

**Name (pronouns)**

Katelyn Khieu (she/her)

**How did you hear about the DASG Senate?**

I heard about the DASG Senate on welcome day. In addition to the information stand, I met Jessica, Isaac, and Pierce at school. They were such incredible people and Pierce was super helpful and sent me information on DASG/ the many wonderful committees to join.

**If you have held a DASG Senate position in the past, what was your position?****Why do you want to join the DASG Senate, and what do you hope to achieve?**

I have a deep love for our school and want to improve De Anza for all students. I believe that one of the most effective ways to improve De Anza is through active participation in student government. With a higher position in DASG, making changes I feel passionate about will be easier. I would have the opportunity to listen to the concerns of my peers and work to find solutions that benefit the entire student body.

In addition to these goals, I also want to join the student government to uphold the progress that has already been made. Our school has made great strides in recent years, and I want to be a part of the team that continues to push us forward. Whether it is working to improve campus resources, advocating for more inclusive policies, or simply building a stronger sense of community, I am eager to do my part to make our school an even better place to learn and grow.

Furthermore, joining student government would be a rewarding and meaningful way for me to give back to my school community. Through direct action or simply

serving as a representative and advocate for my peers, I am confident that I can make a positive difference as a member of DASG.

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

Some skills and experiences that I will bring to DASG are time management, dedication, and the willingness to dive into new projects. I demonstrated dedication and time management as an intern in flea market by helping to set up the spreadsheet for Winter decorations, helping put up decorations, joining the flea market in the morning, setting deadlines on when items should be finished, and checking in to make sure the orders were done. Although I have joined the flea market and legislative affairs committee as an official intern, I have also been curious about other committees. With that curiosity, I took the initiative to join in and work on projects. This includes learning about graphic design to work with Amy on the 2022 wrap Instagram posts and participating in several finance interviews as well as a budget deliberation. I love to learn new skills and hope that my experience intern will benefit the DASG senate.

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

Besides school, I am part of/ will be part of a couple clubs and plan to do many personal projects. I will manage my time by effectively spacing out my work and making sure I don't overwhelm myself with projects. Because DASG Senate position holds responsibility as everyone relies on each other, I will make time regardless of how busy I am to support my peers.

**Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

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

I think DASG can make internships feel more accessible to students and plan more events. Getting internships and research opportunities can feel quite daunting to someone with little experience. As a community college, I think we can do a better job offering those opportunities and possibly partnering with other organizations. In terms of events, some students I have met have expressed that they would like more events especially after they enjoyed their time during relaxation week. They were excited to meet new friends during this social event and felt a sense of community that they didn't feel before. With more events, we can increase student engagement at school and make them feel more connected.