campus, but it is harder because we are a commuter campus. I want to change that, I want students to feel as though they have a voice and are advocated for. I'm eager to take on new challenges and actively contribute to our college campus community. I believe that joining the AS Board of Directors (BOD) will allow me to hit the ground running and provide a meaningful platform to represent and advocate for my community here on campus. I'm particularly pas-

sionate about ensuring that LCA College is well-represented, especially given the ongoing budget cuts. Since last spring alone, over 300 class sections were cut, and this has a direct impact on our ability to graduate on time. As someone who is committed to finishing my degree within the expected timeframe, I know many others in LCA feel the same way. I want to be part of the solution, ensuring that we continue to receive the education we deserve despite these challenges.

## **Jeanan Ahmad**

### Science & Engineering Rep.

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



As a passionate Biochemistry major and current board member of the Chemistry and Biochemistry Student Association (CBSA), I am committed to strengthening the community of Science and Engineering students at SFSU. Through my leadership experience in CBSA and as the founder of the Arabs in STEM association on campus, I have worked to create inclusive spaces where students feel seen, supported, and connected. I understand the challenges STEM students face, from finding research opportunities to building meaningful networks, and I am dedicated to improving that experience for everyone. As your Representative of Science and Engineering, my main goals are to expand access to research and internship opportunities by partnering with faculty and local organizations, increase community-building events across departments to help students col-

laborate and thrive socially and academically, and advocate for resources that support your success, including study spaces, tutoring, and funding for STEM organizations. My candidacy is about bringing real change and ensuring that the voices of Science and Engineering students are heard and prioritized. I will work to make SFSU a place where all STEM students, no matter their background, can feel confident in their future and supported in their journey. I would be honored to represent you and continue building a stronger, more connected SFSU campus.

## Eli Mehrling

#### Science & Engineering Rep.



It would be my honor to provide the students of SFSU with strong and unyielding representation. To the student body at large – we exist in opposition to the administration whose ultimate goal is to increase profit at our expense.

To the science and engineering departments – we focus heavily on our studies instead of school politics which often leads to an underrepresentation of our issues. From surveying members of the engineering department these issues include a lack of class selection, outdated information on university websites, and reduced funding for senior projects.

As a transfer student, research assistant, Vice President of the Pioneers of Clean Tech and Sustainability club, and member of many other clubs I am in a unique position to grasp different perspectives of our diverse student body.

If you elect me as your Representative for Science and Engineering, I promise I will work tirelessly to represent you. My ears will be open, and I will remain available to personally hear from you or any student about your concerns or issues and make it my mission to bring these directly to the Administration.

Thank you for your support,

Eli Mehrling 3rd Year Civil Engineering Student.

## Samarth Pandya

### Science & Engineering Rep.



As a dedicated astrophysics student deeply involved in the SFSU community, I'm committed to amplifying the voices of the College of Science and Engineering. My platform centers on direct representation and collaborative action. I will actively engage with students across all departments, ensuring their needs are heard by the Dean's Office and the university administration.

My experience as a Calculus I instructor and SPACE Club President has equipped me with strong leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills. I understand the challenges students face and am prepared to advocate for improved resources, enhanced academic support, and greater opportunities for research and innovation within our college.

If elected, my main goals are: 1) to establish regular forums for student feedback, 2) to work with the VP of Academic Affairs to address concerns regarding course availability and academic advising, and 3) to promote interdisciplinary collaboration within the College of Science and Engineering. My candidacy offers a bridge between students and administration, ensuring that the College of Science and Engineering thrives as a supportive and dynamic academic environment.

## **Jacqline Patino**

#### Science & Engineering Rep.

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Hi, I'm Jacqline Patino, a junior majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Physics. I am running for the position of Science and Engineering Representative because I am passionate about improving opportunities and support for students in our college. My main goal is to bridge the gap between academics and real-world experience by advocating for more hands-on learning opportunities that strengthen our resumes and career readiness.

