



COLUMBIAESC

ENGINEERING STUDENT COUNCIL

Meeting Agenda and Reports
Monday, January 25, 2021

Upcoming Events / Meetings

1. Thurs, 1/28, 8 PM EST, "Non-Traditional Careers" Alumni Panel (collab with EGSC and CEYA)

For any FB Blasting, please put all links here with your name

- [\(1\) Columbia Engineering Student Council | Facebook](#)
 - Shomik: Alumni Panel
 - <https://www.facebook.com/160722737377300/posts/3588561671260039/?d=n>
- Semester report , Adheli
 - <https://www.facebook.com/160722737377300/posts/3587828807999992/?d=n>

Discussion Topics

1. [Topic], [Time requested]
2. Curving down for classes, Shomik
 - a. Compile list of professors who curved down for classes
 - b. Some professors were less forgiving during the fall semester; high marks were curved down

Position Updates

1. Student Body President: Estevan Mesa
 - a. Coordinating a meeting with Scott Wright (aiming for this friday); things to bring up:
 - i. NYT subscription - what is the status of this?
 - ii. Columbia Via App - how expansive is the service for the spring/any changes from the fall; interest in expanded services by columbia students that use it
 - b. Meeting with Dean Morrison on Wednesday
 - i. Continue conversations on P/D/F initiative for the spring
 1. Get any stats from the Fall (i.e. how many SEAS used it/uncovered)
 2. Discuss timeline - how can we get a decision sooner in the semester
 - a. Perhaps negotiate terms to get a decision sooner (e.g. if we can get it passed early on where students have to pre-select the class they would want to p/d/f, would this be possible/of interest by students?)

- ii. Follow-up on 40 credit limit policy
 - 1. Not likely to change given this is a logistical and financial decision made at the Board level, not at the School level
 - iii. Discuss plans for graduation ceremony
 - 1. Last update was that nothing had been determined but likely to host event in the future like with % 2020
 - 2. Ask what the potential is for a smaller, students-only graduation in the spring → what about students who aren't near campus?
 - c. Met with CCE on Friday with other council members
 - i. Following up on the idea for a centralized resource folder with recordings from informational career events, panels, etc.
 - d. One Volunteer needed for the Kings Crown Leadership Excellence Awards Committee <https://www.cc-seas.columbia.edu/awards>
 - i. Meeting on fridays 9-11am, the first one already took place, only 3 remain
- 2. VP Policy: Ahmet Karadeniz
 - a. New time for Policy meetings: Sundays 12 - 1 pm
 - b. New structure for meetings:
 - i. I will format the policy section of the workbook so that each member can enter their updates from the past week and enter goals for the following week
 - ii. I will ask that Policy Committee members fill out their updates/goals by Saturday nights
 - iii. I will read the updates before the meetings and take some notes to share during the meeting, so we can run over updates much quicker (15 - 20 mins) and spend the remaining time on actually working on initiatives (40 - 45 mins)
 - iv. I will create breakout rooms for joint initiatives
- 3. VP Student Life: Katherine Liu
 - a. SEAS Merch (T-shirt & Mask)
 - i. More than 400 items given out!
 - ii. Estimated delivery around mid-Feb
 - b. Scribble Night (Feb 11 & 12)
 - i. Prizes to top 2/3 players of each session
- 4. VP Finance: Sophia Sagandyk
 - a.
- 5. VP Communications: Adheli Gonzalez
 - a. Semester report has been distributed to the student body and added onto the website
 - b. Please submit clips for semesterly update video (if you volunteered to give an update)
- 6. University Senator: Joe Hier
 - a. Placed on SAC Virtual Learning and Mental Health Task Force

7. Class of 2021: Kalisa Ndamage, Bret Silverstein, Ashley Rosenberg, Ethan Thayumanavan, Zhuoli Zhang
 - a. [Most] Caps & Cocktail Shakers delivered
 - b. Sending class day speaker recommendations to Dean Boyce this week
 - c. Renting in New York Webinar planned
 - d. Figuring out senior events with advisor this week
8. Class of 2022: Naomi Kim, Stephanie Guo, Nicholas Mijares, Eugene Fung
 - a. Started planning for Junior Cocktail Class Collab with CCSC '22
9. Class of 2023: Angel Mancera, Kennedy Salamat, Rommel Nunez, Matthew Wahl
 - a. Friend pairing form
 - b. Planning open mic
 - c. In contact with Emma Williams for possible collaborations
10. Class of 2024: Malik Javaid, Jarom Miller, Suheyra Tozan, Steven Gutterman
 - a. Began planning for events
 - i. Major panels from upperclassmen and alumni
 - ii. Many social events such as game night/more speed friending
 - b. Began discussions for policy proposals as well
 - i. NSOP meetings will continue to happen
 - ii. Push forward major declaration deadline
11. Technology Representative: Vish Rao
 - a.
12. Racial Diversity and Inclusivity Representative: Elias Tzoc-Pacheco
 - a.
13. First Gen and Low Income Representative: Martha Escobedo
 - a.
14. Gender Identity and Sexuality Representative: Athena Tsu
 - a.
15. Disability and Accessibility Issues Representative: Dilara Zaimoglu
 - a. I won't be able to attend the meeting due to the time difference; Katherine can deliver the following
 - b. In contact with Blake Jones, CCSC Disability Services Rep, for a potential mentorship program for students with disabilities
 - i. Working on a survey to see if the student body would be interested
 - ii. Will meet with ODS to arrange the specifics
 - c. Career centre is organizing a career fair for students with disabilities on Feb 3 and a workshop for it this Friday. They asked us to share the event and I sent the required information for the newsletter to Estevan
16. Academic Affairs Representative: James Wang
 - a. Meeting with Victoria Brown on Wednesday to discuss emerging Academic Integrity issues from previous semester and how to approach faculty and student body
17. Student Groups Representative: Theo Mack
 - a.

18. Sustainability Representative: Justin Paik
 - a.
19. Professional Development Representative: Shomik Ghose
 - a. 1/28 "Non-Traditional Careers" Panel
 - b. Alumni Office Hours Pilot Updates -> Expanded version this semester
20. Campus Affairs Representative: Sergio Butron
 - a. Student Leadership Advisory Council update
21. International Students Representative: Egem Yorulmaz
 - a.
22. Combined Plan 3-2 Representative: Blossom Parris
 - a.
23. Student Health and Wellness Representative: Lori Luo
 - a. Peer Ambassador Network - Did training over winter break, have started bi-weekly meetings
 - b. Meeting with Anne Marie from Dodge on Wednesday