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The Student Senate For
California Community Colleges
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

LETTER FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

Hello Region V,

My name is Erin Griepsma, and I'm honored to serve as your Communications Officer for this term. I'm a returning student at Bakersfield College pursuing a Certificate of Achievement in American Sign Language Interpreting and an AA in American Sign Language. I also serve as the Director of Student Organizations with the Bakersfield College Student Government Association (BCSGA) and served as the Student Organizations Funding (SOF) Grant Manager last session. My time at SOF is when I first learned about the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC). This is where my story begins with this great organization, one that revolves around change, voices heard and physical branding across our community college campuses.



Prior to serving on the Executive Board with the BCSGA, I had never heard about the SSCCC and as I progressed through my leadership roles, it became more evident that neither has the vast majority of our student bodies. My job as your Communications Officer is to keep SSCCC, Region V and all our campuses relevant as seen through our Instagram, monthly newsletters and physical publicity. And I need your help!

Currently, I hold a Region V Communications Committee meeting on the first Friday of every month from 5pm-6pm PST via zoom; this link can be found on our monthly calendar. I know that I cannot be everywhere I would like to be all at the same time, that is why I can rely on you to be my eyes, ears and voice for your campuses and their needs when it comes to communication. I encourage you all to attend my meetings so that I and my committee can have a chance to hear your needs. We want to make the right moves to help meet the needs of your campuses; we cannot help change what we do not know about.

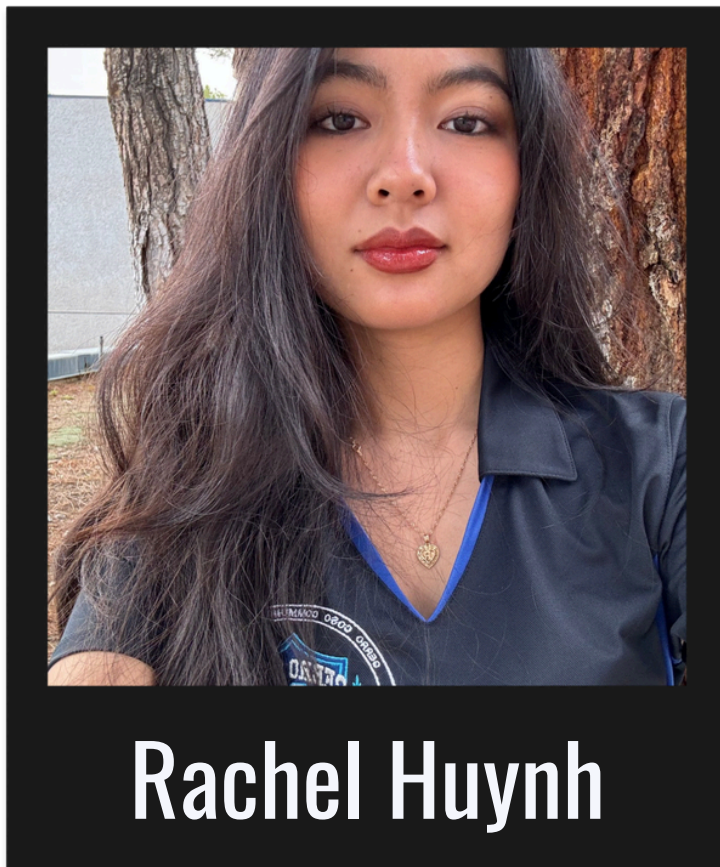
As mentioned above, there is always AMAZING things happening across our campuses and I am sure you would like to see this things featured on our Instagram and in the newsletters, wouldn't you? Please feel free to fill out this [Google Form](#) to let me know what you want to see highlighted, now until the end of the Spring semester.

I look forward to hearing from your soon,

Erin Griepsma

TIPS FROM THE DELEGATES

My name is Rheanna Gallegos but some call me Rhee! My major is Communications. My tip for surviving the new semester is to set up a calendar. I use a whiteboard one because its easier to add on and I made it color coded.



I am Rachel Huynh, delegate from Cerro Coso Community College. My major is Political Science. The advice that has saved me the most is to reach out and establish a positive relationship with your professors early in the semester, as well as utilizing all available tutoring resources.

IT'S RESOLUTION WRITING SEASON!!

Did you know that anyone can write a resolution? Sure anyone can write one but do you know how? If yes, great! If not, you're in luck! Many of us have ideas that we would like to see changed on our campuses but not realizing that they could be just as impactful across all of California's community college campuses.

Here are your next steps:

- **Reference this link: [PowerPoint](#)**
- **Submit your resolution(s) for a sponsorship request to a SSCCC board member of your choice**
- **Follow the appropriate deadlines:**
 - **February 13th Original Resolution Submission**
 - **February 20th First Resolution Package Disseminated**
 - **March 6th Amendments to Resolutions**
 - **March 13th Amended Resolution Package Disseminated**

And with the help of state legislators, you are actively sharing your advocacy work with many others outside our region of campuses we call home!

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