

## **2023-2024 DASG Elections Commissioner Application**

**Ted Naung**

### **How did you hear about the Student Election?**

Word of mouth

### **Have you held a DASG Senate, De Anza College Student Trustee, or other Student Leadership position in the past?**

Yes

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

ES intern, Flea market intern, Admin intern

### **Why do you want to become the DASG Elections Commissioner and what do you hope to achieve?**

I would like to oversee student elections, ensuring they embody fairness and transparency. This drive stems from my personal life, where my home country of Burma was put into political turmoil due to the absence of proper structures for its elections. I'm also motivated by the belief that these elections are crucial for student representation and empowerment. My goal is to increase student engagement in DASG elections as well as enhance the electoral process, making it more accessible and informative

### **What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Senate?**

As someone who was an intern in multiple DASG committees, I have a good idea about how DASG senate works, and can provide valuable feedback on improving its structure and efficiency. I also have strong communication skills that can help me work collaboratively, manage projects, and drive initiatives that resonate with the student body

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

I have no other commitments other than my classes. So far I can manage them very well and believe I will have enough time to dedicate into the role if I am elected.

**Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

Ultimately, my goal as an election commissioner is to contribute to a robust and vibrant campus democracy, where student elections are a highlight of the college experience, celebrated for their integrity, inclusivity, and impact.

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

Regarding elections, I believe the DASG should address the its low engagements. The votes that came in in last year's elections were quite low in relation to the student body at large, and I feel like not enough people are utilizing the elections to elect the people that they resonate with and whose agendas they would like to see committed. I would like to change that as an elections commissioner, where my main goal would be to increase student participations.