I also want to improve academic advising within the College of Science and Engineering, ensuring that students receive clearer guidance on course selection, career pathways, and resources available to them. Additionally, as a woman in STEM, I am committed to fostering an inclusive environment that supports and uplifts women in this male-dominated field.

Lastly, I believe it's essential to highlight and expand access to the many resources SFSU already offers, from career services to research opportunities. By making these tools more visible and accessible, we can ensure that every student has the support they need for a smooth transition into life after graduation.

I would be honored to represent you and work toward these goals together, so we can create a stronger, more connected community within Science and Engineering!

## **Shreya Rameshwar**

### Science & Engineering Rep.



I am devoted towards fostering innovation, enhancing academic experience and amplifying the voices of students within the College of Science and Engineering. Right now is a pivotal moment for the Science and Engineering community - with the launch of the SEIC Innovation Center, and the introduction of new resources and cutting-edge facilities - I want to make sure that every student benefits from these opportunities.

I am focused on being a strong bridge of connection between the students and the university leadership, ensuring that our voices and concerns are heard, and creating an environment where every student thrives and reaches their full potential. I strive to build a stronger community, encourage collaboration and innovation across disciplines through events, workshops and networking opportunities. I will

collaborate with faculty and industry partners to provide better networking opportunities and increase access to valuable real-world experience through research roles and internships. I also aim to improve the student support system by improving access to academic, mental health and mentorship- related resources. With your support, we can pave the way for a stronger, more connected, and innovative science community at SFSU.

## **Abhishek Rangani**

#### Science & Engineering Rep.



"Think Sci. Think Tech. Think Abhie."

I'm Abhishek Rangani, a sophomore Computer Science major at SFSU, currently serving as a Teaching Assistant for CSC 101. Throughout my journey, I've had the privilege of leading events like SF Hacks and am excited to soon launch the Google Developer Group (GDG) here at SFSU. These experiences have not only deepened my passion for tech but have also taught me the importance of community and collaboration in driving innovation.

As I run for Science and Technology Representative, my vision is to build a stronger, more connected tech community on campus. I aim to increase resources and funding for student tech clubs and events, create more opportunities for networking with industry professionals, and en-

sure that every student has the support they need to thrive. I want to amplify student voices and foster an environment where science and technology continue to be at the forefront of SFSU's growth.

I believe that with the right resources and support, we can not only push the boundaries of what's possible but also ensure that every student has the chance to be a part of that change. Think Sci. Think Tech. Think Abhie.

## **Rehmat Singh Gill**

#### Science & Engineering Rep.



I am running to ensure every student in the College of Science and Engineering has access to the resources, opportunities, and support needed to succeed. If elected, I will advocate for better research opportunities, stronger industry connections for internships, improved lab facilities, and expanded mentorship programs.

I am committed to pushing for career development workshops, and a stronger voice for students in decision-making. My goal is to foster an innovative, inclusive, and well-equipped learning environment.

Your concerns matter, and I am ready to take action.

## Diana Zaghoul

## Science & Engineering Rep.

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My name is Diana Zaghoul, and I am excited to run for Science & Engineering Representative because I am deeply committed to supporting STEM students in their academic and professional journeys. As a premed student, I understand firsthand the challenges that come with science and engineering coursework, and I want to ensure that every student has access to the resources and opportunities they need to succeed.

If elected, my priority will be to make STEM more accessible and inclusive for all. I will advocate for expanded tutoring programs, more networking opportunities, and increased access to internships and research positions. Additionally, I want to improve our labs and study spaces to ensure they are fully equipped to support students in their learning and innovation.

Most importantly, I want to be a strong voice for the Science and Engineering community. Your concerns matter, and I am committed to making sure they are heard and addressed. Together, we can create a more supportive, collaborative, and thriving STEM environment at SFSU.

### **Natalia Arevalo**

### Dir. of Health, Recreation, & Wellness

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



Hello, everyone! My name is Natalia Arévalo and I am running for Director of Recreation, Health & Wellness.

