Student Government ASCOCC

Elected Council Member
Candidate Packet
2024-2025

Election Process

One Council member will be elected by the student body before the end of the spring term. The Appointment Committee will then appoint the additional Council members (See Article VI, Section 5 of ASCOCC Constitution).

Elections for Council members are held during spring term. Voting shall be done electronically using the College's online survey system and made available to students for a minimum of three days.

Elections are administered and regulated by the Office of Student Life. Grievances regarding the election process may be submitted to the Director of Student Life who shall be responsible for facilitating resolution. Decisions may be appealed to the ASCOCC Advisory Committee's Hearings Board.

Available Positions

*Individual candidates must choose one (1) position.

President – 15 hour/week commitment:
$840 per month
Term begins July 1, 2024

- Chief executive officer & chair of council meetings
- Acts as the official spokesperson for COCC students on campus and in the community
- Responsible for working with the council on the administration of programs

- Initiates the annual budget planning process
- Develops a yearly plan for council initiatives and student needs within 60 days of being elected
- Establish expectations and goals for the council and evaluate the council's performance twice yearly
- Represents student interest for COCC Board of Directors and for other administrative spaces
- Works with the council to establish standards and goals for each individual position

Am I eligible to apply?

Applicants must maintain a minimum of six (6) COCC credits throughout each term in which they serve as a Council member. Council members serving during *summer* term must be enrolled in at least one COCC course of three credits (3) or more.

Applicants must have a minimum COCC cumulative 2.0 grade point average to run for or be appointed to office.

All ASCOCC council members are required to attend bi-monthly council meetings on the second and fourth Fridays of each month from 10-11 a.m.

Criminal background checks will be conducted on all (elected and appointed) eligible candidates in accordance with COCC policy. Candidates will receive criminal background check procedures upon submission of application packet. Final candidacy will be contingent upon passing a criminal background check.

All applicant requirements will be verified by the Director of Student Life prior to elections.

Failure to meet any of these position requirements will result in disqualification of the application for election.

How do I apply?

This information will be used on the ASCOCC website and Qualtrics for students to review your qualifications for the election. Personal information will be redacted.

1. **Apply Online:**
   Applications for elected positions must be submitted through PeopleAdmin (https://jobs.cocc.edu), click 'Temporary P/T positions and search 'ASCOCC'

2. **Campaign for Office:**
    Each Presidential candidate must run for office. See official campaign rules below. Candidates may campaign between May 4-26 and elections run May 20-26. Candidates are also asked to participate in a candidate forum moderated by The Broadside on May 15 at noon in the dining hall.

Election Schedule

Schedule is subject to change.

April 8	Applications Available Online
May 3	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. (https://jobs.cocc.edu)
May 4-26	Candidate Campaigning (all campaign rules below)
May 15	Candidate Forum	Campus Center Dining Hall, noon to 1 p.m.
May 20-26	Elections Facilitated through Qualtrics email link
May 30	Candidates Notified of Results
June	2024-2025 ASCOCC Council Confirmed by COCC President
Sept. 9-12	Required fall training for all council members

Campaign Information

Campaign regulations:

1. Any active or passive campaigning through the use of unsolicited e-mailings or phone calls is prohibited.

2. Candidates or agents representing candidates may not provide voting stations or assist voters in casting their vote.

3. All campaign materials must comply with current COCC campus posting policies, with the additional stipulations:

a. May not use the COCC or ASCOCC logo in any form.

b. May not slander any person running for office or involved in the election process or current members of ASCOCC.

Violations of election policies may result in a warning and up to immediate disqualification from the election. Response to violations is the sole discretion of the Director of Student Life. Appeals of Director of Student Life decisions will be heard through the ASCOCC Advisory Committee.

For more information about ASCOCC, visit www.cocc.edu/ascocc, or contact Lindsay Buccafurni at lbuccafurni@cocc.edu