

Associated Students, Incorporated

California State University Auxiliary Organizations

Associated Students, Inc. at California State University, Sacramento is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation and the recognized student body auxiliary organization at Sacramento State. Auxiliary organizations exist because the state recognized the need for certain activities at the campuses and the CSU, but determined that these activities would be best performed by one or more nonprofit organizations having a legally separate relationship with their respective campus or the CSU.

The Associated Students provides support to a variety of programs aimed at meeting the needs of the students of the University. The Association also serves as a vehicle for participation in the governance of the University. The Associated Students may serve, as an auxiliary organization, as the fiscal agent for deposit accounts for student organizations and student-related programs and activities.

University Strategic Priorities

Sacramento State's primary purpose is: Achieving ever-higher levels of student learning and academic excellence while optimizing student access and success

1. Implement a strategically focused, campus-wide effort to improve recruitment, retention, and graduation rates.
2. Create and sustain an organizational structure and culture that facilitates evidence-based decision-making and purposeful planning in all important endeavors.
3. Enhance campus-wide engagement in and responsibility for the resolution of complex issues and in the planning and implementation of campus policies.
4. Build a creative and vibrant learning community derived from the strength and vitality of our diverse campus.
5. Identify and develop interdisciplinary and cross-divisional initiatives with the greatest potential to strengthen our role as an engaged partner in the region.

Statement of Purpose

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The following shall be the primary means by which the Associated Students fulfills its purpose:

- Through operation and sponsorship of programs and services designed to effectively meet the varied needs and demands of a diverse student body;
- Through expression of student interest on campus and off; expression of student opinion regarding action and positions taken on the campus and at local, state, national and international levels, that relate to the access, affordability and quality of higher education;
- By supporting and strengthening campus cultural, social, academic and recreational opportunities, encouraging healthy civic and campus involvement, and developing further development of the students of Sacramento State and the Sacramento community.

Mission

Associated Students, Inc. serves as the official governing body of the Sacramento State students and through operation and sponsorship of programs and services meets the varied needs of students. We provide experiential education, leadership opportunities, student representation, various business and recreational services, campus life programs and activities that support the campus and greater Sacramento community.

Core Values

Integrity

What we say is what we do!
We communicate respectfully at all levels.
We are true to ourselves and the organization.

Team Work

We respect and recognize every member and their role in the organization.
We take part in open, honest and regular communication.
We support and assist each other in working towards our common goals.

Commitment

We do what it takes to get the job done.
We work to exceed minimum standards.
We personally invest in our organization.

Passion & Purpose

We are excited about and believe in what we do!
We hire and support individuals who value and are committed to the organization's mission.
We believe that what we do contributes to others' growth and success.

Community Support

We are a voice for students.
We provide learning experiences, services and programs.
We promote campus life and involvement.
We provide a connection to the greater community.
We set high personal and professional standards.

Excellence In Service

We seek to understand and respond to our constituents' needs and priorities.
We assess the importance and impact of our programs and services.
We strive to celebrate our successes and improve our shortcomings.

Diversity

We acknowledge our equality and honor our differences; above all, respect governs our actions.

Long Term Directional Statements

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About

Associated Students is governed by a Board of Directors which is comprised of a majority of students elected by the student body of Sacramento State. Student representation and advocacy is their primary focus and passion. The Board of Directors is committed to providing student with the opportunity to be fully involved in the governance of the University and the development of an exciting campus life.

Department Mission:

The ASCSUS Government Office strives to represent, educate, and advocate for Sacramento State students. We will accomplish this by providing development and oversight of ASI programs and implementing policies that serve the best interests of Sac State students. We will effectively serve as the voice of and resource to Sac State students.

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Annual Priorities: 2011– 2012

- 1.0 We will advocate for better student/campus life and Office of Governmental Affairs efforts.
- 2.0 We will increase awareness of student achievements.
- 3.0 We will empower the student body.
- 4.0 We will improve student retention through University Student Support Services.