As a former student-athlete in volleyball, soccer, basketball, and softball, I've learned the power of teamwork, balance, and community. My involvement with cultural and mental health organizations — along with my work in MELA and GUPS — has shaped me into a compassionate leader who is committed to advocating for student needs.

I transferred to SF State because I wasn't able to reach my health and wellness goals at my previous college — and I know how isolating it can feel when you don't have access to the resources you need to thrive. That's why I'm passionate about protecting and expanding

the wellness services we have here. I also want to be inclusive towards commuter students, making sure their needs are represented and that events are as accessible as possible. For me, this is personal — and it's exactly why I want to advocate for my community.

If elected, I'm committed to ensuring every student has access to the resources they need for a stable, healthy, and fulfilling college experience — physically, mentally, and emotionally. I want to be in a position where student voices are not only heard but acted on. A vote for me is a vote for accountability, action, and care.

I'm approachable, dedicated, and ready to represent you with compassion and commitment. Thank you for your time and consideration!

## **Daivik Domadiya**

#### Dir. of Health, Recreation, & Wellness

**GATORGALS** 



Hey Gators,

I'm Daivik Domadiya, and I'm running for Director of Recreation, Health & Wellness with the Associated Students at SFSU. As an international student, I know firsthand how difficult it can be to adjust to life here. The pressure of academics, coupled with the stress of adapting to a new environment, can take a toll on our mental and physical well-being.

That's why I am deeply passionate about advocating for better mental health services, more accessible recreation opportunities, and an overall focus on student wellness. We need a campus environment that supports us not just academically, but holistically, where we can thrive mentally, emotionally, and physically.

The challenges we face as students shouldn't be faced alone, and it's

time we shift the focus from just academic success to overall well-being. Whether it's reducing stress through accessible recreational activities, providing more mental health resources, or creating a culture of wellness across campus – I'm committed to making it happen.

But I can't do it without you. Together, we can build a healthier, more inclusive campus where students feel supported, not just in their studies, but in their personal lives too.

Your vote means a commitment to a healthier, more balanced student experience. Let's work together to make a real difference for every student.

Thank you for your support!

### Jesa Robis

#### Dir. of Health, Recreation, & Wellness



My name is Jesa Robis, and I am a Nutrition and Dietetics major. I am running for Director of Health, Wellness, and Recreation because I believe every student deserves access to the resources and support needed to thrive mentally, physically, and emotionally.

My mission is to build a campus environment where holistic well-being is a top priority. If elected, I will advocate for stronger mental health services—more counseling appointments, peer support groups, and wellness workshops—to help students navigate stress, anxiety, and burnout with compassion and care.

As a Nutrition and Dietetics student, I understand the importance of accessible, nutritious, and affordable meals. I will work with dining services to ensure students are offered healthy options that fuel both academic success and overall well-being.

To encourage active lifestyles, I plan to expand free group fitness classes, intramural sports, and outdoor activities that bring students together and promote balance. During stressful academic periods like finals, I will implement initiatives such as relaxation zones, therapy animal visits, and mindfulness sessions to help students manage pressure in healthy ways.

Education is key to long-term wellness, so I will promote health literacy through interactive workshops and easy-to-access online resources that empower students to take charge of their well-being.

Ultimately, my goal is to foster a healthier, more resilient, and connected campus community. With your support, we can create a culture where wellness, connection, and student success thrive—both in and out of the classroom. Let's build a campus where student wellness truly flourishes.

## Monika Hakobyan

## Dir. of Sustainability & Basic Needs

**GATOR SUCCESS** 



I am running for the director of sustainability and basic needs because I believe that access to food is a basic need. Working with calfresh on campus has shown me that there are alot of programs available for students to utilize to get access to food, my goal is to make these resources known and more accessible for everyone . Being able to speak and understand three languages allows me reach a broader audience here on campus. I will provide students all the tools they need to succeed through access to food and other basic needs. I am dedicated to provide students with knowledge and resources.

