



ASOSU 85th Senate Meeting

4/1/2026 | 06:00pm

Location: Virtual and In-Person

Room: MU Room 104

Zoom:

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President of the Senate

Dawson Yang

I. Roll Call/Quorum ~ 06:00pm

- A. Sen. Theon Abbott
- B. Sen. Hannah Barger
- C. Sen. Ryan Becquer
- D. Sen. Emma Böwadt
- E. Sen. David Calzada-Martinez
- F. Sen. Katyayani (Katya) Karlapati
- G. Sen. Camryn Lau
- H. Sen. Avery Lucchi
- I. Sen. Lesly Maldonado
- J. Sen. Zimmer Osbourne
- K. Sen. Lucas Perryman-Deskins
- L. Sen. Jess Sicilia
- M. Sen. Erin Trathen
- N. Sen. Isabella Wright

II. Swearing in of Senators/Proxies

III. Approval of Minutes

IV. Approval of Agenda

V. Senator Nominations: Confirmation Vote

- A. Shaun Durr
- B. Matthew O'Connor

VI. Records Team Nominations: Confirmation Vote

- A. Records Clerk: Kayla Liotine
- B. Website Coordinator: Roshan Aditya Murali
- C. Archivist: Elizabeth Eckman

VII. Attendance Expectation Discussion

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Campus Improvements
- B. Budgets
- C. Outreach
- D. Student Government

IX. Gallery Comments

X. New Business

XI. President of the Senate Announcements

XII. Gallery Comments

XIII. Advisor Comments

XIV. Senator Comments

XV. Adjournment

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December 25, 2025

Dear ASOSU Senate,

How do you best serve a community of students to create a healthy, vibrant, functioning environment for them to work, live, and play in? I believe it all starts with active, genuine listening.

I come from a background of being unheard and discriminated against in school environments due to my gender identity. This is why I am interested in becoming an ASOSU Senator. To aid fellow ASOSU members in creating a safer, more fun, and more efficient learning environment for our community would be an honor and a privilege.

I am a junior majoring in Public Health and International Studies with a minor in Studio Art. My professional goals lie in the field of international public health, with a specialization in mental health. I am also interested in legal advocacy and public health policy for the international transgender community. I am currently a member of the University Legislative Scholars program, where I am focusing on tracking bills for the transgender community, as well as working with state legislators and advocates to learn more about the Oregon State legislature and how to navigate state politics. I also participated in the 2025 OSU Job Shadow program, where I shadowed the Legislative Policy & Research Office at the Oregon State Capitol and made several professional connections with professionals in the office.

Aside from politics and legislation, I have experience working in volunteer leadership positions—such as Volunteer Officer for Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Ambassador at my previous college's Honors Institute, volunteer and guest speaker at the Hudson Valley LGBTQ+ Center in New York, and several other positions. In my professional experience, I have worked with OSU'S College of Science as College of Science Ambassador, where I led tours through the COS, as well as managed the COS email, assisted the COS Dean's Office, and assisted the Director of Undergraduate Recruitment. Additionally, positions such as a special education paraprofessional—where I supervised classrooms of

children in special education programs—have taught me leadership, patience, responsibility, kindness, and professionalism. I am grateful for these learning opportunities and believe they have strengthened the skills I have to offer at the ASOSU Senate. I also have extensive experience in public speaking and presenting, and have led several trainings, presentations, and workshops for social work professionals and conferences.

I believe the skills I've learned in public speech, customer service, leadership, advocacy, event planning, research, and diplomacy can be assets for the ASOSU Senate. Perhaps more importantly, I believe my approach to working in a team and to serving the students is centered around kindness, listening, and understanding.

I would be happy to work alongside the ASOSU to make our campus even better and more enjoyable for the campus community. Thank you for your time and energy in reviewing my application!

Sincerely,

Matthew O'Connor

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Matthew O'Connor

Resume

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Skills

Trained and skilled in public speech, customer service, teamwork, leadership, community service, education, mental health, research and academia, creative and technical writing, graphic design, and the fine arts.

Vision Statement

To utilize science, psychology, and the arts to create positive solutions in human rights, mental healthcare, and social policy at a local, national, and global scale.

Graduated Summa Cum Laude with honors and on the President's List at Seminole State College of Florida in Spring 2023; engaged above and beyond with coursework, was active in the college, and was enrolled in the college's honors program as well as Phi Theta Kappa. Held an officer position within PTK as Volunteer Service Officer as well as in Grindle Honors Institute as an Honors Ambassador. Currently continuing education at Oregon State University with Honors. Continuously active on campus and in community service.

