



Student Union Assembly (SUA), Office of Academic Affairs

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December 2015

Dear President Foster,

As detailed in the Constitution of the Student Union Assembly (Article III, Section A, Subsection 5), my duties as Vice President of Academic Affairs include the submittal of a monthly report and self-assessment to the Assembly. In it, I describe my activities for the pay period, as well as planning for the future, and areas in need of improvement. The month of December was truncated because of the break and the end of the academic quarter, allowing for only four non-finals-week workdays.

Activities and related planning for the pay period of December 1st – December 31st.

Project/Task	Timeline	Deadline
Officer Meetings	07/01/15 – now	In Progress
Brainstorm goals of Office	08/10/15 – now	In Progress
Attend Committee on Educational Policy meetings	09/27/15 – now	In Progress
Attend SCOC meetings	10/07/15 - now	In Progress
Held Student Academic Senate Meetings	10/14/15 - now	In Progress
Held the “Food for Finals” event in front of both McHenry Library and S&E Library, giving out free donuts, coffee, and testing supplies to students to aid studying. This event was extremely successful, and will be continued in the future.	11/30/15, 12/02/15, 12/04/15	Completed
Attended SCOC’s C4 Dinner, and gave a report on the Committee on Educational Policy’s actions for the quarter.	12/04/15	Completed
Attended a luncheon with the Student Regents, discussing the state of student affairs across the	12/04/15	Completed



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Took the Office of Academic Affairs staff out to dinner (with personal funds), a reward for a good quarter.	12/05/15	Completed

Completed:

- The month of December was quite short, with only four non-finals-week workdays. Although the month was short, many great things were done. My office reinstated the “Food for Finals” event, handing out free testing supplies, coffee, and donuts at both McHenry and S&E Libraries.
- I attended the Student Committee on Committees’ (SCOC) C4 Dinner, where I gave an update to those present on the activities of the Academic Senate’s Committee on Educational Policy (CEP). This was a great event, and most everyone seemed interested in what CEP did during the quarter.
- Lastly, I attended a lunch meeting with the Student Regents and the heads of many important departments on campus, and we had a very thorough conversation about the issues facing students at UCSC and across the UC.
- All of these actions and more were detailed in my November Report, accessible on the SUA website, which I encourage the reader to look at for a more in-depth understanding of my actions for both the months of November and December 2015.

Review and Reflection:

- For a reflection this month, I leave the reader with this quote:

*“Isn't it amazing how much stuff we get done the day before vacation?”
-Zig Ziglar*

This monthly report is submitted to the Student Union Assembly as part of my constitutional requirements as Vice President of Academic Affairs. I would like to stress that I take this work very seriously; if any member of SUA, student government at UCSC, or undergraduate student body would like to talk about my actions and role as an SUA Officer, I will gladly make time to meet, inside or outside of my office hours (email: suavpa@ucsc.edu).

Respectfully,



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