

## Candidates



**Emilio Alfredo Morrone**  
Student Trustee Candidate



**Ivan Gonzalez**  
Student Trustee Candidate



**Ashley Wilson**  
Student Trustee Candidate



**Elisa Stough**  
President Candidate



**Jessica Stechman**  
President Candidate



**Billal Virani**  
Vice-President Candidate



**Casey Jones**  
Vice-President Candidate



**Sijia (Charlotte) Xu**  
Vice-President Candidate

### STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

The Student Body President serves as the primary representative of all students. The President presides at meetings of the Student Leadership Council. The Student President meets directly with the Administration and is the voice for the student body. Both the President and VP serve a one-year term from April of the Spring Semester to May of the following year.

### STUDENT BODY VICE-PRESIDENT

The Student Body Vice-President serves as the primary officer in charge of College-Wide Committee representation of the Student Leadership Council and assists the Student Body President. Both the President and Vice-President attend the Board of Trustees meetings.

### STUDENT TRUSTEE

The Student Trustee is elected for a one year term and provides a student perspective to the College's Board of Trustees. The Student Trustee has the same rights, privileges and responsibilities as all trustees, except that of a binding vote; the C.O.D. Student Trustee gives an advisory vote prior to the other trustees' votes.

### **VOTE on APRIL 8 OR APRIL 9**

**SRC/IC 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Foyer:**

*(near Public Safety)* 9am - 2pm &  
5:30 - 7:30pm

**M Building:** 9am - 2pm

**MAC:** 9am - 2pm (Wed. only)

**PE Building:** 9am - 2pm (Th. Only)

# College of DuPage STUDENT ELECTIONS

Wed., April 8<sup>th</sup> – Th., April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009

# VOTER'S GUIDE









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This STUDENT ELECTION is offered to provide learning opportunities for candidates and voters. Winners will be announced April 10, 2009.

This Guide is produced to assist student voters in participating in the privilege of voting as citizens of the College of DuPage community.

***This election is separate from local, state and national elections and does not require students to be registered voters or U.S. citizens.***

***In order to vote, students must be currently enrolled students at College of DuPage in at least one credit hour.***

POSITION	CANDIDATE	ACTIVITIES	PLATFORM STATEMENT	FORUM NOTES
Candidate for <b>Student Trustee</b> Ashley Wilson Shade #1		Giving back to a community that has afforded me many opportunities is extremely important and a pleasure. In the end, all that really matters is what you contribute. I have given my time to Operation Snowball, my local park district, police station, and more recently, Student Ambassadors.	I've never had a problem with standing up for what I believe in, and will prove to be no different in standing up for what you, the students, believe is important at College of DuPage. My hard work and dedication will make it possible for you to see the change you desire. Let my actions speak louder than my words!	
Candidate for <b>Student Trustee</b> Emilio Morrone Shade #2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As a member of SLC , I am helping with Student Advocacy Day</li> <li>- Involved in an Italian American Organization</li> <li>- Helped campaign for the recent congressional race in the 13<sup>th</sup> district</li> </ul>	I feel that it is necessary to engage every student on the matters that affect them. I will have many outlets to be reached through e-mail, telephone, and my website < <a href="http://www.emiliomorrone.com">www.emiliomorrone.com</a> > you can leave feedback as well as receive updates on issues that affect us. I will provide adequate representation of the students to the board of trustees. You will be heard.	
Candidate for <b>Student Trustee</b> Ivan Gonzalez Shade #3		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two years as proud representative of SLC</li> <li>- VP of International Student Organization</li> <li>- Member of Alpha Beta Gamma honor society</li> <li>- Teach seniors how to use computer software</li> <li>- Tutor children in English and Spanish</li> <li>- Participate in community outreach activities</li> </ul>	The college has opened a new chapter and we have to make sure that students are in mind in every single page of this chapter. I will be an outspoken student trustee to make sure that our voices are heard, no matter how many hours it will take or enemies I will make, because students will always come first. No matter what the price is.	
Candidate for <b>President</b> Elisa Stough Shade #4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Participated in Feed My Starving Children</li> <li>- Participated in Trick-o-Treat for UNICEF</li> <li>- Made cards for Brighton Gardens elderly</li> <li>- Volunteer at my church's nursery on Sunday</li> </ul>	If elected, I will use my leadership training and skills to give the students of College of DuPage a voice. Because I am widely involved in student activities, I know that we need a voice in decisions that affect us. As Student Body President, I will be visible on campus, active in student affairs, and your voice during board meetings. <a href="http://www.beheardatcod.com">www.beheardatcod.com</a>	
Candidate for <b>President</b> Jessica Stechman Shade #5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dupage Convalescent Center- full time over the summer following 8<sup>th</sup> grade, on and off afterwards</li> <li>- Alice's Ranch (Mesa, AZ) – weekends and summer of freshman year</li> </ul>	I plan on creating a sense of community on campus. I will focus on encouraging students to become more involved and to adopt a sense of pride and ownership associated with COD. I am the best candidate for this position because I know how to work in groups, I can generate ideas and I know when to lead, when to follow.	
Candidate for <b>Vice-President</b> Billal Virani Shade #6		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chairperson of Service Committee in SLC</li> <li>- Operations Coordinator of Dupage Investment Group (Finance Club)</li> <li>- Active member of SLC</li> </ul>	As VP, I will be the students' voice. I promise you, the students, are heard in matters important to our school, while responsibly planning all projects to ensure economic efficiency and the benefit of the students. I would like COD not only to be an excellent institution for higher education, but also a center for social networking and community assistance. <a href="http://www.beheardatcod.com">www.beheardatcod.com</a>	
Candidate for <b>Vice-President</b> Casey Jones Shade #7		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Keeping our natural environment clean</li> <li>- Helping disadvantaged youth to be smart &amp; healthy</li> <li>- Participating in fundraising &amp; benefit events</li> <li>- Participant in Student Advocacy Day</li> </ul>	As VP, I will serve the College of DuPage students by working together with our students and faculty to create relationships that will open the doors to achieving excellence. I will continue to focus on lowering text book prices and tuition costs. I'm running because I care about our student body.	
Candidate for <b>Vice-President</b> Sijia Xu Shade #8		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Served as president in H.S. student union for 3 yrs while organizing events, activities &amp; shows</li> <li>- English broadcaster</li> <li>- Elected class leader of H.S. and previous college</li> <li>- Tutor &amp; Study Abroad counselor for Chinese students</li> <li>- Active member in church choir</li> </ul>	As VP, I will concentrate on working efficiently with all the SLC members, administrators and faculty. Let students' voices be heard, and make effective & valuable decisions and solutions to fulfill their needs and expectations. I will also encourage and motivate students to get involved, create a comfortable environment that we can work together actively and creatively.	