



Student Union Assembly (SUA), Office of the Commissioner of Academic Affairs

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Dear Student Union Assembly,

Under My duties as Commissioner of Academic Affairs of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A Subsection 5 of the SUA Constitution, I present my October 2014 monthly report and evaluation to the Assembly. I will outline all of my events, logistical planning, activities and constructive criticism with areas of improvement in hopes of providing a detailed account in the month’s report.

Goals and projected timeline for the month of October between pay periods of October 1st – October 31st.

Tasks	Progress Dates/Timeline	Tentative Completion Deadline
Hold weekly office hours	10/7/14-	Ongoing
Meet and coordinate with fellow SUA officers	10/3/14-	Ongoing
Attend weekly SUA meetings	10/21/14-	Ongoing
Coordinate with Library staff for LSAC	10/14/14	Ongoing
Participate in Chair and OD Hiring committees	10/11/14-10/26/14	Complete
Attend weekly CEP meetings and report back	10/1/14-	Ongoing
Meet with EVC staff and EVC	10/10/14-10/23/14	Complete
Present Amphitheater project to UCSC Foundation	10/25/14	Complete
Attend Founders Day Fundraiser	10/25/14	Complete

Completed projects, campaigns, events, tasks, or activities

- I had a lot of people come to my officer hours this past month. I met with a CHP reporter and a representative from Hillel. There were several students that new me



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from my previous role and dropped in with questions about interns for the year in the offices. The DoS and a couple library staff members also dropped in and it was good to touch base with them.

- We had several officer meetings this month that I'm glad are happening. We've had a much divided officer core for a while and there is more of a cohesion each time we meet.
- I was in contact with SCOC members, including the IVC several times this month. With so much going on with their budget and other transition materials, they have a lot going on that I was able to provide consolation on. I was also able to provide a lot of information regarding the different chairs and contact persons of committees that the SCOC appoints to.
- I reconsidered the intern positions that were posted last year. There has been a good amount of outreach so far and I'm excited to see who has applied.
- Through a few meetings with some of the new staff on CEP this year, I have found that one of the major issues we will be tackling will be the addition of a possible C- grade. I am still waiting on Academic Senate analysts to get back to myself and the committee regarding our data requests.
- CEP is going over program proposals and reviews as usual now. Every now and then we have a different issue come up from other committees. We are also looking at the overall effectiveness of TA and GSIs in regards to undergraduate education. Although the conversations are intriguing, they appear to be fruitless.
- Throughout the month I met with members of the EVC's Student Success team in preparation for a presentation the EVC and I gave to UCSC's foundation. We had about 20 mins on the foundation's agenda to present about the upper quarry amphitheater. After critiquing and memorizing several slides and talking points, Alison and I gave a presentation to the foundation asking for support of the project.

October review and areas of improvements:

- The office is becoming more and more crowded lately with trash and recycling. I'm unsure as to what is trash or not on the office table and it is making the office space look trashy when holding interviews or other important meetings.
- The Assembly meetings have started off for the year with some great progress although a little bumpy. The space is working on adjusting to this year's community agreements. There have been moments where the space has had a challenge with agreements such as challenge the idea the not person and one mic one diva. Hopefully as the year goes, the assembly will be experienced with using the agreements.



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- After I presented with the foundation, although the presentation was well received, it would have been helpful to have some background information on the members of the foundation so that energy could be focused on those who have more interest in student life projects.
- Our officer meetings have been gaining traction these last three months. They work really well when everyone shows up and that was not always the case. As the year goes on and our schedules become more impacted, I can't stress enough the point that officers put these meetings as a high priority.

In summary, I provide this monthly report for October 2014, as stated as my duty as Commissioner of Academic Affairs of the Student Union Assembly. If any member of the student body has questions or would like me to expand on a certain area, feel free to contact me via email suacoaa@ucsc.edu, or drop by during my office hours.

Respectfully,

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