

Hello, Moorpark College faculty,

I am interested in running for the position of MC Academic Senate President.

Between Moorpark and my previous time at Bakersfield College, I have held several positions of varying responsibility. At Bakersfield College, I was the Equal Opportunity Diversity Advisory Committee Co-chair, College Chair and Grievance Officer for the faculty union, Academic Senate representative, Veteran's Club advisor, and SafeSpace co-facilitator/co-founder. At Moorpark College, I am currently the program lead for the philosophy department, SafeZone co-facilitator/co-founder, and Academic Senate representative for the social sciences department.

While I have experience developing projects from the ground up, I recognize the long-standing quality of work that has already been done with our Academic Senate. In the role of Senate president, I would not see my job as building something new but rather as continuing the work of past presidents in facilitating the navigation of our Senate's responsibilities to the students and taxpayers of Ventura County and California in general. As such, I would look forward to upholding Ed Code and Title 5, advocating for faculty interests, effectively working with the Board and college administration, and the other tasks outlined in part II of the ASCCC Local Senates Handbook.

Having served at Moorpark College for a little over eight years now, I feel it is time for me to engage our campus in this more involved capacity. Thank you for considering my candidacy.

Best,
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