

# Proposed Event: Diversity in Politics Panel

## Event Overview

**Title:** Diversity in Politics

**Date & Time:** Friday, June 6th from 3-5PM

**Location:** De Anza College

**Format:** Live panel discussion + audience Q&A + networking

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## Purpose

Politics should reflect the people it serves—but too often, leadership lacks the diversity of the communities it represents.

**Highlight why diversity in politics matters**—how lived experiences and representation help shape more inclusive policies and empower communities that have historically been left out of decision-making spaces.

**Inspire students who are interested in civic engagement** by showing themselves reflected in public service and advocacy.

**Information for students of civic engagement opportunities** such as internships.

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## Program Schedule

3:00 PM – Arrival, Networking & Refreshments

3:30 PM – Welcome & Opening Remarks

3:40 PM – Panelist Introductions

3:50 PM – Moderated Panel Discussion

4:30 PM – Audience Q&A

4:50 PM – Closing Remarks & Call to Action

5:00 PM – Event Ends

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### **Possible Panelist Questions**

1. What inspired your journey into public service?
  2. What does “representation” mean to you in your role?
  3. What barriers did you face, and how did you navigate them?
  4. How does your background shape the way you lead or make decisions?
  5. What advice would you give to someone from an underrepresented background who wants to run for office or get involved in civic life?
  6. What gives you hope for the future of politics?
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### **Roles**

- Event Host
  - Moderator
  - Panelists
  - Volunteers
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## **Promotion**

- Flyers
  - Social media posts
  - Email outreach
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## **Accessibility Considerations**

- Wheelchair-accessible venue
  - ASL interpreter or captions
  - Multilingual translation (if needed)
  - Quiet room or sensory-friendly space
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## **Extras**

- Feedback form
- Follow-up email with resources & thank you
- Security