Professional Experience

JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026

Linn-Benton Community College - Public Health CWE

- Works alongside LBCC faculty and public health professionals across the region to strengthen public health program at the College
- Supports planning for the 2026 LBCC Public Health Summit
- Contributes to strengthening the College's Public Health Advisory Board
- Interviews local public health officials, strategically works on major projects, participates in collaborative group activities
- Deepens understanding of community organizing, advocacy, equity, and anti-racist practices in public health in a hands-on, community-engaged, professional setting

OCTOBER 2024 - PRESENT

Temperance Collective LLC - Co-Owner, Founder, and Artist

- Small business co-owner and founder of Temperance Collective LLC, an art business located in Corvallis
- Creates custom fine art commissions in paintings, drawings, and photography
- Independently manages sales, operations, marketing/advertising, bookkeeping, and inventory
- Vends at various festivals, markets, and fairs across the state of Oregon and beyond
- Manages an online storefront and fulfills online orders and shipments across the United States
- Uses excellent customer service and community outreach to attract local customers and private commission clientele
- Builds deep community connections and has existing business partnerships with fellow local businesses

AUGUST 2024 - NOVEMBER 2024

Central High School/Epic Staffing Agency - Special Education Paraprofessional

- Educated and supported high school students placed in special education program
- Assisted head teacher in lessons, especially English
- Independently taught small groups in English language development
- Aided students in their daily school lives and provided for various physical, mental, and emotional accommodations
- Supervised children in varying class environments
- Certified in medication administration and feeding protocol

FEBRUARY 2024 - JUNE 2024

Oregon State University - Writing Consultant

- Assisted students of all backgrounds and educational levels on English and writing skills and assignments
- Worked as part of student and faculty team at OSU's Writing Center with weekly reports and team meetings
- Educated oth remotely and in-person for a variety of class types

OCTOBER 2023 - JUNE 2024

Oregon State University - College of Science Ambassador

- Acted as tour guide for prospective College of Science students
- Directed students and families to appropriate resources and answers any questions asked
- Regaled students with history, benefits, and past/current projects and happenings at the University
- Assisted in marketing, advertising, and social media projects in association with the Dean of the College of Science

JANUARY 2023 - AUGUST 2023

Seminole State College of Florida - Paraprofessional

- Educated and uplifted postsecondary students in college-level English, speech, and writing skills
- Tutored ESOL students in a professional setting
- Worked as part of team in college's Academic Success Center
- Reviewed student work, monitored student performance, and helped draft academic success plans and time management programs

JANUARY 2020 - APRIL 2020

Pet Supermarket - Sales Associate

- Utilized excellent customer service in retail environment
- Sold merchandise to customers
- Cared for live animals for sale in store
- Handled incoming shipments
- Operated cash register
- Opened and closed store

NOVEMBER 2017 - FEBRUARY 2018

Barnes & Noble - Seasonal Bookseller

- Ran store-wide customer service desk
- Operated cash register
- Promoted sales to customers & collected seasonal donations
- Cleaned and organized store
- Handled incoming phone calls to store
- Closed store

MAY 2017 - OCTOBER 2017

Pacific Sunwear - Sales Associate

- Greeted customers as they walked into store
- Sold merchandise to customers
- Operated cash register

Volunteering

OCTOBER 2023

Oregon State University Honors College - Student Leadership Circle

- Met with OSU's Honors Student Leadership Circle to discuss the Honors College Inclusive Excellence Plan review
- Worked with student peers and College administrators to review and revise existing diversity, equity, and inclusion measures in the Honors College
- Rewrote Inclusive Excellence Plan with actionable steps to take for administration

JANUARY 2023-MAY 2023

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society - Officer of Service

- Held office in Phi Theta Kappa chapter officer team
- Officer of Volunteer Service
- Coordinated, communicated, and worked with local community to organize volunteering opportunities for PTK students
- Arranged and led several volunteering events around the county such as tabling at the National Society of Black Engineers' Walk for Education, Seminole County Outreach's waterway cleanups, Seminole County 4-H horse shows, and more.

JANUARY 2023-MAY 2023

Grindle Honors Institute - Honors Ambassador

- Worked with Honors Ambassador team as part of the Grindle Honors Institute at Seminole State College
- Planned and organized events for Grindle Honors students, such as a recurring arts & crafts workshop
- Volunteered and represented the College at various departmental and institutional events

2021-2022

P.O.R.O. of Orlando - Volunteer

- Assisted homeless and low-income populations in city of Orlando
- Worked with P.O.R.O. director to distribute supplies, coordinate events and engage with community

2015-2018

Hudson Valley LGBTQ+ Center - Volunteer

- Helped coordinate and set up events and support groups for local LGBTQ+ community
- Worked closely with Center directors and was chosen to represent the Center in a formal charity gala setting