Action Plan

Action plan	Responsible position	Assessment indicator	Time frame
1.0 Advocate for Better Student/Campus Life & OGA Efforts			
1.1 Support the Office of Governmental Affairs (OGA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance by each board member at two events/ activities per semester 	President, VP University Affairs, Director of ECS, Director of SSIS, ASI Director of OGA	All board members have attended 2 events each semester	Progress at January 2012 Complete, May 2012
1.2 Maintain an Accessible Campus Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address feasibility of increasing bike racks on campus • Present an assessment on the need for additional outlets in the library to facilities services • Follow up on the need for access to free course materials in the users services department of the campus library • Plan, organize and execute a Farmers Market under the direction of the Green Team 	Director of AL, Director of SSIS, Director of Undeclared, Graduate Director,	Report is presented to BOD and Spring actions are identified	January 2012
	VP of Academic Affairs, Director of Business, Director of HHS	Report is presented to BOD and Spring actions are identified	January 2012
	VP of Finance, Director of Business, Director of NSM	Report is presented to BOD and Spring actions are identified	January 2012
	President, EVP, VP of Academic Affairs, Director of Undeclared, Graduate Director, ASI Executive Director	Farmers Market Proposal is prepared Farmers Market is hosted by ASI	January 2012 Spring 2012

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2.0 Increase Awareness of Student Achievements			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create the Yearbook on Facebook and publicize through DOC Committee and Nuts and Bolts Publicize DOC funded events 	President, VP of Finance, Director of Education, Director of Undeclared VP of Finance, Director of AL, Director of ECS, Director of HHS, Director of NSM, ASI Marketing	Yearbook is available on Facebook Publications are prepared and posted	Posted by Mid-Semester of Fall and Spring Ongoing
3.0 Empower the Student Body			
3.1 Strengthen Teacher-Student Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create or strengthen a project or program in each academic college to enhance the relationship between faculty and students 	VP of Academic Affairs, Director of Business, Director of ECS, Director of HHS, Director of NSM	Each academic college has an event or activity that strengthens faculty-student relationship	May, 2012
3.2 Efficiently Fill ASI Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fill a minimum of 80% of active committee positions with well oriented students 	EVP, VP of Finance, VP of University Affairs, VP of Academic Affairs, Director of ECS	80% of active committee positions are filled	February, 2012
3.3 Support Financial Aid Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify options for creating a scholarship for AB540 students Have ASI Marketing promote FAFSA Workshops 	Director of AL, CSSA Designee VP of Academic Affairs, Director of AL, Director of SSIS, University CFO Designee	Options for AB540 student scholarship is brought to BOD, Spring actions are identified FAFSA promotions are done	January, 2012 March, 2012
3.4 Identify Fundraising Opportunities at Campus Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research the feasibility for clubs and organizations to be able to sell items at tailgates and athletic events; and facilitate the process if possible 	President, Director of Business, Director of Education	Feasibility report is presented to BOD ASI's role for facilitations is defined and implemented	January, 2012

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4.0 Improve Student Retention through University Student Support Services			
4.1 Strengthen Advising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the need and availability of resources for potential graduate students • Assess the current availability of grant writing resources 	VP of Academic Affairs, Graduate Director President, VP of Academic Affairs, Graduate Director	Assessment report is presented to BOD, Spring actions are identified A meeting with 1 or more campus entities is conducted, Spring actions are identified	January, 2012 January, 2012
4.2 Support The Graduation Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Graduation Initiative sub-committee to update the current Student Resource Guide • Continue to promote student awareness of the Student Resource Guide • Support the Graduation Initiative in one and/or two events. 	VP of Academic Affairs, Director of NSM VP of Academic Affairs VP of Academic Affairs	Recommended revisions are submitted to Graduation Initiative Sub-Committee Board members and marketing staff include the Resource Guide or direction to on-line version in all academic-related ASI events Board has supported one and/or two Graduation Initiative Events	January, 2012 Progress at January, 2012 Completed by May, 2012 May, 2012
4.3 Increase Career Building Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote college based alumni events in joint councils or academic clubs 	President, Director of AL, Director of HHS, Director of SSIS	Initiate contact with college chapter/ publicize majority of events by chapter	January, 2012