

Pan Yuen “Ve” Lau – Diversity Student Alliance

Part of the reason I am running is to become more actively involved with my college life and also develop my social and leadership skills. Joining SGA provides me opportunities to learn different cultures and to be a leader. However, the main reason is that I want to serve my school to the best of my abilities. I hope I can help to make a positive change by taking a position in SGA.

I am an active member of the Chinese Student Club. I am a Work-Study student at financial aid office (C107). As a Federal Work-Study Student, I have improved my communication skills greatly. Also, at the current position I have learned how to serve. I have joined many campus events, such as the Asian Heritage and the Students Club Fair. These kinds of experiences have prepared me for a student leader.

Laguardia is such a diverse college whose student body is made up of people who speak nearly 130 languages natively. Therefore, many students are facing language barriers which include writing and speaking. The students still perform badly in spoken English, even though they finished ESL classes, because English classes and writing center are majorly focused on writing skills. If I am elected, I will bring more events to improve these students' spoken English skills, such as English corner activities. Also, I will listen to our fellow students.

To improve the quality of campus life at Laguardia, I will plan to organize an International Students Alliance, if I am elected. This kind of organization provides international students opportunities to share their cultures. People can really connect with each other. It will also give US students the opportunity to learn other cultures and know more about the world. Moreover, I will try to seek scholarship information and distribute the information to our fellow students.

To connect and engage with the student body, the best way is through conversation. Having conversations with student body, we will find the issues they are facing; we will know what they really need; we will find the way to help them. As an association, we will commit to follow through with all problems, to help students as best we can do. We want students to be comfortable seeking us out and share their ideas and perspectives with us. To achieve that, we will hold more events to make students have fun that feel Laguardia is another home. And also will do surveys to find out students' needs.

To be elected means a lot to me. I consider myself to be a hardworking leader who is motivated by challenges. If you need an experienced leader. Elected me! If you need someone who does not afraid of challenges, elected me! Elected me! Let YOUR voice to be heard. My name is PanYuen Lau. Give me A chance, let me show you what we can achieve. Together, We make it happen

