Hi everyone, my name is Sofia Raguel Smith! I am super excited to be running for a position on the Associated Student Government 2024-2025 board. As a candidate for the position of Vice President of Internal Affairs, I am deeply committed to recognizing the diverse voices and concerns of our student body at SBCC. My intentions as a representative are to uphold SBCC's mission of equity, diversity and inclusion. These values are crucial as they foster equal opportunities, resources, and participation, which creates a more enriching and supportive environment. I believe that holding exciting activity-based events on campus serves as a platform for students to come together as a community, outreach and form bonds, as well as learn more about the amazing resources, clubs, and programs that SBCC offers. By planning events that promote inclusivity, honor diversity, and showcase the talents and achievements of our student body, we can increase student engagement and create a strong sense of belonging in the SBCC community. Additionally, I am committed to ensuring accountability within ASG. As VP of Internal Affairs, I will work closely with my fellow members to ensure they have the resources and guidance to fulfill their roles effectively. An issue concerning students is the lack of their input in executive decisions made at SBCC. I will make sure that my peers' voices are accounted for by actively attending faculty meetings and committees to ensure students are being represented, have the resources they need to succeed, and overall ensure that SBCC is meeting the highest standards of education. As a previous member of ASG I believe my past experience has equipped me with valuable skills and knowledge to help create change that will benefit the campus community. As your elected representative, I am dedicated to collaborating with students, faculty, and other leaders to increase transparency and push for initiatives that promote the well-being of SBCC and maximize its full potential. I am honored with this opportunity and deeply appreciate your time and consideration, thank you!