

Statement of Interest for Chair of C&R  
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This coming academic year will mark my third term on the Senate. During the last two terms, I have served on O&G, Professional Standards, the University Library Board, and as the Faculty-at-Large on the Senate Executive Committee. In these various capacities, I have been a part of important discussions on topics such as intellectual property and the RTP process. I am currently an Associate Professor concluding a second year as Chair of the Dept. of Humanities and my 9<sup>th</sup> year as Coordinator of the Creative Arts Program at SJSU—I am up for promotion to Full Professor and have had positive reviews at every level thus far.

My work on Senate has been tremendously rewarding to me personally and professionally and I would very much like to serve the University by taking on the leadership role of the Committee Chair of C&R. C&R is a particularly important committee as it is charged with developing an academic master plan and guarantees faculty input into policies that impact every level of what we do as scholars, educators, and artists. I have the organizational skills, the energy, and the passion to direct this important committee in its increasingly urgent scope of work.

As I've stated before, I care very deeply for San José State University—like many of our own students, I am the first person in my family to graduate from college. I would be very grateful for an opportunity to do more for the students, staff, and faculty at this institution and I believe my work on Senate partly provides such an opportunity.