

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

Located in Second Floor of Gullo I (G-203)

Philosophy

Involvement is the key to your success at Evergreen Valley College! The Office of Student Life seeks to create a nurturing campus environment by enhancing your co-curricular experiences, which will increase your likelihood to succeed. This office plays an integral role in student retention by offering students a place to meet new people, gain leadership skills, and have fun. By serving as the hub of campus events and activities and collaborating with other campus departments, programs, and organizations, we meet the various needs of our diverse student population. Students should visit the Office of Student Life, to gain leadership skills, learn how to join the Associated Student Government, existing student organizations, create a student organization of their own, or access resources to support Basic Needs.

We encourage you to drop by the Office of Student Life which is located on the 2nd floor of the Gullo Student Center. Ask any Student Life staff member how to get involved, join the Associated Student Government, start a student club, join an e-game league, or just get campus information. Whether you wish to be a spectator, a participant, or a leader, we can assist you in your journey at EVC.

Student Activities

Student Activities are guided by the belief that college learning extends beyond the classroom. Leadership and co-curricular events and activities provide a "laboratory" for learning within a collaborative environment. Student activities augment classroom instruction by fostering unique and expanded educational and cultural experiences. These experiences prepare students for future civic and social responsibilities through community service, learning, and leadership development experiences. They also foster personal growth and facilitate interaction between students, faculty, and administrators from varied backgrounds in diverse settings through the organization of social and recreational activities.

Understanding that the definition of student activities includes co-curricular as well as social and cultural activities, a wide range of diverse activities is encouraged and sponsored by the students, faculty, and administration. Many student activities are supported by the Associated Students in cooperation with various campus organizations. Programs are funded through the \$5 per semester AS Activities/Membership fee.

How Can Students Get Involved in Student Life at EVC?

- Attend campus events and activities during the year such as:
 - Welcome Week
 - AS Club Rush (student club information/recruitment)
 - Support events during the year such as Latinx Heritage Month, Black History, Womyen's Herstory, Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Tet celebrations, and Cinco de Mayo festivities
- Join the Associated Students; participate in campus shared government
- Join a student organization or start your own
- Plan campus events and activities for students
- Attend a leadership development session
- Participate in an Intramural Sports Team or an e-Game Tournament Team.

Students interested in the many activities, organizations, and clubs available at EVC should contact the Office of Student Life located in G-203 or by phone at (408) 274-7900 ext. 6768.

Associated Students Government of Evergreen Valley College

The Associated Students Government of Evergreen Valley College (ASG), with offices located on the second floor of Gullo I (G-201), holds open meetings weekly to address issues that affect the entire student body, develops policies that impact and promote student life, and funds student-focused events and activities. Elections are held annually every spring semester, and officers serve for the following academic year. Appointments for various ASEVC positions occur throughout the academic year.

Students interested in Student Government opportunities and activities should contact the Director of Student Development & Activities in G-203, or phone (408) 274-7900 ext. 6768.

Basic Needs Initiatives

The Office of Student Life seeks to provide immediate assistance to students in need. This function is met through the following services:

EVC FRESH (Food, Resources, and Education to Stop Hunger) Pantry

The EVC FRESH Food Pantry addresses immediate food insecurity at EVC to reduce hunger as a roadblock to educational and personal achievement. Students can access both grab-and-go options food options and other food options that may require preparation. Students can also apply for CalFRESH at the Food Pantry by meeting with staffed CalFRESH representatives.

EVC Career Clothing and Hygiene Closet

The Pantry was established to provide immediate basic need items to EVC students. The pantry is maintained by the Associated Student Government as part of its annual budget. Items available include: clothing, blankets, backpacks, toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and much more!

Associated Student Government Emergency Funds

The Associated Student Government offers one-time Emergency Funding for Evergreen Valley College Students. Funding amounts range from \$50-\$500 based on student circumstances and can only be used for unexpected emergencies. Students must currently be registered in at least 6 credit units and have paid their Associated Student Government Activity Fee to be eligible. Applications can be picked up and submitted to the Director of Student Development & Activities inside of Gullo I-203.

Additional Office of Student Life Services

- Coordinating campus-wide (cultural, educational, recreational, and social) events & activities for students.
- Off-campus vendors and information tables.
- Approval for posting of flyers on campus.
- Meditation & Prayer Area (inside of Gullo I).

Maxient Reporting Forms/Community Concern Reporting Forms

SJECCD is committed to fostering a safe, positive learning and working environment where all students can pursue their career or educational goals and participate in college-sponsored activities. To this end, all students are provided protection and due process of their individual rights against unfair and improper action. Because the well being of all

students within our district community is a significant priority, the Office of Student Life serves as an advocate for student resources and rights.

The following forms can be used to report issues within our community to ensure the above commitment is met:

Title IX and Discrimination – This form should be used to report all complaints of discrimination including:

National Origin, Religion, Sexual Orientation, Ethnic Group Identification, Language/Accent Ancestry, Color, Marital Status, Disability (physical or mental), Race, Immigration Status, Gender Identity, Retaliation, Age, Veteran Status, or Medical condition.

Or incidents involving: Stalking, sexual misconduct, sexual exploitation, or sexual harassment/discrimination.

General Complaints and Student Grievance – This form should be used to report general complaints as well as student grievances regarding financial aid, course grades, or the exercise of rights of free expression/speech.

Student Support Referral Form – This form should be used to alert campus personnel to individuals who exhibit behaviors and/or warning signs that may indicate a person is experiencing difficulty and may need additional support and assistance.

The Gullo Student Center

Located in Gullo I

- Fresh and Natural Food Court (grill, pizza, deli sandwiches, hot entrees, espresso bar, salad bar, fresh fruit & pastries).
- The Campus Store (Bookstore) is proud to serve students, faculty, staff, and community. We carry all your course material needs, school supplies, logo products, backpacks, candy, and gifts. We are located upstairs in the Gullo Student Center. We are committed to keeping the cost of your course materials low by providing several purchase options including New, Used, Rental, and Digital.

You also have the option to sell back your textbooks with our buyback program. We buy back textbooks every day. However, we pay the highest dollar value during finals week – up to 50% of the price you paid. Even if we are overstocked or the book has not been requested for next term, we may still purchase it at the national market price.

Call:(408) 223-6765

E-mail: evc@bkstr.com

Website: <https://www.bkstr.com/evcstore/home/en>

- ATM Machine (Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union) is located on the lower level in the southeast corner of the cafeteria. ATM is for withdrawals only.
- Student Lounge (second floor) with charging stations for personal devices and two Big Screen TVs for viewing broadcast television, video gaming, and weekly karaoke competitions.
- Associated Student Government Office (G -204).
- Student Club Room (G-201)
- Office of Student Life (G-203).
- EVC FRESH Food Pantry (Near ATM Machines on First Floor)

- EVC Career Clothing and Hygiene Closet (G-106)
- EVC Parenting Room (near Cafeteria entrance)

Located in Gullo II

- Multi-purpose room
- Conference room
- Veteran's Center