

**UC Santa Cruz Graduate Student Association  
Officer Candidate Statements, Spring 2020**

Rebecca Ora/rora FDM - Running for External Vice President

I hope to be able to continue to support UCSC Graduate students, and to provide institutional memory and history that bolsters our platforms and those of allies. It is important to continue fighting for pay that enable students to live in one of the most expensive cities in the country, while centering the impacts of the university's decisions on undocumented, international, parenting students, students of color, those within a vast array of abilities, among others. I hope to continue holding statewide administrators and student representatives responsible for their actions/inaction toward our vulnerable campus, and to ensure that our unique situation is never overlooked.

Daniel Copulsky Psychology - Running for Vice President of Shared Governance

I currently serve on the Graduate Student Common governing board, GSC finance committee, and joint GSC/GSA GradLab committee. For two years I have also served as a board member for a 501c3 non-profit, the Center for Positive Sexuality. I am excited about encouraging my peers to join committees.

Isaac Karth Computational Media - Running for Treasurer

I want to continue to work towards a better university for graduate students. As Treasurer, that means streamlining the GSA budget and raising additional funds that can be dedicated to projects that directly affect graduate students. It also means continuing my project to work with previous treasurers to document the processes and make it easier for future GSA officers to navigate and overcome the university bureaucracy. I hope to place the GSA on a solid foundation for future graduate student projects that have at least as much impact as this year's efforts.

Jazmin Benton HAVC - Running for Solidarity Officer

As one of the few Black and queer graduate students at UCSC I am committed to building relationships with other marginalized people in our community. As Solidarity Officer I plan to continue the work I've done with COLA4ALL in supporting our diverse campus.