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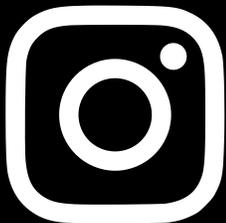


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## NEW YEAR, NEW US! BY VICE CHAIR JENN GALINATO

Hello Region II and welcome into the new year! We're more than six months into our terms and gearing up for the most exciting season of the year within the SSSCC. Between resolutions and all the upcoming events this month within the region, I hope you're all as excited as we are- here's to 2021!

*Jenn Galinato*

# SSCCC SPOTLIGHT



## **SSCCC PRESIDENT STEPHEN KODUR:**

Hey Region III! I hope you have enjoyed your holiday break and got some much needed relaxation and a mental health break. With all the craziness going on around us, we must find time to focus. We must find time to still prioritize our goals and look towards the future.

I have enjoyed my time with the SSCCC and all the meaningful change that we are making to ensure current and future students succeed in their educational journey through the California Community College system. I hope the following questions help you to learn more about me as an individual and if I can ever be of assistance or a resource in the future, please do not hesitate to reach out.

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**Success is  
not final,  
failure is  
not fatal. It  
is the  
courage to  
continue  
that counts.**

–Winston  
Churchill  
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# TOP TEN WITH PRESIDENT KODUR

## What's your favorite way to spend a day off?

I love spending days off by playing sports. I really love to play golf, basketball, baseball, football, ultimate frisbee, and disc golf.

## What are your hobbies and how did you get into them?

My hobbies have always been sports. Since a very young age, I have always been an athlete. My dad even participated through being my coach for many years and I am the oldest of 5 children who all played. Since we were always surrounded by sports, it was easy for it to become my passion and my life. I even love to watch all my professional sports teams.

## Would you rather go to the beach or camping?

I would probably have to say that I would rather go camping on the beach. Camping on the beach is one of my favorite past times. There is nothing like roasting smores on a campfire as you listen to the ocean in the distance.

## Where did you go for your favorite vacation?

I think my favorite vacation has been my trip to Barbados with my brother. We were able to site see, swim in the crystal clear sea, and try the authentic cuisine.

## What's the next place on your travel bucket list and why?

My next place I would love to check off my bucket list would be Hawaii. I have had a couple opportunities to go in the past but my plans have always fallen through. My family is from Hawaii and I want to see where they are from and visit some of the places that have historical significance for our country.

## Would you say that you are an extrovert or an introvert?

I am definitely an extrovert. My personality is such that I need to be around people. I take great joy in conversing with people, even strangers. One of my favorite things to do is public speaking. I think that it started when I used to act in plays and musicals when I was younger.

## Would you rather go to the beach or camping?

Over the holiday break, I binge-watched a bunch of shows. Some of my favorites were Vikings, The Boys, and Cobra Kai.

## What kind of music are you into?

I love all types of music but what really gets me going is rap and R&B. I love lyrical geniuses like J. Cole, Logic, Drake, and Gucci. Because I play guitar, I love to listen to bands like Red Jumpsuit Apparatus, Boys Like Girls, Secondhand Serenade, and Blink 182. If you give me a microphone, there is a good chance I will bust out some vocals like its Karaoke night.

## What's one thing that can instantly make you day a little bit better?

One of the best things that instantly makes my day better would have to be a kind word or a compliment. When I get complimented, that warms my heart and reassures me that what I am doing is being noticed and that it matters.

## Finally, if you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

This is definitely a loaded question because I love food. I don't think I would be able to settle on just one food, but if I was forced to then it would have to be pizza.



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*\*all questions and answers have been edited for clarity*

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# CAUCUS RE-ACTIVATION

## WHAT'S A CAUCUS?

A caucus is an independent body of like-minded individuals who wish to make their voices heard on a formal basis about issues directly related to concerns of its membership. Let your voice be heard to represent your student community!

