



ACADEMIC SENATE

CSU BAKERSFIELD

Academic Senate 2026-2027

Position	Name	Department	Term
Chair*	Melissa Danforth	Computer and Electrical Engineering and Computer Science	May 2026-2028
Vice Chair*	Tiffany Tsantsoulas	Philosophy and Religious Studies	May 2026-2028
CSU Senator*	Charles Lam	Mathematics	May 2026-2029
CSU Senator*	Nyakundi Michieka	Economics	May 2025-2028
AH Representative	Maria Palaiologou	Philosophy and Religious Studies	May 2025-2027
AH Representative	Bianca Moreno	Communications	May 2026-2028
BPA Representative	Di Wu	Finance/Accounting	May 2026-2028
BPA Representative	Sumita Sarma	Management/Marketing	May 2025-2027
NSME Representative	Leslie Kirstein	Nursing	May 2026-2028
NSME Representative	Amber Stokes	Biology	May 2025-2027
SSE Representative	Zachary Zenko	Kinesiology	May 2025-2027
SSE Representative	Sarana Roberts	Special Education	May 2026-2028
Antelope Valley Representative	Kristine Holloway	Librarian	May 2026-2028
At-Large Representative	Heidi He	Nursing	May 2026-2028
At-Large Representative	Amanda Grombly	Librarian	May 2026-2028
At-Large Representative	Alice Hays	Teacher Education	May 2025-2027
At-Large Representative	Antje Lauer	Biology	May 2025-2027
At-Large Representative	John Deal	Economics	May 2026-2028
At-Large Representative	Rhonda Dugan	Sociology	May 2025-2027
Lecturer Electorate Representative	Dirk Horn	Political Science	May 2025-2027
Staff Representative	Cindy Zúñiga-Prado	Enrollment Systems	May 2026-2028
ASI President	Noor Kaur	ASI President	May 2026-2027
Dean Representative	Deborah Cours	College Dean of Business and Public Administration	May 2026-2027
VP for Academic Affairs **	Deborah Thien	Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs	
Administrative Contact**	Katherine Van Grinsven	Academic Senate Analyst	

* Executive Committee

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