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The reason I am nominating myself for CSU state-wide academic senate. Hello! I am a Professor in School of Engineering. I have served in the state-wide senate before (2017-2020). I thought I had a meaningful participation and was able to interact with the CSU administrators to draw their attention to the issues facing CSU. I chose not to seek another term because I thought I had said all I wanted to say. However, things have changed since I left. So, it seems appropriate that I should rejoin the state-wide senate. Main reason I think I should join the academic senate because we have a new Chancellor and several new developments have taken place which need attention. My main concern now is the intervention of politicians in the running of CSU academic affairs. Some of you must be aware of the recent legislation resulting from AB 1460 (Weber), AB 927(Medina) and AB 928(Berman). The legislations were passed in spite of the objection of the Chancellor and state-wide Academic Senate. It all has happened in rapid succession. These legislations restricts ability of CSU to decide on academic curriculum or make decision over our admission policy. Now that a trend has start there is no telling where this would stop. I have often heard our colleague' complaint that CSU is being treated like a step child by the State Government. It is felt that the State Legislators are sympathetic to UC system and the Community Colleges but not to CSU. As state-wide senator it would be my endeavor to put CSU perspective in front of the Trustees and Legislators. I was able to do so several times at Long Beach and once at Sacramento during my stint at CSUAC. If you agree with my statement above, please think of voting for me one more time. Also, if there are further issues you wish to bring to my knowledge please feel free to talk with me. Thank You! Respectfully submitted, Dipendra K. Sinha, Professor School of Engineering

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I am interested in the Academic Integrity Committee and Professional Development Council because these committees represent attributes of campus life I care about. I am an assistant professor and I'm excited about the opportunity to be more involved in university-level activities. Before joining SF State, I was an active member of department-level climate committees at other institutions. In those committees, I was most interested in the fair and equitable treatment of students and faculty in the department. I enjoyed working with my colleagues to solve challenges and improve professional advancement by removing barriers to make our department's programs more equitable. I believe my experience in these prior positions will give me a strong foundation to be a contributor to these committees despite only being an assistant professor. I also believe these committees will help me grow as a faculty member and I am interested in playing an active role in that process. I would only like to be on one of the two committees, but both are interesting and I would be happy with a position on either one.