

Associated Students

Associated Students Inc. of California State University, Fresno opened its doors in 1975. Today, ASI provides a means for responsible and effective participation in the governance of the campus. It serves as an official voice through which students may express their opinions and assists in the protection of the rights and interests of the individual student and the student body.

The current administration has ignited a strong interest in providing a more representative, diverse, and well-rounded campus and has a special commitment to addressing students' concerns.

The Associated Students Senate consists of the three executive officers — student body president, legislative vice president, and administrative vice president — and 25 senators. There is one senator for each of the eight schools, one for undeclared majors, one for the Division of Graduate Studies, and 15 at-larges. ASI is a nonprofit corporation chartered by the trustees of The California State University.

As a student, you are automatically a member of ASI. Your ASI fee of \$8 per semester supports many programs, such as campus newspapers, University Lecture Series, child care centers, recreation and intramural sports activities, and a variety of multicultural festivals and programs.

Campus Newspapers. *The Daily Collegian*, *La Voz de Aztlan*, *Uhuru Na Umoja*, and *Hye Sharzoom* are perhaps the most important sources of campus news for the university. They publish a variety of information ranging from news to club announcements to cultural items. These campus newspapers can also give students the journalism experience needed to be competitive in the job market. Their offices are in the Keats Campus Building.



The Campus Children's Center. The center's philosophy is to serve those students with the greatest need, i.e., students who must have this service to continue their education. Consequently, enrollments are established on the basis of priorities. The center accepts children from ages six months to six years. For information, call 278-2652.

Faculty/Student Committees. Involvement in a faculty/student committee can give you practical experience and enhance your writing, speaking, reasoning, persuasion, and group interaction skills. Committees provide input into the university budget, academic policies, public affairs, bookstore, and food services operations. Committees interact with faculty members on an equal level when making these important decisions. Students participating on committees have the direct responsibility of making decisions and implementing ideas that affect the entire campus community. Pick up a committee application in the ASI Office.

Annual Budget Process. All recognized clubs and organizations are entitled to participate in the annual budget process held in the spring semester. ASI's budget of more than \$270,000 is distributed to clubs, organizations, and programs.

Instructionally Related Activities. Organizations sponsoring projects directly related to classroom activities or laboratory experiments can apply for funding from Instructionally Related Activities. Activities are an essential element of learning and instructional experiments are an important part of student education. Funding applications are available in the ASI Office.

Educational Research Program. This program provides financial support to both graduate and undergraduate research projects, as well as other scholarly endeavors under faculty supervision in all academic disciplines. Funding supports proposed and in-progress endeavors only. If eligible, you can apply for this funding during the fall or spring semester.