

## DASG Mid-term Senator elections



Lisa Qian (*She/her*)

DASG Events Coordinator Candidate

**If you have held a DASG Senate, De Anza College Student Trustee, or other Student Leadership position in the past, what was your position?**

I was an intern in the Finance, Events, Marketing, and Environmental Sustainability committees.

**Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I hope to work alongside other event senators in planning De Anza student events. I hope to help increase turnout rate for De Anza events and help students bond with one another.

**What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

While planning events, it is crucial for the Events committee to be working closely with the Marketing Committee in particular in order to gain traction for events being hosted. In addition, any events hosted should be done so within a reasonable budget and with environmental sustainability in mind. As an intern of all four of these committees, I believe that I can provide valuable insight and act as a messenger with my experience. In addition, I was elected as 1 of 3 lead interns within the Events committee last quarter and worked closely with the existing senators to plan Lights Out and Destress.

**What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Being an intern in four committees and an internal member of PBL on top of all of my schoolwork has helped me learn better time management skills. I have learned to utilize any tools at my disposal to help with organization and timelines, and in the process have ensured that I am able to give my 100% to all of my commitments.

**What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

Publicity and student engagement has long since been a problem within DASG as a whole. I believe that through planning events that cater towards a wider audience, students will be incentivized to participate as part of De Anza's community.

**Additional Comments:** N/A

**Campus Programs I am involved in:**

De Anza Student Government (DASG) Senate and/or Committee(s), Honors Program

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Johnson Li (*He/him/his*)

DASG Events Coordinator Candidate

**If you have held a DASG Senate, De Anza College Student Trustee, or other Student Leadership position in the past, what was your position?**

DASG Events Intern

**Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become DASG Internal Officer position as Flea Market Liaison because I want to be a reliable guide for the people. The issues I hope to address and resolve is genuine activity in response to both the problems and questions that appear every month in approach and at the Flea Market. This would mean making sure vendors are being aided as soon as possible as they are able to have people present to help. Furthermore, I hope to increase advertisement of Flea Market to people at De Anza. Having been part of the elections campaigning process I don't see the harm in just promoting the Flea Market through flyers or simply word of mouth. Through this both the community and vendors benefit as the Flea Market itself gets bigger and better. As it gets bigger it is important to not forget to take the load off Dayna by seeing what she needs and getting it done.

**What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

In high school, I have experiences of being a teacher to underprivileged students, teamwork as I climbed to tenth place nationals in FBLA with my team, and leadership as an ex French Honor Society officer. At De Anza I collaborate and do my best to help peers understand topics they don't. Being in the running for Chair of Programs at De Anza I have a good grasp of issues in the community and ways to address them. As Flea Market Liaison at DASG I will continue to bring in my skills of teamwork, leadership, and responsibility in order to support successful events for our community.

**What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

I currently have no commitments and will never have any that would stop me from being proactive and present in my role as the Flea Market Liaison. Furthermore, I am usually at De Anza throughout the day and as of right now my confirmed final schedule does not collide with the times of the event committee meetings. If there was to be any unforeseen emergencies I would do my best to stay informed on anything and try to contribute in any way.

**What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

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As a first generation student I understand the struggles with not knowing what I am doing, but where to find a direction. Although De Anza already has a multitude of programs that aid in students, it would be beneficial if resources were just widely present. This is because even when many students do need help they are afraid to ask, simple resources widely accessible would be useful. Furthermore, DASG can address lack of community by simply facilitating interactions through the school. This can be done through simple games around the quad or any activity where the community can participate or watch.

### **Additional Comments:**

I personally have been to the Saturday Flea Market as a shopper, but also a volunteer for its setup from 6 am to 9 am. Having already helped vendors answer questions, I hope to deepen my knowledge as I integrate into the position to better aid community.

