

# **ROADMAP TO OFFICE FOR SPRING 2022**

## **BECOMING A CANDIDATE**

## How to Run for Office Workshop (optional)

Running for office can seem overwhelming, but this workshop will help you build your campaign skills. Learn how to:

- Write a personal statement
- Create a social media campaign using free resources
- Gain support from clubs and organizations
- Build a campaign/publicity board

#### HEAR FROM PREVIOUS CANDIDATES

The workshop will be held February 11, 2022 from 9:00am to 1:00pm in the Green & Gold Room, University Union. Students are encouraged to bring a laptop so they can do the work that day. Limited space is available. You can register for the workshop here: How to Run for Office Workshop

#### **ASI Election Grant (optional)**

ASI offers 10 grants of up to \$125 each to assist candidates with campaign costs. The application for this grant is included in the Independent and Presidential Candidate Applications. More information can be found on the ASI website.

### **Step 1: Apply for Candidacy**

Submit your candidate application by 4:00PM on Friday, March 4, 2022.

- 1. Go to Hornet Hub and sign in with your Sac State account
- 2. Select the "Organizations" tab and search for ASI Student Government
- Select the "Forms" tab and find the application for the position you want to run for (Independent Candidate or Presidential Ticket)

This form is submitted exclusively online. The application period will open Monday, January 24, 2022 at 8am and close Friday, March 4, 2022 at 4pm.

An important component of this application will be your Candidate Statement, which will appear
on the ASI Election ballot and serve as a concise representation of your campaign platform. In a
paragraph or two, you should describe your goals and qualification so voters can know what you
are running for.

• You cannot apply to more than one position per election cycle.

### **Step 2: Attend a Mandatory Workshop**

Step 2 can be completed before Step 1. You must attend **one** (1) of the workshops as scheduled below prior to the March 4<sup>th</sup> filing deadline. Candidates must attend the full workshop presentation, <u>so arrive on time</u>! The workshop will review the:

- Elections Code
- Candidate expectations
- Responsibilities of serving on the Board of Directors

Dates and locations for the Mandatory Candidate Workshops are:

Date	Time	Day	Location
February 23, 2022	5:00PM-6:00PM	Wednesday	Meeting ID: 839 1500 8531
February 25, 2022	12:00PM-1:00PM	Thursday	University Union Summit Room, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
March 2, 2022	9:00AM-10:00AM	Wednesday	University Union Summit Room, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor

#### Failure to attend a mandatory workshop will result in ineligibility to run for office.

If a candidate is unable to meet during scheduled times, the candidate may contact the Executive Director, Sandra Gallardo at Sandra.gallardo@csus.edu in advance of the workshops for special arrangements. Special arrangements are contingent on the Executive Director's availability.

#### **Step 3: Be Approved for Candidate Eligibility**

After meeting all requirements as detailed in the Elections Information Packet, the Vice President of Student Affairs will determine your eligibility. You will be notified of your eligibility by the ASI Executive Director. You cannot begin campaigning until you have received this notification of eligibility.

### **Step 4: Workshop with the Vice President of Student Affairs**

After being notified of eligibility by the ASI Executive Director, candidates must attend one (1) session of this <u>mandatory</u> workshop with the Vice President of Student Affairs. During the workshop, the VPSA will go over proper campaign etiquette and how candidates should run a free, fair, and ethical campaign. Following completion of this workshop, potential candidates will receive their final approval and notice of eligibility to run for office. Once you are deemed eligible, your name and campaign statement will appear in the ASI Voter Booklet and on the ASI Elections Ballot.

Date	Time	Day	Location
March 8, 2022	11:00AM-12:00PM	Tuesday	Elderberry & Beetle Conference Room, Riverview Hall
March 10, 2022	5:00PM-6:00PM	Thursday	Elderberry & Beetle Conference Room, Riverview Hall

Candidates will only be posted as eligible to campaign when the workshop is completed and all other requirements are met.

## **Step 5: Candidate Photos**

We will post candidate photos on the ASI Website and in the Elections Voter Booklet. Candidates may have their photo taken by Student Engagement and Outreach (SEO). Candidates may not submit their own photos. SEO will take photos in their office located (University Union, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor-Room 1240) on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 5pm. A sign-up sheet will be sent to candidates prior to March 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### **CAMPAIGNING**

All candidates are encouraged to attend every optional event if possible. Each optional event offers candidates the opportunity to campaign to students who are actively interested in the election.