## Saajan Paudel

### Dir. of Sustainability & Basic Needs

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



Hi Everyone, My name is Saajan Paudel, and I am excited to be running for reelection to be your Director of Sustainability and Basic Needs for one more year! Unfortunately, food insecurity remains a critical challenge at SF State, affecting students across all backgrounds. That's why I've fought to improve Gator Groceries' food quality and expand our outreach - because access to healthy, nutritious food is a fundamental right. And no student should have to choose between buying textbooks and going hungry at night.

Our campus must also become a leader in sustainability. I have been pushing for SF State to transition to 100% renewable energy because we need our campus to invest in us. Together, we'll build a university where basic needs are met and environmental justice is non-negotiable.

Together we stand strong with the people, for the people!

## Vihaan Shah

## Dir. of Sustainability & Basic Needs

**GATORGALS** 



As a Computer Science major candidate for the Director of Sustainability and Basic Needs, I bring a different perspective and a lot of experience to the table to help solve issues that SFSU faces. In a generation where everything is easier digitally, my campaign is built on using technology and innovation to help make our campus more sustainable and equitable, and ensuring that students' basic needs are fulfilled.

My work with the Associated Students Farmers Market has provided me with direct experience in access to fresh, affordable food and sustainability initiatives. As a part of this position, I have worked with local vendors and advertised initiatives for the students that are both nutritionally valuable and environmentally sustainable. This has increased my knowledge of the relationship between sustainability and basic needs, and I look forward to expanding these initiatives across campus.

My top priority, if elected, is bridging the gap between sustainability initiatives and student accessibility. I will advocate for the growth of sustainable initiatives, such as expanding composting and recycling programs, reducing single-use plastics, and promoting energy-efficient options all around

My background in Computer Science puts me in a good position to create data-driven metrics to track and improve these initiatives. My campaign is the best for SFSU as it promotes a culture of sustainability and diversity. I will see to it that all students have the resources they need to succeed, while striving to achieve a greener, more sustainable campus. Together, we can create a stronger, sustainable SFSU community.

## **Aniket Agicha**

## Dir. of Gov't & Community Relations

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



Hello Gators! My name is Aniket Agicha, and I'm a Computer Science major running for the position of Director of Government & Community Relations. I'm passionate about using communication and technology to bring people together and amplify student voices across and beyond our campus. If elected, I will focus on strengthening the relationships between the SFSU community, Associated Students, the university, and external partners. I believe in building real connections that lead to real change.

In this role, I would work hard to lead Lobby Corps and support grass-roots advocacy efforts that empower students to engage civically and speak up on issues that matter. I would also serve as Co-Vice Chair of the External Affairs Committee, helping ensure that our student concerns are heard and addressed both locally and at the state level.

As the secondary voting representative for the California State Student Association, I will represent our campus's interests and push for policies that truly reflect the needs of SFSU students.

I want to make civic engagement more accessible and exciting, and I'm committed to creating inclusive opportunities for students to get involved, learn, and lead. With your support, I hope to build stronger bridges between students and the systems that serve them. Let's work together to make your voice not only heard—but felt.

Vote Aniket Agicha for Director of Government & Community Relations — because your voice deserves action.

## **Emma Alvarez**

## Dir. of Gov't & Community Relations



My platform for Director of Government and Community Relations at San Francisco State University is built on advocacy, collaboration, and civic engagement. I am committed to strengthening relationships between the SFSU community, Associated Students, the university, and external partners to ensure that student voices are heard and represented.

If elected, I will work to enhance communication and cooperation among students, university leadership, and local government officials. I will oversee Lobby Corps and grassroots advocacy efforts, empowering students to engage in policy discussions, advocate for student needs, and drive meaningful change.

As Co-Vice Chair of the External Affairs Committee, I will ensure that student concerns are effectively communicated and addressed within

AS and beyond. Additionally, in my role as the secondary voting representative for the California State Student Association.

My main goals include: Strengthening student advocacy by expanding opportunities for direct engagement with policymakers. Building stronger partnerships between students, the university, and community organizations. Increasing civic participation through education, outreach, and legislative initiatives.

