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1.1 MESSAGE FROM CCSG ELECTION COMMITTEE

Dear Students:

On behalf of the Chaffey College Student Government Elections Committee, we invite you to apply for next year's class of (2021-2022) student government leaders.

Candidate Eligibility

In accordance with Article I, Section III of the CCSG Constitution, to be eligible for a position within CCSG, a candidate must:

A. have been a student at Chaffey College for at least one (1) semester;
B. have paid the College Service Fee;
C. be registered in and successfully complete at least six (6) units each semester while in CCSG;
D. maintain a minimum accumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5. (1) Units and GPAs of CCSG members will be verified by the Office of Student Life. E. Additionally, candidates running for an Executive Board position, require previous CCSG and/or Student Club leadership experience.
F. Once the current semester grades are recorded if elected CCSG members do not meet eligibility they are not able to serve.

Don't wait, apply today.  https://chaffeycollegehspartnerships.formstack.com/forms/cea2

Sincerely,

CCSG, Elections committee

"WE INVITE YOU TO APPLY FOR NEXT YEAR’S CLASS OF (2021-2022) STUDENT GOVERNMENT LEADERS.”
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I have served as advisor to at least a half dozen clubs like the Muslim Students Association and the Christian Club. For me advising CCSG is the pinnacle. The primary function of a student government is to enhance learning by connecting students to information and resources. It is also a representative tool, advocating for students by working with teachers and administrators on matters across the campus. Furthermore, CCSG advocates for students on a statewide and national level by linking with other schools and physically going to Sacramento and Washington DC to lobby legislators. During my twenty years at Chaffey College I teach exciting courses like Mythology, African American Literature and Introduction to the Novel. I remember being in college taking these very classes and dreaming of teaching them one day. Teaching is fulfilling enough for me. Yet, advising clubs accentuates this whole experience. The rewards go all around--I stay enthusiastic because I am constantly in contact with empowered and optimistic minds, while they--students--get to develop leadership and success skills like critical thinking, conflict resolution, and collaboration. In a nutshell, my charge to all is to get involved. Faculty, find a club to support officially or unofficially. Students, join a club or run for office. It is worth it, but be careful, for this kind of involvement is fun.

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- CHARLES WILLIAMS
Faculty Advisor, CCSG
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Hello, members of the great family of Chaffey College. My name is Diego Sotomayor and I am your Director of Finance. It has been five years since I left Peru to start a life in the United States where I have had many different experiences, and being part of CCSG is one that has taught me a lot when it comes to serving the student community and contributing to my professional development in the career and field that I want to pursue in a not too distant future. This is my third year and last semester at Chaffey, I have many mixed feelings such as sadness, excitement, and nerves to finish this last chapter in my life and start the next once I transfer to continue my studies in economics. At this moment I am still waiting for any response from the universities to which I applied, from which I really hope to be accepted in Berkley, which has been my goal since I arrived here. In these times of pandemic, it has become very important for me to stay active and out of all kinds of stress, that is why I like to ride my bike and take long journeys enjoying the fresh air. In the same way, I also like to keep my mind distracted by reading books, watching movies and drawing. They are all activities that I have always liked and due to the pandemic, I had the chance to focus more on them. Finally, what I would like to share with everyone who is reading this is one of my favorite quotes: "It ain't about how hard you hit; it's about how hard you can get hit, and keep moving forward. It's how much you can take, and keep moving forward. That's how winning is done." - Rocky Balboa.