## **Campaigning Time Period and Regulations:**

After receiving your notification of eligibility, you may begin campaigning at 7am on March 17th. You can find details of where campaigning is allowed and prohibited in Article V of the ASI Election Code. You should be sure to read the Residential Hall Political Canvassing Policy, the Union WELL Inc. Posting Policy, and the Time, Place and Manner Restrictions on Speech-Related Activities, which can be found on the ASI website. It is vitally important that you review these requirements, to prevent the violation of a campus policy.

#### **Creating Campaign Materials (optional):**

You are not required to spend money on your campaign, nor does a successful campaign necessarily require you to spend money.

- •Independent Candidates will be limited to spending \$350 for all campaign materials, and expenses for Presidential Tickets will be limited to \$500.
- •ASI offers 10 Elections Grants of up to \$125 each to help candidates fund their campaign. The application can be found within both the Presidential Ticket and Independent Candidate applications.
- •Be sure to save all of your receipts and keep track of your campaign expenditures.
- •If you choose to create campaign materials, think ahead to void rush ordering, excess costs, and excess stress.
- •ASI highly recommends candidates use free online design tools such as Canva.com to design campaign materials such as flyers, buttons, posters, boards, and social media posts.
- •If you choose to create a 4x4 board, try to be creative with the materials you use. Boards can be made out of PVC pipes, wood, vinyl, etc.

#### Campaign at Club Meetings/Receive Endorsements (optional):

It is highly recommended that you attempt to campaign at club meetings. You should contact them before-hand and ask to briefly speak to their club about your platform. Following your presentation, we recommended speaking with their president to find out if they would consider endorsing you as a

candidate. If they agree to do so, the club President must fill out a Letter of Endorsement and the candidate must turn in a

wet signed Candidate Endorsement Letter on behalf of their endorser to the ASI Government Office no later than 12:00pm April 1, 2022.

•Club presidents can find the blank Letter of Endorsement here:

**Independent Candidate Endorsement Form** 

**Presidential Ticket Endorsement Form** 

### Campaign on Campus (optional):

A vital component of your campaign is to promote your platform through your own initiative on campus. It is highly encouraged that candidates talk to students around campus or use social media in attempts to gain support. Meeting with the student body you hope to represent is one of the best ways to draw support and encourage students to vote.

# **ASI Student Government Candidate Forums (optional):**

ASI will be hosting two Executive Candidate Forums throughout the campaigning period for Executive position candidates to present their platform to the student body. During the Forum candidates will be prompted to answer a series of questions and discuss campus-wide issues with others running for your same position. Candidates will be invited to attend an Executive Candidate Forum depending on which position they are running for.

Arts & Letters, Business, Education	1:00PM-2:00PM	Monday, March 28, 2022	University Union Orchard Suite, 2nd Floor and Online Via ZOOM Webinar ID: 871 4189 8753 Passcode: 544339
Engineering & Computer Science, Health & Human Services, Natural Sciences & Mathematics	12:00PM-1:00PM	Tuesday, March 29, 2022	University Union Orchard Suite, 2nd Floor and Online Via ZOOM Webinar ID: 833 7438 6932 Passcode: 984871
Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Studies, Graduate Studies, Undeclared Students	1:00PM-2:00PM	Tuesday, March 29, 2022	University Union Orchard Suite, 2nd Floor and Online Via ZOOM Webinar ID: 884 4089 3214

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Vice President of 1:00PM-2:00PM Monday, April 4, Location: Academic Affairs, 2022 **University Union** Vice President of Orchard Suite, 2nd University Affairs, **Floor and Online** Vice President of Via ZOOM Finance Webinar ID: 854 7572 7019 Passcode: 845447 **Presidential Ticket-**1:00PM-2:00PM Tuesday, April 5, Location: **President and** 2022 **University Union Executive Vice Orchard Suite, 2nd** President Floor and Online Via ZOOM Webinar ID: 824

# **ELECTIONS & RESULTS**

## **ASI Election Kick Off (Voting Day 1):**

Polls open at 8am on April 6th and close at 7:30pm on April 7th. During this time students may vote online from any device with an internet connection. ASI will be hosting the Elections Kick Off on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## ASI Results Party (Voting Day 2):

After the closure of the poll, ASI will host the Election Results Party where the results of the election will be announced. The Results Party will be held immediately following the closure of the polls at 7:30pm on April 7.