

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SIERRA COLLEGE

Voter Guide - Rocklin Campus

Spring 2025 General Elections

Election Dates

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 12am through Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 5pm

Voting Instrument

Rocklin Ballot – A link to the Student Senate spring 2025 general election ballot will be emailed to all currently registered Sierra College Students on March 18, 2025. Voting opens March 18th at 12am and closes on March 20th at 5pm.

NCC Ballot - A link to the Student Senate spring 2025 general election ballot will be emailed to all currently registered Sierra College Students on March 18, 2025. Voting opens March 18th at 12am and closes on March 20th at 5pm.

Candidate statements are listed in order of submission.

Vacancies

Vacant positions will be filled by the ASSC election/appointment process in fall 2025. For more information regarding involvement in ASSC, please visit the [ASSC Student Senate webpage](#).

Student Trustee/ASSC President Candidates

Candidate: Vicente (Ben) Rosario

After serving as the Director of Finance, I have enough experience in our Student Senate to believe I would be a productive and effective Student Trustee. During my time on Student Senate, I have written numerous bills, such as funding for multiple clubs to host events and trips, a bill for students to receive funding after being affected by a fire in the dorms, and also a bill to introduce free menstrual products in the gender-neutral and women's bathrooms. If you vote for me as Student Trustee, I would be able to leverage this experience to make sure that students' concerns and interests are properly represented at the highest levels of the college. As Student Trustee, I plan on introducing new services for students, such as free printing on campus, as well as working to ensure that Sacramento County students can also obtain free bus rides through their student ID. I would also work to ensure that students can easily meet with me to ask questions or bring up ideas or concerns. Thank you for taking the time to read my campaign essay, and I hope that I have shown you why I am the best candidate.

Executive Vice President

Candidate: Kevin Hill

As an elected official of the Associated Students of Sierra College (ASSC), I will uphold the strategic goals of our organization. Students need a leader that is willing to fight for students on all levels. I will fight for our rights at the local, state, and national level to make sure that we are able to complete our educational goals. On our campus, I plan on highlighting the availability of open committees for students, as it is incredibly important for all students to know that they can have a seat at the table when it comes to the decisions made across the district. I will ensure that I have an open-door policy, so that students may voice their concerns with aspects of the district, no matter what sector it may be in. I want to eliminate the barrier that is present between the board and the students that we serve. Students have been and will always be my main priority. All of the work that I plan on completing will be for the enhancement of the student experience. No matter what the outcome of this election may be, my work will continue, and I will fight for all of us.

Candidate: Aaron Robles

As the Executive Vice President of the Associated Students of Sierra College (ASSC), my goal is to make sure every student feels heard and supported. I want to improve campus life by expanding opportunities for students to get involved, strengthening academic resources, and making sure student concerns are addressed. One of my top priorities is mental health awareness. College can be stressful, and I believe students should have better access to counseling services, stress relief programs, and career development workshops. I also want to improve communication between students and school leadership, so everyone knows what's happening on campus and can be part of important decisions.

Beyond campus, I want to strengthen Sierra College's connection with the local community. Students should have a say in policies that affect their education and future so I will work to create partnerships that open doors for internships, job opportunities, and civic engagement. I am passionate about leadership, and my experience

in political science has prepared me to take action and make a difference. I want to help create a more engaged, connected, and successful student body. I would be honored to have your vote so we can make Sierra College better together.

Director of Finance

Vacant

Director of Public Relations

Vacant

Director of Communications

Vacant

Director of Programs

Vacant

Director of Campus Affairs Candidates

Vacant

Student Senators (12 positions available)

Candidate: Megan Cranston

I am Megan Cranston, grateful to be running for one of twelve Student Senate positions at Sierra College. My aspirations of becoming elected in this position would involve expanding Asian American representation, improving resources for mental health and balance, and adding more social events to encourage students to have more opportunities to make friends in community college. Coming from an Asian background and having faced numerous mental health challenges just like many college students here already, I'm passionate about connecting with that audience through strengthening underrepresented voices and providing support. I believe in the importance of self-care and social connection in correlation to the guidance of academic stress. I am committed to promoting self-kindness and how to pace yourself when undergoing multiple extracurriculars, work, academics, etc., on campus for students' experiences in college to be less stressful. I would also address academic burnout to ensure that every student feels supported and able to navigate college life successfully whether at community college or getting ready to transfer to another college or university. Vote for me as student senate for a more lively campus culture, improvement of diversity, and mental health resources.

