

Student government is extremely important on a campus, for it shapes the atmosphere of a school. Because of this belief, I want to be a catalyst of positivity in Bakersfield College. I want to hear and understand the concerns of students and be able to help.

I have consistently been a part of leadership programs for as long as I have been able to. In middle school, I took leadership classes that helped shape my understanding of student leadership and taught me the values of representation. In high school, I participated in Link Crew, ASB, and Interact. Link Crew is a club that specializes in the welcoming of new students to the campus. This opportunity taught me how to make students feel comfortable and at home in a place they had never even seen before. In ASB, I was elected to be Student Body treasurer. This position taught me the values of organization and efficiency. And lastly, but most impactful, was Interact. This was a community outreach club. We volunteered at events such as the Thanksgiving basket giveaway in North Bakersfield that helped low income families, reading books to elementary students, etc. My senior year, I was elected to be the Interact Commissioner of Publicity, and was in charge of publicizing our events around the school. Overall, student leadership is something I have always enjoyed.

Bakersfield College has a student government to express the concerns of the school. We elect our representatives to voice our beliefs and mirror our values. We place our faith in them as leaders, and allow them the responsibility of organizing and making decisions for our campus.

As a student, I value the ideals of servant leadership. I am no better than anyone else on this campus, and am not above anyone else just because of a title. Being a leader does not mean that everyone else is a follower. I believe that this ideology is what catalyzes a positive campus. I want to listen. I want to represent. I want to be a voice for those who are not heard.