## HOW DO YOU REACTIVATE A CAUCUS?

In order to reactivate a caucus, at least 12 California Community College students would need to sign up to participate as members.

## HOW DO YOU JOIN A CAUCUS?

Choose a caucus and get in contact with the chair of that caucus or liaison for that you wish to join! Anyone can join a caucus as long as you are a current college student!



## ACTIVATED CAUCUSES:

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## IN PROGRESS OF ACTIVATION:

- **API CAUCUS**
- **LATINX CAUCUS**
- **SUSTAINABILITY CAUCUS**



## INACTIVATED CAUCUSES:

- **ABLED CAUCUS**
- **DEAF/HARD OF HEARING CAUCUS**
- **SPECTRUM CAUCUS**
- **STEM CAUCUS**
- **STUDENT-ATHLETE CAUCUS**
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Monday Morning Coffee

Ever wonder what our Monday mornings look like? Tune into our Monday Morning Coffee series! Follow us on Instagram @ssccc\_regionii and turn on post notifications to get updates when we go live with members within the SSCCC and Region II!

**Every Monday at 11:00 AM**

## Kudos

Have a student in mind that you would like to be recognized in our upcoming newsletters? Created by our own LAD Prasad, Kudos was designed to acknowledge the hard work of students and student leaders within the Region.

**Fill out the form here for February!**

## Resolution Webinars

With resolution season underway, the SSCCC has put together several workshops and webinars to answer any questions you may have as preparation for the upcoming General Assembly starts!

**Next Resolution Workshop: Saturday, February 6th @ 1:00 P.M.**

## Speaker Series Event

Put together by our very own Treasurer Dhaliwal and the Finance committee, Region II is proud to announce the very first Speaker Series Fundraiser event! This event is specially geared to tackle on topics that are most prevalent to students today for all audiences.

**March 12th-13th @ 12:00 P.M.**

## Regional Game Night

Let the games begin with our monthly regional game night! Join us on the last Friday of the month as we bond over beloved classics such as Uno and Animal Crossing to brand-new releases like Among Us and Fall Guys.

**Next Regional Game Night: Friday, February 26th @ 6:30 P.M.**

## Regional Movie Night

Grab your popcorn and favorite snacks before showtime because the movie is about to start! Laugh, cry, and sigh with us as we host our regional movie night together on the second Friday of the month!

**Next Regional Movie Night: Friday, February 12th @ 6:30 P.M.**

# REGION II MEETINGS

## Executive Board

Our Regional Executive Board meets the **1st Friday every month at 4:00 P.M.** Members of the committee provide updates within their role as well as bring up information that should be discussed during Delegate Assembly

**February 5th at 4:00 P.M.**

## Delegate Assembly

Our Regional Delegate Assembly is for all thirteen colleges and their delegates within the Region to discuss and vote on issues or the entire region. Delegates **meet every 3rd Friday of the month at 5:00 P.M.**

**February 19th at 5:00 P.M.**

## Rules and Resolutions

The Rules and Resolutions committee works on reviewing the Regional governing documents. Providing assistance to all Region constituents concerning the Resolutions process for General Assembly. Members of the committee meet the **1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:00 P.M.**

**February 3rd and 17th at 5:00 P.M.**

## Legislative Affairs

The Legislative Affairs Committee prepares for legislative visits to legislators in the Region. Members of the committee meet the **2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 5:00 P.M.**

**February 11th and 25th at 5:00 P.M.**

## Finance

The Finance Committee works on creating an annual budget for the region along with planning fundraising events. Members of the committee meet the **1st and 4th Sunday of every month at 12:00 P.M.**

**February 7th and 28th at 12:00 P.M.**

## Communications

The Communications Committee works on creating and disseminating the monthly Region Newsletter along with planning both regional retreats and events. Members of the committee meet on the **1st and 3rd Friday of every month at 11:30 A.M.**

**February 5th and 19th at 11:30 A.M.**

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## Get Involved with Region II!



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**join our Discord here!**

**sign up for us Listserv here!**