Candidate: Kalia Mendonca

Hello, my name is Kalia Mendonca (Kah-lee-yah), and I believe that names tell stories. They represent identity, culture, and individuality. But sometimes, stories go untold. At Sierra College, there are so many students with unique perspectives, ideas, and values that deserve to be heard. That's why I'm running for Student Senate, to be a voice for those who may not always have the platform to share their stories.

As a senator, my goal is to encourage a campus environment that is collaborative, creative, and uplifting. Sierra College is home to a diverse community of students, each with different majors, interests, and backgrounds. I want to bring people together by working with clubs and organizations to plan engaging events that boost school morale: from student-led yoga on the lawn to art showcases, tailgates, cultural weeks, open mic nights, film screenings, and more.

Beyond events, I want to strengthen connections between students, faculty, and the local community. By increasing opportunities for internships, job opportunities, and extracurricular involvement, I will ensure that students feel supported in their academic and professional journeys. Partnering with local businesses, nonprofits, and fundraising efforts will be key components of this initiative. Thanks for the opportunity!

Candidate: Hosna Aazim

If I am elected as a student senator, my main goal is to be a strong voice for every student! I want to do my best so we can have fun, excel academically, and make friends and connections during our journey at Sierra College!

I plan to organize fun events and activities that bring us together as a campus community, such as game nights, campus picnics, movie nights, club fairs, holiday events, campus cleanups, and even university trips! We need more opportunities to connect with each other and enjoy our time at Sierra College.

I'll work closely with the administration to improve student resources like tutoring, affordable textbooks, and mental health services. For example, we could push for textbook rental or exchange programs to help with the high cost of books. We also need more subject-specific review sessions (like for math) to help students prepare for exams and better understand challenging material. Additionally, we need more vendors on campus because we use a lot of energy in class and need easy access to snacks (we get hungry)!

I'm excited to serve as your representative and make sure student voices are heard. Together, we can improve our college experience!

Candidate: Nazar Metlenko

At Sierra, students deserve to know about and fully benefit from the resources available to them. Yet, many I've spoken with either don't know these programs exist or don't have the time to use them consistently. As a Student Senator, I will work to change that by focusing on two key priorities: Accessibility and Expansion.

One of my main goals is to enhance the Basic Needs Center—not just by increasing awareness but by improving the quality of resources it provides. Like the Clover Valley bill, I plan to propose a program that secures additional funding for the food bank Sierra partners with, allowing us to offer fresher, more nutritious food. Students should have access to more than just canned soup and dry pasta; they should have the support they need to live healthier lives, even in difficult times.

Beyond funding, I will ensure that more students know about and utilize these essential services. Too often, valuable resources go unused simply because students aren't aware of them. By improving outreach and communication, we can maximize the impact of the programs already in place.

Candidate: Shilo Sanchez

My name is Shilo Sanchez, and I'm running for Student Senate because I believe in creating a campus where every member of our community—students, professors, and staff—feels supported, respected, and empowered. As a student deeply invested in the success and well-being of our campus community, I believe student voices deserve to be heard and acted upon. I want to be the bridge between students and administration, ensuring that our needs are recognized and addressed.

Throughout my time here, I've seen the impact that a strong and responsive student government can have on our academic experience, campus life, and overall sense of community. I have experienced how important it is for students to have strong representation in the decision-making processes that shape our academic experience, campus life, and overall well-being. If elected, I will focus on initiatives that promote accessibility, improve student resources, and foster a sense of community across campus.

I'm committed to listening to all of your concerns. I promise to be a representative who is approachable, transparent, and dedicated to making your voice count. Let's work together to create a campus community where every member feels valued, empowered, supported, and heard—whether student, professor, or staff.

Write-in Candidate: Claire Huang

My role is more than a title—it is a commitment towards promoting an environment where every student's experience is heard. By transforming the student population's conventional ideas into extraordinary possibilities, I will ensure that no concern will go unnoticed. I will dedicate my time towards challenging the status quo and removing obstacles that may hinder our growth in campus life, as I believe that consistent change is essential to meeting the constantly-evolving needs of students. As a student leader, I will create a space where student diversity is celebrated. It is my duty to make sure that our programs and events reflect the richness of our student body, creating opportunities for underrepresented voices and collaborating with cultural groups to listen to their needs. I will advocate for expanded access for academic resources, such as tutoring services and academic workshops. By setting a clear goal every month, I hope that every student has the resources to thrive in their studies. It is my duty to navigate challenges on every corner of campus, whether or not that is the library or even the cafeteria.