



Week of March 20, 2025

Advisor Newsletter

Announcement

Dear Advisors,

General Assembly is fast approaching, and the final day to register is March 24! If you or your delegate haven't registered yet but plan to attend, please do so before the deadline. **Register here.**

With over 600 students and faculty already registered, this is a valuable opportunity to ensure your college is represented. If your delegate has not yet registered, please have them do so as soon as possible—their registration is free. If your delegate is unable to attend, an alternative delegate must attend in their place, and their registration is also free.

Delegates play a crucial role at General Assembly, as they are the only ones who can cast votes for regional and executive elections and resolutions. Their participation is essential to ensuring your college's voice is heard.

Additionally, all delegates must attend a **mandatory training session. There will be two sessions March 28 at 2:00 PM or April 4 at the General Session at 9:00 AM.** They can **register for the training here.**

Lastly, if you plan to attend the General Assembly, we request that your delegate **departs after 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 6.** With over 80 resolutions scheduled for debate on Saturday and Sunday, we want to ensure a quorum is maintained throughout the discussions. While we strive to be efficient, critical decisions will be made that afternoon.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to seeing you at the General Assembly!

Additional Information

If you haven't already, please take a moment to complete the **stipend survey.** While many students have submitted their responses, we've only received a few responses. Your participation is essential to ensure the accuracy of our records, and we truly appreciate your support in helping us gather the necessary data.

Legislative Update

Current SSSCC Legislative Priorities

The Student Senate Board of Directors have been proactive in their legislative advocacy efforts and has taken the following stances.

Sponsor:

AB 490 (Armbula) - AB 409 (Armbula) will permanently codify our previous legislation, AB-1855 (Armbula), into law. This ensures students can participate in student government.

Co-sponsor:

- SB 271 (Reyes) - will help student parents access financial aid, childcare, and other essential resources.
- SB 98 (Perez) - mandates that schools and college campuses immediately notify students, parents, faculty, staff, and community members if immigration officers are present.
- AB 323 (Fong) - requires the Chancellor's Office to revise policies, regulations, and guidance necessary to provide students, employers, or both, with paid work-based learning opportunities.
- AB 335 (Gipson) - establishes the Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions Grant Program as a competitive grant program to provide academic support to underserved Black and African American students and other underserved students.
- SB 305 (Reyes) - makes changes to financial aid.

Support:

- AB 48 (Alvarez) - proposes a state general obligation bond to fund the construction and modernization of postsecondary education facilities.
- AB 90 (Jackson) - requires an eligible student who participates in a program to be granted access to overnight parking until the student is provided access to a suitable alternative, including, among other things, a hotel voucher through a public agency or community organization.
- AB 537 (Ahrens) - removes, for purposes of eligibility for the California College Promise, the qualification that students be full-time.
- AB 363 (Bryan) - Streamlines CalWorks program eligibility.
- AB 791 (Berman) - requires an institution to develop and implement a cost of attendance policy and adjustment process to estimate and adjust the cost of attendance information in a manner consistent with federal standards.

For more information, please contact Mikala Hutchinson at mhutchinson@ssccc.org. Additionally, the Student Senate will host a "Legislative to Law" series during the Spring General Assembly, providing an overview of the laws passed supported by the SSSCC and offering updates on how to engage in the current legislative process.

Vacant Positions

We are currently seeking interns for [Region VI](#) and [VIII](#) and would greatly appreciate it if you could share this opportunity with your SBA. For more information about the position, please refer to the attached [job description](#).

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