

Nate Magari

Hello Bruins,

My name is Nate Magari, and I am running for USAC President. As the Director of Campus Affordability, I have gained extensive experience working to make campus more affordable and accessible for all students. On the other hand, I have also witnessed how the student government has failed to prioritize the needs of the student body. We need to demand that our student fees are being used to benefit all UCLA students, and not just a select few. It is crucial that we hold USAC accountable to ensure that the needs of all students are being met.

As your USAC President, I will work to prioritize resources that are essential to student success, such as mental health support and academic advising. Furthermore, we need to create a more transparent and accessible USAC that represents the diverse student body. I will continue to prioritize the Financial Support Commission's auditing program to ensure that student fees are spent both transparently and responsibly. The task at hand is difficult, but with your help, we will make USAC a compelling advocate for the students.

I am committed to making these changes as your USAC President. Together, we can create a government that serves the people and truly represents the needs of all students. So, I ask for your vote and support to help bring about the change we deserve. Thank you.

Platform

Here for the People:

- My favorite ice cream flavor is cookie dough
- I'm a third year student with a double major in Astrophysics and Applied Mathematics:
 - Come to the UCLA Planetarium show on May 10th if you don't believe me
- I love helping people!

Transparency and Accountability:

- Increase audits of USAC offices and affiliated groups
 - Keep the message clear: USAC is funded by the people, for the people
- Create a public website for expenditure transparency
 - All discretionary funds will be publicly available for student view

Affordable Student Resources:

- Tuition should include all materials needed for success
 - Partnerships with academic departments to offer accessible materials (such as lab necessities) will ease the financial expectations of students
- Improving Inclusive-Access:
 - Forgetting to opt out unnecessarily costs Bruins money
 - Making the default "opted out" will remove these costs

Community Involvement:

- Student discounts in Westwood
 - Establish partnerships with local businesses to offer student discounts to help UCLA students afford LA living costs
 - Create a database of discounts for easy access to help bring more customers to these businesses while saving UCLA students money

Student Appointments:

- Welcoming the general student body to occupy seats on the auditing committee to ensure USAC funds are allocated properly
 - Remember, USAC is funded by the people, for the people!

Experience

- As Director of Campus Affordability for FSC this year I was able to directly help students through lab material rentals, financial workshops, and Westwood business discounts among other programs. As a result of this position, I was able to grow as a public servant.
- I served as the President of my highschool student council for 2 consecutive years, along with 2 years prior as a council representative. Under my leadership, the council fundraised enough money to provide clubs with grants in addition to the funds used for school events and service projects.
- I have a unique perspective as an astrophysicist that allows me to put aside personal biases and use the scientific method in my approach to governance.
- Through actively listening to your voices I am constantly gaining experience and will continue to do so on the job. Please email me at natemagari@g.ucla.edu if you want to talk about anything!