ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
CANDIDATE PROFILES
The Following Questions were asked:

What would you like the student community to know about yourself?

Which ASUH committee is your LEAST pick to be in, and why?

Which standing committee is your TOP pick to be in, and why?
I would direct funding to support students who are specifically at-risk of failing or dropping out of college through programs or events. While financial factors are the leading cause of students leaving the university, there are many other factors that can hinder a student’s ability to do well in school or enjoy their experience. By identifying these factors and targeting them through programs and events, I would like to improve campus life for students who may be suffering the most.

An opinion that I would like to be reviewed relates to efforts put towards resources for in-state students. A large portion of University advertising and programs are directed towards out-of-state students. While our out-of-state students are an integral part of the student body, I believe that the school needs to allocate more support to our local students, namely Native Hawaiian students in the form of education-based programs and events that involve input from the community and student body.

My top pick for standing committee membership would be Campus Life. I feel that my experiences planning successful events throughout high school as a student government representative and in college as an RIO officer would make me a valuable member of this committee, and that my contributions would be most effective and meaningful in this role.

My bottom pick for standing committee membership would be Finance. I have comparatively little experience managing finances as it is not something I study nor part of my hobbies. However, if placed on this committee I would do my best to learn and put full effort into making valuable contributions.
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The Student Affairs standing committee is my top pick to be in because I want to be able to find effective, realistic, and well-thought solutions to some of the issues students may have on campus.

I would direct funding to engineering organizations within the College of Engineering to ensure students are more involved in groups outside of the classroom. In addition to that I would direct funding to some of the student service programs, such as the LGBTQ+ Center & NHSEMP etc., that help underrepresented groups of students within our community become successful in Higher Ed.

The Campus Life standing committee is my least pick to be in because I am not an on-campus resident at Manoa. I commute to Manoa from Ewa Beach everyday so I am unfamiliar with student life on-campus and how that plays out.

I would definitely look towards more programs to fuel a commuter friendly initiative on-campus. Commuter students make up a big chunk of the student population. Getting commuter students access to study spaces, resource groups, and hangout areas is important to cater more towards this population of students.
I would direct funding towards events like donut days, movie nights, or any other social event. I think that using the funds on the student body in this way is an awesome method to create a positive campus environment.

I am a Secondary Education Major and I am someone who likes fun and friendly events most. Any future ideas I have to make the campus more fun for all students will involve getting students involved and creating a fun and pleasant atmosphere to be in...

I would say that finance would be my least favorite. It strikes me as a very "sedated" area of work and isn't something that would allow me to make friends and help create fun memories for the student body.

It would revolve around student engagement and ASUH involvement and collaboration with other clubs and organizations.

I love the Campus life committee. I am a social chair for 3 clubs and planning events is my passion. I love making fun and cool events that can help attract any interested students into being more involved in campus events and I think that this committee is a perfect fit for my passions and goals.
HIRAM RAMIREZ

I enjoy surfing, scuba diving, and soccer.
I am a psychology major because I know very little of engineering.
Looking to improve learning environments in order to increase learning potential and investing on improving classrooms.
My name is Aimie and I’m a sophomore at UH Manoa. I currently major in Business Exploratory and I plan to major in Finance and Economics. And I’m excited to be a senator at ASUH because I love challenges and I’m excited to grow and learn from this experience!

If I can set up funding proposals up to $2,500, I would like to direct funds to campus events such as events to provide self-care tips with a focus on reflection on accomplishments at the end of the semester. Moreover, I would like to set up scholarship opportunities for students for the upcoming semester.

My top committee pick would be the campus life committee because I love to engage in campus life activities. And in fact, I was inspired to be a part of ASUH due to campus events hosted by ASUH. For instance, I loved events such as Sinclair Study Nights and movie 3D showings. Both of the events were available for free or reasonably cheap cost for all students.

If I write stances for the student government to form a consensus on, the first opinions I’ll draft about would be about the college high-cost tuition and request for increase in support for international students. I think tuition is costly. And I believe international students deserve the same scholarship opportunity as US students.

My last pick would be the election committee because I believe the election committee would focus more on the policy and administration side of the organization. And I rather prefer to be more engaged in students’ life community and campus events. So, I can engage with students through campus events and hear out from students about issues and, I can think of implementing our campus and student life.
MIGUEL VIZCARRA

Hi, I'm Miguel and want to make sure I am getting my money worth coming to this university. We pay LOADS in tuition. Does the student government do anything? I want to make sure the people in student government are doing their job not putting their names for a resume booster. Add my insta @_miguelvizcarra to tell me what you want changed here. Snap: miguelvicarra59 The food is gross and the dorms are moldy #DISGUSTING!