

Fatiatamai Folau

Sacramento City College

Beta Eta Psi Chapter

POSITION      NORTHEAST DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENT

Talofa California and Nevada members! My name is Fatiatamai Folau and I am a fulltime student at Sacramento City College. I am extremely interested for the District Vice President NVCA position for the upcoming 2018-2019 period. As an extrovert, I obtain the skills of socializing and effectively communicating through charisma and assertiveness. As a Student Assistant Personnel for the Jr. Rise Program in Sacramento, I emulate my leadership through my outreach at local high schools. I provide assistance to Seniors and Juniors in regards to college navigation and developing necessary skills for the college transition. In addition, I facilitated lesson plans and "icebreakers" amongst students. Through this, I was able to build rapport and foster close connection with my students. I am heavily involved with my community, especially the Polynesian community. Every Wednesday from 12-4pm, I am a frequent volunteer for the weekly RISE food distribution at Sacramento City. This distribution allows Sac City students to have free produce donated from the Sacramento Food Bank. It is comforting to witness the gratitude expressed by the students who attend this weekly food distribution. As a Pacific Islander, serving others is an integral aspect of my culture. I am passionate about helping others because of I believe in reciprocity. Because of the immense help I have received from fellow mentors and counselors, I want to pay it forward to others. There is a proverb in Samoa, "*O le ala o le pule, o le tautua.*" This means, "the path to authority is through service." By serving others and following the reciprocity paradigm, an individual is able to build character, endurance and experience. With this, I believe having a figure emulating the importance of serving others is why I am worthy contender for the District Vice President NV/CA region. By serving my community and representing my the NV/CA region, I hope to fulfill the needs for all. I promise to promote academic excellence for minorities and disadvantaged students as seen in my outreach for Luther Burbank High. My experience as seen through my leadership has enabled me to transform in an articulate, persisted individual. I am also ebullient and rambunctious. This is illustrated in my role as the "hype man" for the Sacramento Polynesian Club. As the "hype man" I conducted school chants and conducted songs. I am excited to bring flamboyant flair for the honorary role as Vice President for the NV/CA region. Thank you for your time and consideration! I hope to see you soon at San Jose!

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