SSCCC 2022-2023 State Legislative Priorities

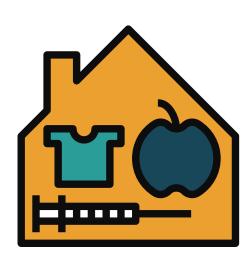


"Consolidating What We Have, Creating What We Need"

The Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) is the official voice of 1.8 million community college students. Our mission is to enrich the collegiate experience for all California community college students by pursuing policies that will improve student access and success while engaging and empowering local student leaders and honoring equity and diversity.

Basic Needs

Zoning reform to increase the availability of housing, encourage college policies for unsold cafeteria and bookstore food be redirected to Basic Needs Centers, and ensure Basic Need Centers include mental health and menstrual support.





Financial Aid and Affordability

Full implementation of the Cal Grant Reform Act

Zero Cost Textbooks

Improve the implementation of

 LibreText as a public platform for
 community colleges and encourage
 local budget oversight on the
 sustainable implementation of Open
 Educational Resources/Zero Textbook

Cost funds at local colleges.





Transportation

Greater access to dependable and affordable public transportation.

Technology and Broadband Access

Increased investment in broadband infrastructure and access to affordable, competitive alternatives to broadband that are otherwise unavailable due to monopolies.





Diverse and Underrepresented Students

Continue advocating for the rights of often underrepresented student populations including, but not limited to career technical education, non-credit, STEM, differently abled, justice-involved, LGBTQ+, adult learners, student parents or guardians, English as a second language, veterans and others.

Student Privacy

Eliminating Proctorio and Proctoring Systems. These proctoring services are invasions of privacy and result in inequitable outcomes because the software struggles to recognize non-white faces.





Federal Priorities

Fighting on behalf of undocumented students, increasing financial aid, and lowering GI bill requirements.

Student Enfranchisement

To ensure the interests of all students are adequately represented, SSCCC is advocating to require every trustee board to allow student trustees to have an advisory vote; creating and enforcing community college district board of trustee term limits; full system representation on the California Student Aid Commission; reform of recent Brown Act amendments; system free speech codes reform and standardization; and separating the Student Representation Fee (SRF) from SSCCC and local SBAs.



For information about the legislative priorities, please contact the Vice President of Legislative Affairs at vpla@ssccc.org.