SUMMER 2017

Southlands Foundation - Volunteer Counselor

- Supervised children in horseback riding summer camp
- Assisted head counselors and helped lead group education
- Assisted in daily horseback riding lessons
- Took care of animals on property and maintained barn and farmlands

SUMMERS OF 2015, 2016

Dutchess Arts Camp - Volunteer Counselor

- Supervised children in arts summer camp
- Assisted teachers and head counselors in group activities and arts & crafts
- Helped team coordinate events and camp activities

Education

SEPTEMBER 2023 - PRESENT

Oregon State University

Bachelor's in Public Health and International Studies and Minor in Studio Art (in progress)

- 3.9 GPA
- Member of Honors College
- Provost Scholarship recipient
- Honors College Scholarship recipient
- Wayne R. and Jule Claire Spesock Memorial Scholarship recipient
- College of Science Ambassador
- Honors Leadership Circle member
- Member of University Legislative Scholars Program

GRADUATED MAY 2023

Seminole State College of Florida

Associate's of Arts with Honors

- 3.9 GPA
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude
- Received Honors Diploma
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa
- PTK Volunteer Service Officer
- Grindle Honors Institute Honors Ambassador

GRADUATED MAY 2019

Econ River High School

High School Diploma

- 3.8 GPA
- Active in community service throughout middle & high school

Awards, Appearances, & Publications

- President's List recipient at Seminole State College for all terms attended (2021-2023)
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude with Honors
- Winner of All-USA Academic Team (Florida) 2022 scholarship; nominee for 2022, 2023
- Winner of Seminole State College's Fall 2022 Social Sciences Video Contest
- Featured Youth Speaker at Hudson Valley LGBTQ Center's 2018 LGBTQ+ Charity Gala
- Interviewed for radio segment on Radio Kingston's OUT Radio
- Interviewed for weekly column in the Poughkeepsie Journal, a major local newspaper
- Interviewed for topic article in Hudson Valley Parent Magazine (2018)
- Co-presenter of "Safety Planning as a Conversation," presented by Briana Johannesen, PsyD, Sandy Essington, LCSW-R, and Matthew O'Connor to Astor Services for Continuing Professional Education (2024)
- Main author of published article for Oregon State University's IMPACT Magazine: "Inspired by mentors and determination, biochemistry senior overcomes doubt to promising biotechnology journey" by Matthew O'Connor (2024)
- Main presenter and facilitator of "Trans in Therapy: How to Better Support Your Trans Clients" for Astor Services for Continuing Professional Education (2024)
- Guest presenter at Building Bridges conference hosted at Vassar College in New York (2025)
- Featured artist in Linn Benton Community College's *Elementals* show hosted by the Corridor Gallery

A senator should, first and foremost, serve the student government that elected them. This service is most clearly expressed through the responsible and intentional allocation of the funds that students entrust us to manage. This belief is the primary reason I wish to reenter the political scene within ASOSU. I believe there is significant room for improvement in how these funds are currently utilized, and I aim to help ensure they are used in a way that best serves the student body (at least within the purview of my role as a senator).

During my time in the senate last year, I created the Campus Improvement Index with the specific goal of utilizing excess funds for campus improvements. Due to the shutdown, this index ultimately has gone unused, and it very well may remain that way without renewed interest. I am seeking this role so that I can help get more initiatives off the ground and ensure that student fees are spent in a manner that respects the students who contribute them each term.

Much of the experience I would bring to the role comes from my previous time serving in the senate, where I became familiar with the work culture and the realistic scope of what we can accomplish. I entered that role with grandiose ideas for change, but over the course of the year I learned to calibrate those expectations to what we were capable of as a senate. I also gained practical experience with the legislative process, including creating and passing bills, adhering to democratic rules of order, and navigating conflict within the senate.

In addition, I currently serve as the vice president of Cru on campus. In this role, I help plan and coordinate events year-round, working closely with other leaders to develop shared goals and execute them effectively. While the scale and impact differ, the nature of this work mirrors the work of the senate proceedings, where cooperation, communication, and compromise are essential to success.

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EDUCATION

Honors Bachelor of Science

Jun. 2026

Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

- Major in BioHealth Sciences (Pre-Med Option)
- GPA: 3.91
- Minor: Public Health
- Relevant Coursework: General and Organic Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Cell & Molecular Biology, Immunology, Parasitology

SKILLS

- Data analysis & organization (Excel, Google Sheets)
- Research coordination and laboratory collaboration
- Event planning and team leadership
- Public speaking and small-group instruction
- Video editing and digital content tools including Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, etc.
- Proficiency with video editing software(s)

HONORS & AWARDS

Honor Roll at OSU (All 11 Terms Attended)

High School Valedictorian

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) / 2024
- Basic Life Support (BLS) / 2023
- Oregon Food Handler's License / 2023