Through my leadership, I will ensure that students are informed, empowered, and actively involved in shaping policies that impact their education and future.

## **Lucy Rios**

### Dir. of Gov't & Community Relations

#### **GATOR SUCCESS**

Hi SFSU community! My name is Lucy Rios and I am a junior studying History and Political Science. I am running for A.S. Director of Government & Community Relations.

Our campus can—and should—be better. After speaking with students, it's clear that major challenges like safety, isolation, and career development deserve greater attention and support. Many students feel unheard, unsupported, and unsure of where to turn for help. I've experienced these struggles firsthand, and I'm committed to making real changes.

With two years as a Residential Assistant and one year as a representative on the Directors Advisory Council, I've worked closely with students and administrators to address key concerns. I believe in proactive, student-centered solutions that create lasting impact.

If elected, I will:

- Expand Career & Academic Support
  - Partner with the Career & Leadership Development Office to increase resources for first-generation students, graduating se-

niors, and graduate students

- Advocate for major-specific career fairs, networking events, and mentorship programs to help students transition from college to career
- Enhance Campus Safety & Student Rights
  - Push for more accessible safe spaces on campus
  - Provide clear resources on student rights, advocacy tools, and our rights beyond campus
- Foster Student Connection & Representation
  - Strengthen communication between students and administration to ensure our voices are heard
  - Develop initiatives that create a stronger sense of belonging within the SFSU community

I am dedicated to making our university a place where every student feels safe, supported, and empowered. Together, we can create meaningful change!

## Malhar Mehul Kansara

#### Dir. of Facilities & Operations

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



As a candidate for Director of Facilities and Operations, my goal is to make SFSU a safer, cleaner, and more accessible place for all students. I want to ensure that our campus buildings, classrooms, and common spaces are well-maintained and easy to use. If elected, I will work to improve the process for reporting and fixing facility issues, so problems get solved quickly. I will also focus on making our campus more eco-friendly by promoting energy-saving upgrades and reducing waste. Another goal is to create more useful spaces for students, like study areas and places to relax, by better using underused parts of campus. Lastly, I will push for improvements to make all campus facilities easier to access for students with disabilities. My goal is to help create a campus where students feel comfortable, supported, and proud of the spaces we share.

## Jaideep Reddy Gade

### Dir. of Facilities & Operations

**GATOR SUCCESS** 



Through my involvement with Project Connect, Governing Gators, and the IEEC, I've worked closely with students and staff to identify needs and propose creative solutions that make campus life better and more inclusive.

If elected, I will:

- Advocate for the renovation of outdated facilities, transforming them into modern, student-centered spaces.
- Increase operational hours for key locations like the J. Paul Leonard Library, Mashouf Wellness Center, and on-campus dining halls

to give students greater access to essential services.

- Enhance safety measures—with better lighting, signage, and proactive maintenance.
- Reimagine student spaces with a focus on sustainability—working toward a
  greener campus by introducing solar-powered systems, energy-efficient lighting, and sustainable electricity solutions that reduce our environmental impact.
- Launch a QR-based reporting system to address facility issues quickly and transparently.
- Host monthly feedback forums to keep your voice at the center of decision-making.

Together, we can make SFSU a safer, greener, and more student-focused campus.

Vote Jaideep for Director of Facilities and Operations—because your comfort, safety, and future matter.

## **Dhvanil Bhagat**

### Dir. of Social Justice & Equity

**GATORGALS** 



I'm Dhvanil Bhagat, and I'm running for Director of Social Justice & Equity because I believe that equity isn't just a principle—it's something we must actively fight for. Every student at SFSU deserves to be heard, supported, and empowered, no matter their background or circumstances.

Right now, students face real challenges—whether it's struggling to access financial aid, finding academic support, or dealing with systemic barriers that make success harder. I will work to remove these obstacles and ensure every student gets the help they need without unnecessary hurdles.

I will push for real student representation in decision-making spaces,

making sure that the university listens to our concerns and takes action. I will advocate for an inclusive curriculum and fair resource distribution, so no student feels overlooked in their education. I will create transparent and direct channels between students and administration to ensure concerns are heard and addressed with accountability.

