



Representative Report
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Appointed Porter Representative

This quarter the Porter College Senate acted to put on three major events: Welcome Week Carnival, Porter College's Naming Anniversary Celebration, and The Studying Slug. These events generally functioned as outreach from the Senate to the larger college body but the Studying Slug in particular provided an important benefit to students by providing a 24-hour quiet studying area.. Porter College also hosted a variety of incredible gallery exhibits including "Doc/Undoc; Documentado/Undocumented Ars Shamánica Performática", featuring the work of artists Guillermo Gómez-Peña and Felicia Rice in a striking display which called into question the attitudes and institutions surrounding issues of identity, racism, and legal documentation.

The SUA this quarter exhibited an admirable resolve to set aside petty internal politics in order to push funding and support towards a rising student movement fighting increases in tuition across the UC system. This ability to set aside personal biases and recognize the urgency and action required in this situation is proof that we are a positive representative body for UCSC. In addition, the tendency for certain individuals to fight against Call to Question motions when there are still people waiting to speak demonstrates a commitment to hearing all representatives (and therefore, hearing the voices of diverse student populations) before voting on a motion. That being said, we have the ability to improve as a space. Certain representatives seem to occasionally find it funny to derail or otherwise slow down meetings using procedural motions or objecting without a real objection. We are representatives of students, but ourselves are also students. We do not need to be wasting our time in these meetings.

I am looking forward to the next quarter and what kind of student action will occur. I also look forward to continuing to act as a connection between those active in the student movement and the official student government.