Name

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How did you hear about the DASB Senate?

I saw the DASG Instagram page.

If you have held a DASB Senate position in the past, what was your position?

Why do you want to join the DASB Senate, and what do you hope to achieve?

I have been in a few leadership positions in the past, but DASG is of a different calibre. As someone who is always looking to learn new things, develop new skills, and polish existing skills, I believe that joining this year's talented Senate would teach me a lot of new things and help me become a better leader as well as a person. I am an undocumented immigrant who is also seeking asylum, and I would love nothing more than to be the voice of other undocumented students and asylum seekers at De Anza College. I believe that my background would bring a new perspective to the Senate, which would help the Senate understand the kind of things that can affect students like me and also the kinds of things that can help us. My home country is also essentially at war, so I can sympathise heavily with other students who also have wars back in their home countries. I would also be the voice of all the students at De Anza who are affected by war. I believe that I can bring a unique perspective to the Senate, which would greatly benefit it.

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

I was an intern at the Flea Market in last year's Senate, and I believe the experience I have gained through my internship will be beneficial for this year's Flea Market Committee, the committee which I want to join. As someone who has been in leadership positions all throughout middle school, high school, and college, I am confident that I have the necessary skill set to help this Senate be one of the best Senates De Anza has ever seen.

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

I am the president of the robotics club at De Anza. The club meets once to twice a week and most of the meetings are on weekends which fortunately doesn't conflict with any of the Senate meetings or committee meetings time. Since I do not have a lot on my plate, I trust that I have enough time to give to the Senate.

Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)

What student concerns do you feel the DASB should address?

Finding housing is extremely hard, especially for undocumented students, since most rental properties require a credit check and a social security number. Unfortunately, most undocumented students do not have such documents, which makes it almost impossible for them to find housing.