We need more than just words—we need action. I am committed to real change, real advocacy, and real results.

If you believe in equity, action, and a campus where every student thrives, vote for me, and let's build this vision together.

## Noemi Buenrostro -Perez

#### Dir. of Social Justice & Equity

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



Hello! I'm Noemi (Mimi) Buenrostro-Perez, and I'm excited to be running for Director of Social Justice & Equity. I am Chicana and the daughter of immigrants. I've been active in the social justice space since high school-organizing a walkout around student safety. Social justice is a core value I take seriously, reflected in my involvement with student organizations like GUPS and MELA. As a Race & Resistance Studies major, I've dedicated my education and activism to building a more just and equitable world. If elected, I will ensure that the voices of students are heard and that our campus's legacy of social justice remains strong, authentic, and honored. Together, we can continue pushing for meaningful change and a more inclusive community.

## **Harry Kakadiya**

## Dir. of Social Justice & Equity

**GATOR SUCCESS** 



I'm running for Director of Social Justice & Equity because I believe in providing a fair, inclusive, and supportive environment for all SFSU students. We must continue to prioritize social justice and equity on our campus. If elected, my primary goal would be to promote and strengthen our diversity and inclusion programs. I will make sure that SFSU remains a place where every student, regardless of background, feels respected and supported.

One of my top responsibilities is to develop educational programs and events that build awareness about the value of social justice, equality, and diversity. These programs will help all students understand and appreciate the diversity of our campus and encourage them to engage in conversations about inclusion. I want to ensure that every student has an equal opportunity to succeed academically, socially, and personally.

My candidacy focuses on creating a community in which everyone is treated with decency and respect. If elected, I intend to work relentlessly to create SFSU as a more inclusive, just, and equal environment for all students.

## Yash Bhadiyadra

### Student Org Representative

**GATORGALS** 



Hey Gators, I'm Yash Bhadiyadra, a Computer Science graduate student at SFSU, and I'm running for Student Org Representative. Over the past 1.5 years, I've had the privilege of working as a Student Org Assistant, collaborating with over 250 student organizations to ensure they succeed on campus. I've assisted in navigating the complex funding application process, managing event logistics, and offering continuous support to overcome the various challenges organizations face.

Throughout my work, I've seen how time-consuming and confusing the funding process can be. Many student organizations struggle with delays in approval, lack of clear communication, and logistical challenges that hinder their ability to thrive. These challenges need a dedicated advocate to make sure that the processes are more effi-

cient and transparent.

If elected, I will focus on streamlining the funding process, ensuring that organizations receive the support they need quickly and efficiently. I will also improve communication between student organizations, Associated Students (AS), and university administration, ensuring that every voice is heard. By providing clear guidelines and resources, I'll empower both new and existing organizations to grow, succeed, and build a stronger campus community.

I'm passionate about student empowerment and committed to ensuring that every organization has the tools and support to thrive. Together, we can build a more connected, supportive, and successful campus for everyone.

## **Brayden Concepcion**

### Student Org Representative



I decided to run as the Student Org Rep but in reality I want to run for an Athletics position. I'm currently the Vice-President on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). I am majoring in Visual Communication Design and I love telling a story through my designs. I'm a student-athlete on the wrestling team and I want to propose the addition of an Athletics Representative to the positions. I am a strong advocate for the athletic community here at SF State building closer connections with the greater student population. With recent cuts to Athletics programs, the athletes should have a voice on campus. One thing that SAAC has taught me if the importance of making connections. Simply shaking a hand and introducing yourself goes a long way. Making connections has showed me how we are students before athletes and just because we are an athletic community doesn't stop us from being the

SF State community. Some students don't know that there are NCAA Division II teams on campus, and I would love the opportunity to bring athletics to Associated Students. With that being said, I am running as an Athletic Representative if you and Associate Students could give us that voice.