Hello Fellow Panthers!
I am grateful and honored to serve as your Senator and represent you at such an amazing community college.
My name is Raymond A. Pena, and I am a Business Administration major at Chaffey College. This is my last semester at Chaffey and will be transferring out to Cal State University, San Bernardino with an Associates of Science in Business Administration from Chaffey. My declared major at CSUSB is a Bachelor of Arts in Administration with a Public Administration concentration.
My hope one day is to become a city, state or federal director or manager by helping constituents through the side of public administration. I enjoy the outdoors such as backpacking, hiking and running that clears the soul and renews the spirit. One of my favorite quotes I live by is "If it doesn't challenge you, it won't change you".
Hello everyone, I am Shayad Abid. I have been a Chaffey College student since fall of 2018, and I must say I have had the most pleasant experience. The financial aid and grants made my college experience financially stress free and the smaller class sizes were a huge bonus. The acquaintances I've made and the community I have been a part of will stay with me for the rest of my life. I am glad and thankful that I have been granted this opportunity to reach out to my fellow students and so first and foremost I would like to wish you great success and happiness in life. If I had any advice to give to my fellow students, it would be to make the most of your time here at Chaffey. To have fun and above all, take an active role in campus organizations. Ever since I became a CCSG senator and took on active roles in student government and pre-med club, I have honestly learned so much. As a senator I get to witness the inner workings of our campus and get to appreciate the transparency and the power that students practice over the running of their college. As a pre-med club secretary, I get to learn and stay updated on developments in the medical field which are of great significance to my future career. The faculty and fellow senators are like a family, we are all working towards a better future and a better learning experience for our fellow students. Therefore, I would highly encourage you to take an active role in the community because it will only do you good. Last but not least, take care and be safe!

David M. Leon, born in Upland CA, is a Business major transfer student, the Secretary of Finance, CCSG senator, Student Ambassador, and the Class Speaker for 2021 at Chaffey College. He actively volunteers in his community encouraging the youth, and is a strong voice in campaigning amongst local government and State government. “Remember to always think Big in whatever you pursue. As a graduating scholar I can now tell you that I now have a great plan for my life. This has not always been the case, in fact people will tell you all throughout your life, that you still have time to figure it out. The truth is you should get started on implementing your life goals and dreams right away and create a plan for how you want your life to be. The more time you spend on planning, the more time someone else will spend on progressing. My current dreams and goals are to become a great mayor of Upland and possibly a future U.S Senator where I will determine if I want to run for President of the United States. In pursuit of these grand goals it will take yearly goals, monthly goals, daily goals, and as we all know as College Students hourly goals sometimes even down to the minute. If you can create a plan for your life, even if you fall short of those goals, you will still be better off than someone who never started theirs. There is a quote that goes “reach for the stars, so if you miss you'll land on a cloud”. My name is David M. Leon and I hope to inspire my generation and future generations”.

-In Loving Memory of my Dad, Mark Leon Sr. July 23, 1960 - March 01, 2021
2.1 IMPORTANCE OF VOTING

Voting is the key to being heard, whether that is voting in the presidential elections, secondary elections, or school elections. Chaffey College Student Government is here to help the students by providing scholarships and hosting many engaging events and activities. Chaffey College Student Government listens to the students' needs and goes above and beyond to help satisfy their needs. Voting is important for Chaffey College Student Government because, you, the students here at Chaffey, elect someone who meets your needs and who provides a solution to a problem you might have. Do not forget to vote in the upcoming elections for CCSG!

Check us out on social media to stay up to date on events and activities!
CCSG Social Media:
Instagram: @chaffey.ccsig and @chaffeycollege
Twitter: @chaffeyccsg and @chaffeycollege
Facebook: @Chaffey College and @Chaffey College Student Government

By: Joy Marina
2.2 WHY CCSG

What is student government?

A group of hard-working students that are charged with managing a wide range of events, policies, programs, and initiatives for Chaffey College.

Why is student government important?

Student government works as a representative body through which students can voice their concerns and interests. Student government are students advocating for students.

Benefits of joining CCSG:

- get familiar with governmental structures
- build relationships
- change the school
- gain professional skills
- learn to work in a team
- network

Challenges of CCSG:

- Committing the time
- taking on responsibility
- working with others
- balancing life

By: Briana Aguayo
I first joined Chaffey College Student Government in the fall of 2020. I applied to be a senator because I wanted to become more involved with Chaffey College. Being part of the student government at this college means a lot to me. It is the first time I have ever been a part of a diverse community in which we work together to make a better difference for not only ourselves but for others. It has taught me to balance my time between my school work and contribution to my committee. I have also been able to form relationships with my peers via zoom. Although it may seem a bit hard to have to communicate solely through zoom, it has been quite easy to stay in communication with all who contribute to CCSG. One of the big things I have learned would be communicating effectively and articulately, and identifying a goal that I want to accomplish and figuring out mechanisms to do that. Student government involvement provides students with community, a tremendous amount of transferable experience and learned skills, and a sense of empowerment.

“EDUCATION IS THE PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THOSE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY”

- Malcolm X

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