

REGION V

NEWSLETTER



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Region V Colleges

1. Bakersfield College
2. Cerro Coso College
3. Clovis College
4. College of Sequoias
5. Fresno City College
6. Madera College
7. Merced College
8. Modesto College
9. Porterville College
10. Reedley College
11. West Hills College - Coalinga
12. West Hills College - Lemoore



LETTER FROM REGION V'S RAD

Hello Everyone!

It is with great pleasure and honor that I extend a warm welcome to all the members, delegates, and colleges within our region. As we collectively embark on this journey within our region, I am thrilled and deeply honored to represent you as your Regional Affairs Director and serve as the spokesperson for our shared interests and objectives.

My name is Joshua Simon, and I am enthusiastic about contributing to the growth and success of our region. I am committed to facilitating a platform where representatives from all our colleges, along with our full executive team, can collaborate and thrive. Together, we aim to create an environment that champions inclusivity, progress, diversity, and success.

The opportunity before us is truly remarkable, offering a chance to make a substantial impact on the development and prosperity of our region. By fostering collaboration, mutual respect, and a shared vision, I am confident that together, we can achieve remarkable feats by harnessing the collective minds and energies of our students of those colleges toward a common goal.

In the forthcoming days, I eagerly anticipate the chance to meet each of you personally, listen to your insights, and engage in collaborative efforts to craft solutions that will not only benefit your respective colleges but also contribute to the overall development of our community.

Let us embark on this journey together, unified by our shared aspirations and the belief that through cooperation and joint efforts, we can accomplish remarkable progress and success within Region V.

Thanks a bunch,
Joshua Simon
Regional Affairs Director



MONTHLY FEATURES

Active Colleges

Delegates of Region V

As of the last delegate assembly Region V currently has 8 out of the 12 colleges active! Listed are the names of the delegates and their respective college.

"A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way."

John Maxwell

1. **Bakersfield College -- Johanna Guzman**
2. **Cerro Coso Community College -- Fatima Chavez Gomez**
3. **Clovis Community College -- Ronelli Liboon**
4. **College of the Sequoias -- Madie Parker**
5. **Fresno City College (Inactivated)**
6. **Madera Community College (Inactivated)**
7. **Merced College -- Jose Castillo**
8. **Modesto Junior College (Inactivated)**
9. **Porterville College (Inactivated)**
10. **Reedley College -- Deja Borquez**
11. **West Hills College - Coalinga -- Fabian Ledezma**
12. **West Hills College - Lemoore -- Jaime Perez**



MONTHLY FEATURES

REGION V EXECUTIVE BOARD

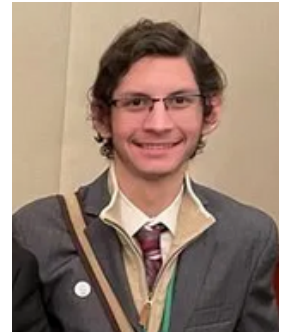
Joshua Simon, *Regional Affairs Director* (He/Him)

Joshua Simon (He, Him, His) is a student at West Hills College Lemoore (WHCL). He serves as the current President of WHCL Associated Student Government (ASG) for the 2023-2024 term. Josh hopes to further his academic career by his ambition to utilize those skills to start his own small business. Josh has a deep passion and appreciation for his college and the other California community colleges — with their support programs, policies, student advocacy, and impacts. He wants to represent the voice of the heard and unheard in the community. Josh wants to promote a lot of advocacy, support, and bringing back the community in community colleges by amplifying the voices to help build ideas and foundation locally and with California community colleges as a whole. Executing whatever action in the unforeseeable future that would benefit student future, endeavors, and support.



Michael Rodriguez, *Vice Chair* (He/Him)

Michael Rodriguez is currently a community college student at West Hills College. He is majoring in business and hopes to pursue a degree in marketing management. Along with his responsibilities as Vice Chair, he is also currently performing as treasurer with his ASB as well as Student Trustee with his district board. This is his first year holding an elected regional position for SSCCC and he is very excited to have the privilege of serving for his community for this term!



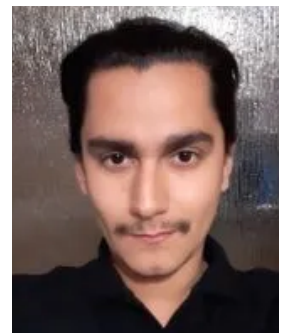
Gerardo "Jerry" Reyes, *Legislative Affairs Director* (He/Him)

Jerry Reyes (He/His/Him) is a first-generation student studying Business Administration at Reedley College. He also holds an Associate's Degree in History and aspires to transfer to a CSU to continue his education which will help him get closer to his goals. He is interested in entrepreneurship and starting and/or helping a non-profit organization in the future. He is passionate about helping others and his community by creating a positive environment for everyone around him. Jerry is interested in basic needs issues, equity and inclusion, financial aid issues, and the overall goal of helping students get through college. He has been a very active member at Reedley College by helping in whatever way he can and wants to do more for Region V and the SSCCC. He is the current Inter-Club Council President and the former Associated Student Government President of Reedley College. In his time in student government, he has helped put on several events, has helped start-up clubs, and continues to take the responsibility of being the voice of students at the local, regional, and state level. He lives by the following quote, "with great power comes great responsibility," because when you have the ability to do something, you do it for the good of others.



Jose Garcia, *Communications Officer* (He/Him)

Jose Garcia (He,Him) is a Business Management Major and serves as the Commissioner of Records for ASG (Associated Student Government) at West Hills College Lemoore. He aims to graduate college with a Business Management degree, a Management Certificate, and a Human Resources Certificate. He is very passionate about human rights and fair treatment and equal opportunity. He wants to help our communities become more diverse and welcoming to all peoples of different backgrounds. He also want to bring awareness to the board of any injustices and inequalities that are still prevalent today within college campuses so that we will work together to erase those wrongs. He is very passionate about serving my community. He has a knack for growth and knowledge. He aims to help and serve the students within my region and being the voice for the voiceless during my term as the Communications Officer for Region V.





WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO



The Student Senate for California Community Colleges is proud to announce the first annual Advocacy Academy, at the Riverside Convention Center in downtown Riverside, December 1 - 3, 2023. This empowering event will provide students with the skills needed to advocate for change on their campus and in their communities. This academy is not just for students interested in politics, participants will learn strategies for influencing campus leaders, trustee boards, city councils, and legislators. Whether advocating to fellow students or a senator, the skills are the same—negotiating, communicating, and relationship building – students will gain a greater understanding of these skills and many more.

MORE INFORMATIONS

Delegates or colleges that may be interested about attending the event please check the link bellow for more information.

[Link to the general information](#)

INTERNAL REGION COMMITTEES

PLEASE REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Meets @ 3:30pm

- November 13th
- December 11th

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

Meets @ 6pm

- November 27th
- December 14th

REGION V GOOGLE DRIVE

[Click here to find all meeting materials can be found in the Google Drive.](#)

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