EXPERIENCE

Department of Integrative Biology at OSU, Corvallis, Oregon

Sep. 2025 - Present

Bi22x Learning Assistant

- Co-led a biology lab of 40 students per term with an attending TA to engage and encourage student learning in the Bi22x year-long series
- Partnered with the Kirk Lab to provide thousands of data points for research

Local Farmers Market Vendor, Dayton, Oregon

Nov. 2024 - Present

Operations Assistant

- Collaborated on a booth with seasonal participation at various Farmers Market events selling homemade goods in high traffic environments, interacting with 300+ potential and existing customers to distribute products
- Developed advertising strategies to increase customer engagement and generate several hundred dollars in additional profit
- Evaluated cost effectiveness of product to guarantee profit margins of over 50%

Cru at Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

Jun. 2025 - Present

Vice-President

- Synergized with a small team to oversee and coordinate weekly events year-round for an OSU club with 60+ usual attendees

Associated Students of OSU, Corvallis, Oregon

Jun. 2024 - Jun. 2025

Senator

- Elected student senator responsible for allocating over \$35 million in student fees to university programs

Camp Yamhill, Yamhill, Oregon

Jul. 2022 - Jul. 2023

Camp Counselor

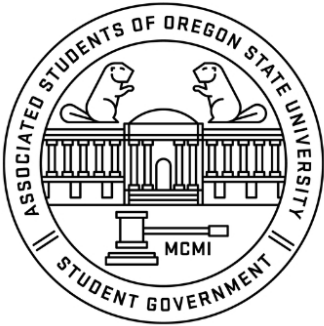
- Counseled with peers over 250 children for a week planning events, nurturing relationships, and leading small groups in content
- Facilitated training and instruction of a team of 8 junior counselors

University Housing and Dining, Corvallis, Oregon

Jan. 2023 - Jun. 2023

Dining Hall Staff Member

- Began in the Marketplace West Dining Hall, serving 100+ students daily at various UHDS owned restaurants on the OSU Corvallis campus; accommodated student requests at behest of UHDS; addressed queries on dining plan options



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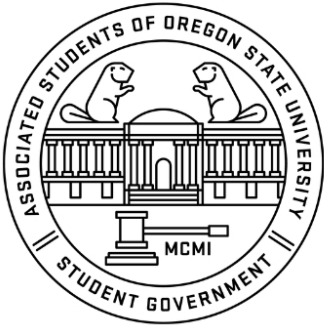
Subject: ASOSU Website Coordinator Nomination

As President of the Associated Students of Oregon State University, and in accordance with the ASOSU Constitution, I hereby present the nomination of Roshan Aditya Murali as the ASOSU Website Coordinator. Although this position is not statutorily designated as a Records Position, I still completed the selection process with an Appointments Committee with the same guidelines and composition as the Records Positions due to my intent to designate this position as a Records Position, subject to Senate confirmation.

In addition to the committee's nomination, I can testify to Roshan's strong qualifications for the position. I believe it to be in the best interest of ASOSU to have Roshan Aditya Murali serve on the ASOSU Records Team.

**Masha Mogylevsky,
ASOSU President**

Date: 03/30/26



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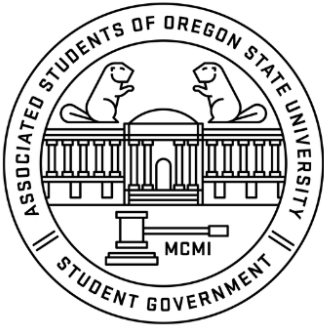
Subject: ASOSU Archivist Nomination

As President of the Associated Students of Oregon State University, and in accordance with the Title V of the ASOSU Statutes, I hereby present the nomination of Elizabeth Eckman as the ASOSU Archivist on behalf of the statutory Appointments Committee, subject to Senate confirmation. This position is designated as support staff, housed in the Executive Branch.

In addition to the committee's nomination, I can testify to Eliza's strong qualifications for the position. I believe it to be in the best interest of ASOSU to have Elizabeth Eckman serve on the ASOSU Records Team.

**Masha Mogylevsky,
ASOSU President**

Date: 03/30/26



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Subject: ASOSU Records Clerk Nomination

As President of the Associated Students of Oregon State University, and in accordance with the Title V of the ASOSU Statutes, I hereby present the nomination of Kayla Liotine as the ASOSU Records Clerk on behalf of the statutory Appointments Committee, subject to Senate confirmation. This position is designated as support staff, housed in the Executive Branch.

In addition to the committee's nomination, I can testify to Kayla's strong qualifications for the position. I believe it to be in the best interest of ASOSU to have Kayla Liotine serve on the ASOSU Records Team.

**Masha Mogylevsky,
ASOSU President**

Date: 03/30/26