## Angelea Morroquin

### Student Org Representative



As a student passionate about advocacy and representation, I am running for an Associated Students (AS) Internal Affairs to ensure that every voice on our campus is heard. As a psychology major specializing in forensics and a criminal justice minor, I understand the importance of equity, mental health, and student safety. Which is why I would like to focus on three: main ideas for all students; accessibility, community engagement, and student well-being. If elected, I will work to improve access to mental health resources by advocating for increased funding and awareness campaigns and having more events that are also obtainable to both commuters and on campus students. I also aim to create more networking and internship opportunities for students across all majors, ensuring that we are prepared for life beyond graduation. Additionally, I will push for more cultural and aca-

demic events that celebrate the diverse backgrounds of our student body. SFSU is a campus filled with vibrant, passionate students, and I believe that through collaboration and active leadership, we can make meaningful changes. I am committed to being an approachable and proactive advocate for all students, ensuring that our concerns are addressed, and our needs met. Together, we can strengthen our campus community and create a better experience for everyone. I would be honored to have your support. Let's make a difference at SFSU!

## **Yvette Ortiz-Rivera**

### Student Org Representative



As Student Org Representative, I will serve as a strong liaison between student organizations and Associated Students by uplifting student voices and ensuring orgs have the resources and support to thrive. With my experience as President of the Latino Greek Council, Law Site Lead Facilitator for FLY, and member of Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Inc., I understand the challenges orgs face and am ready to advocate on their behalf.

If elected, I will take an active role as Vice Chair of the AS Finance Committee to ensure transparency in funding and support orgs in navigating the funding application process with clarity and ease. I'll host funding workshops and offer one-on-one guidance to help orgs access the financial support they deserve.

Additionally, I will foster stronger relationships between student organizations, AS, and university administration by promoting open communication and regular check-ins. I plan to create spaces where orgs can collaborate, voice concerns, and share ideas, building a united front for student-led change.

I believe student organizations are the heartbeat of campus life. My goal is to make sure every org feels heard, supported, and empowered to make an impact at SF State.

### **Aniket Soni**

### Student Org Representative



Stronger Funding. Stronger Orgs. Stronger Community.

As a proud member of several student organizations and a Board of Directors member of the Indian Student Association, I've seen the real challenges that student orgs face—like getting funding, understanding AS policies, and finding support. I'm running for Student Org Representative to help fix those problems.

With my background in Finance, I know how to manage budgets and make financial systems work better. I'll use that knowledge to simplify the funding process so student orgs can focus on their mission, not paperwork.

Here's what I stand for:

Financial Transparency & Access – I'll work to make AS funding eas-

ier to understand and more accessible for all clubs.

Stronger Representation – I'll be a clear and direct voice for student orgs within AS and the university administration.

Collaboration Over Competition – I want to build more chances for orgs to work together, share resources, and make a bigger impact on campus.

Support for Every Org – Whether your club is big or small, new or old, I'll be here to support your growth and goals.

I'm running because I truly care about our campus community. I want to make sure every student organization feels heard, supported, and empowered.

## Jessenya Garbani

### Student Org Representative

THIRD WORLD GATORZ



As a passionate and driven individual, I am eager to serve as the Student Organization Representative for SF State. My primary goal is to empower and support students by fostering a more inclusive and accessible environment within the campus community. I am committed to ensuring that all students, regardless of their background or level of familiarity with the school system, have the tools and opportunities they need to succeed.

A key focus of my work will be improving networking opportunities for students, particularly those who may not yet know how to connect with the broader SF State community. By organizing meetings with student organizations, I will facilitate collaborations and help build a stronger, more supportive network. I aim to make campus resources and systems more approachable and easy to navigate for all students.

Additionally, I plan to complete and improve the work that the current student org representative has been focusing on, especially the development of a more efficient platform for students to reserve spaces for activities and occupancy. This platform will streamline the reservation process, making it more accessible and efficient for everyone.

By working closely with student organizations, I will help create a culture where students feel empowered to take ownership of their education and activities. I am excited about the opportunity to represent the student body, contribute to meaningful change, and help foster an environment of collaboration and success at SF State.