**Campus Programs I am involved in:** N/A

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Jasmine Bremner (*She/Her*)  
DASG Flea Market Liaison Candidate

**If you have held a DASG Senate, De Anza College Student Trustee, or other Student Leadership position in the past, what was your position?**

I am an intern for the DASG events committee, the secretary for the STEMscope club, and treasurer for the De Anza Basketball Association club.

**Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become DASG's Flea Market Liaison because I'm interested in contributing to help the Flea Market operate smoothly. I enjoy making sure things stay on track and that tasks are clearly communicated and completed. Through this position, I hope to become more engaged on campus, make new connections, and gain hands-on experience.

**What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

Through my leadership and community outreach experiences, I have developed strong organizational, planning, and problem-solving skills that I would bring to the DASG Flea Market Liaison position. In high school, I served as the Vice President of the Architecture Club, where I helped plan meetings, organize fundraisers, and keep our members engaged. This experience strengthened my ability to manage logistics and follow through on responsibilities. My internship and science research experience have enhanced my attention to detail and improved my time management skills. I am dependable, proactive, and committed to contributing to an organized and efficient DASG environment.

**What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Currently, I'm an officer of two clubs, and my coursework is heavily focused on science and math. I'm able to manage these commitments by prioritizing organization and effective time management. I have an agenda book where I write down deadlines and everything I need to accomplish each day. By planning ahead, I ensure that I don't miss important responsibilities and complete tasks on time. I'm confident I can remain reliable and committed to my academic responsibilities, leadership roles, and this position.

**What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I think DASG should focus on inclusion. Many students at De Anza feel isolated from the rest of the student body, which is a common challenge at community colleges. Making communities more open and

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welcoming to new students would benefit a lot of people. Increasing DASG accessibility to the entire student population would help achieve this. Right now, many opportunities, like volunteering for events, are mostly advertised to students already involved in government. I believe DASG could do more to help all students feel connected to the community and create opportunities for everyone to enjoy their time at De Anza. Additionally, DASG could increase access to support programs and resources, making it easier for students to get the help they need.

### **Additional Comments:**

I genuinely enjoy volunteering at the Flea Market and interacting with all the vendors. I believe the De Anza Flea Market helps bring our community together while also giving support to local small businesses. I've had a lot of fun being a part of it, and I would be excited to contribute in a more active way to ensure its continued success.

**Campus Programs I am involved in:** De Anza Student Government (DASG) Senate and/or Committee(s), Clubs

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*Kaitlynn Chen (she/her/hers)*  
DASG Flea Market Liaison Candidate

**If you have held a DASG Senate, De Anza College Student Trustee, or other Student Leadership position in the past, what was your position?**

DASG Events Intern

**Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become a DASG Internal Officer because I have always been passionate in working behind the scenes in various organizations. I like being involved in planning and executing activities and events that are enjoyed by everyone, specifically De Anza students. At first, I was already an intern for DASG Events Committee and as much as I enjoyed being an intern, I feel like my contribution to DASG is limited. I had many thoughts and opinions for certain events and activities, but do not feel like I was in a suitable position to express all of them. Therefore, I am extremely eager to become a DASG Internal Officer, specifically as the Flea Market Liaison. At first, I had never heard of a flea market before because where I come from, we are not very familiar with these markets. Nevertheless, I want to be DASG Flea Market Liaison because after volunteering and getting to know more about the market, I realized how much of an impact this has to vendors and buyers. Many of them praised De Anza's flea market as one of the best ones in the area. Seeing how enthusiastic they are in our monthly event made me eager to help build DASG's flea market even better than it is today. I want to be able to help these vendors as much as they have helped De Anza and make the event more inclusive than it already is, especially for buyers.

**What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

Some skills that I can bring to the DASG Senate and the Flea Market Liaison position are my strong organizational, communication, and time management skills. I have had some prior experience in being in an organization that has shaped my skills. Back in high school, I was part of my school's student council, and being in that organization has opened me to more opportunities to be involved in school. During those experiences, I learned to manage my time efficiently by being able to balance my school work and other responsibilities, while still staying organized and giving my maximum effort in them. I am also able to work well under certain pressuring environments, while still getting my work done responsibly. In addition, I have strong communicational skills and I can work well with other people. I also think that being inclusive is very important, so I always try to listen and include people's opinions and thoughts into decision making.