## **Position Descriptions**

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

#### President

- Chief Executive Officer of Associated Students
- chair of the Board
- · Main representative of the Board at university functions on and off campus
- · Meets regularly with campus administration to advocate for the needs to students, remain informed on developments on campus, and strengthen shared governance to amplify student voices

#### Vice President of Internal Affairs

- · Chair of Internal Affairs Committee
- Responsible for maintaining a bridge between the Board and AS Programs/ Departments
  - Supports the internal departments of AS to
- ensure our services enrich the co curricular experiences of students

#### Vice President of External Affairs

- Chair of the External Affairs Committee
- Primary representative for the California State Student Association (CSSA), United States Student Association (USSA), and other external policy making groups
- · Helps to frame advocacy goals and policy stances on behalf of the Board and Associated Students

#### Vice President of Finance

- Chair of the Finance Committee
- · Responsible for overseeing and monitoring the AS budget as treasurer
- Maintains communication with Student Activities & Events to support and promote student organization funding through AS to ensure student organizations have resources to engage students

#### Vice President of Academic Affairs

- Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee
- Responsible for helping to amplify the voices of student interests throughout the academic sectors of SFSU to improve graduation and retention
  • Serves as a voting member on the Academic
- Senate

#### **COLLEGE REPS**

- · Focus on representing and outreaching to members of their academic college/ division to vocalize student needs to college Deans/ Administration
- Work in collaboration with the VP Academic Affairs and other College Representatives to amplify student needs across all academic divisions of the university
- · Must be a declared major in the college they seek to represent

One representative shall be elected for each of the following academic divisions:

- Graduate Representative
- **Ethnic Studies Representative**
- Liberal & Creative Arts Representative
- **Education Representative**
- Science & Engineering Representative
- **Business Representative**
- Health & Social Sciences Representative

#### **ISSUE DIRECTORS**

#### Student Org Representative

- Acts as a liaison for recognized SFSU student organizations and AS
- Serves as the Vice Chair for the AS Finance Committee
- · Helps student organizations access and apply for AS student org funding
- Fosters collaborative relationships and bridgtration, and recognized student organizations on campus

#### Director of Sustainability & Basic Needs

- · Official liaison between AS, the student body, and administration on issues related to sustainability and basic needs
- Participate in University Committees to advocate for student basic needs and sustainability efforts
- Collaborate with SFSU stakeholders to instability and housing insecurity

#### Director of Recreation, Health & Wellness

- · Official liaison between AS, the student body, and administration regarding mental health services, Student Health Advisory Committee, Campus Rec, and other wellness partners on campus
- Serve as chair of the Mashouf Wellness Center Advisory Council a member of Student
- · Meet with all student fee funded health, recreation, and wellness units on campus to provide feedback and advocate for student

#### Director of Government & Community Relations

- · Work to strengthen the relationships, collaboration, and communication between the SFSU community, AS, the university, and beyond
- Oversee Lobby Corps and grassroots efforts to advocate and civically engage students
- Serve as Co-Vice Chair of the External Affairs Committee
- Serve as the secondary voting person for the California State Student Association

#### Director of Social Justice & Equity

- Liaison between student and administration regarding matters of shared governance, transparency, and social justice
- Serve as a student senator for Academic
- · Serve as Co-Vice Chair of the External Affairs Committee
- · Outreach and encourage student participation on University committees to advocate for student needs and feedback

#### Director of Facilities & Operations

- Serve as the primary representative on matters concerning student fee funded facilities, especially the Cesar Chavez Student Center and Early Childhood Education Center
- · Sit on the UCorp Board of Directors and Mashouf Wellness Center Advisory Council
- Oversee AS program evaluations and assess-
- Serve as Vice Chair of the Internal Affairs Committee

#### Voting Period: April 14 - 20, 2025

Check your SFSU student email for your unique ballot link.

Please note: All statements were written by each individual candidate. There were no adjustments to any of the text.