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### **What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Aside from signing up to be DASG Flea Market Liaison, I am currently also a CFS Intern and a DABA Social Media Officer. By adding another commitment to my table, I am able to manage my time well by planning out my schedule. I have always used Google Calendar to map out my schedule and track my tasks. The first thing I would do is to block out all the hours when I have classes, then I would input any meeting times for any of the clubs that I am in. The remaining time will be divided between studying, doing school work, and doing the tasks for my commitments. The remaining hours will be used for relaxation. However, in order to not create a burnout, I will always try to not overwork myself and only take on the tasks that I can guarantee will be done with full responsibility and effort.

### **What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I feel like a concern that DASG should address is the lack of student representation and engagement. DASG holds many events and activities that target the entire De Anza student body. During meetings, specifically during my time as an events intern, we would go around the room and discuss about the aspects that we thought were good and some that needed improvement for the future. However, in my opinion this way of evaluation becomes a problem because of how the limited amount of people does not represent the entire student body that enjoyed the event, especially from a point of view that helped organize the event. I think that DASG could address this problem because there are many students out there that have opinions or concerns about activities or events that have not been heard or fully represented. I believe that as the student government, we should be able to increase communication between students and the student government instead of create a boundary between the two. We can mainly start with more forums and outreach where we can enhance this communication so that not only will it benefit the students, but also our future events.

### **Additional Comments:**

During my time volunteering for DASG's Flea Market, I gained an experience that really drew me into wanting to be a part of it. I really enjoyed seeing how our monthly event has brought joy to vendors and buyers, as well as how much it meant to them. I am really interested in helping out in this division to add more to its impact than it already has. I would really like to give my best efforts that comes with the responsibilities in this position.

**Campus Programs I am involved in:** N/A

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Yuexin Ding (*He/him*)  
DASG Flea Market Liaison Candidate

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Event intern

**Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to be the DASG Events Coordinator because I enjoy planning events and bringing students together. I believe campus events make college life more fun and meaningful. I hope to organize events that students actually enjoy and that help them feel more connected to the school community.

**What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

As a current Student Trustee candidate (#56), I have built strong skills in outreach, event coordination, and communicating with different student groups. Through my campaign "Your Voice at the Board," I learned how to plan events, create promotional materials, and connect with students across campus. I have good organizational and leadership skills from balancing my academics, student government work, and personal projects. My experience in managing campaign tasks like designing flyers and scheduling outreach activities can be directly used in planning and running DASG events. I am bilingual in Chinese and English, which allows me to help the Events Committee reach more students. I care about building community at De Anza and want to make sure every student feels welcome at campus events.

**What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

For time management, I use a calendar and to-do lists to plan my weekly tasks and make sure my schoolwork, student government work, and personal projects do not conflict with each other. I focus on tasks with deadlines first and plan ahead for event-related work. As Events Coordinator, I will make sure to set aside enough time to complete my duties and will not let other things affect my work in DASG.

**Additional Comments:**

I am excited about the opportunity to join the DASG Events Committee and help bring more meaningful events to campus. As a student who is actively involved in student government, I understand what De Anza students need and want to help more students get involved in campus life through events. I believe

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my communication skills, bilingual ability, and organizational experience can contribute to the team. Thank you for considering my application!

### **What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

De Anza has a very diverse student body and everyone has different needs. However, I think DASG should focus more on the needs of students who are planning to transfer. Many students face a gap in information during the transfer process. For example, some students do not know the transfer requirements or are not aware of the academic resources and opportunities available to them. DASG should provide more help in this area, such as hosting more events about transferring, sharing transfer-related information, and making sure every student who wants to transfer has equal access to opportunities and support.

Campus Programs I am involved in: N/A