

Candidate for the position of

Student Regent
University of Alaska
and

Student Commissioner
Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

Kali Spencer
University of Alaska Southeast

Spring 2021

Kali B. Spencer



EDUCATION

University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau, AK

Sophomore Cumulative GPA: 3.92

Bachelor of Liberal Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies

JOB EXPERIENCES/SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

UAS Student Body President

September 2020-Present

- Host events for the school
- Serve as a representative for the student body of UAS

Coalition of Student Leaders Representative

January 2020-Present

- Serve as a representative for the student body of UAS at the Coalition of Student Leaders

Juneau Rotary Club Member

March 2020-Present

- Organize community service projects
- Attend weekly meetings

UAS Student Body Vice President

January 2020-September 2020

- Host events for the school
- Serve as a representative for the student body of UAS

Student Alumni Association- Vice President

September 2019-May 2020

- Host events for the school
- Serve as a liaison between students and the university's alumni

Alaska Leadership Initiative Member

September 2019-May 2020

- Develop leadership skill and gain experience as a leader
- Serve the greater Juneau community through volunteer projects

Intern for Senator Lisa Murkowski

July-August 2019

- Serve in the Murkowski internship program in D.C.
- Host tours, write memos, write op-eds

National Student Council Member

January 2018-January 2019

- Serve as the representative for the State of Alaska in the National Student Council

Anchorage School District School Board - Student Representative

September 2016 - May 2018

- Serve one term under the current Student Representative to the ASD School Board
- Inherit position for the 2017-2018 school year
- Serve as a member of the ASD School Board

Eagle River HS Student Government- Student Body President

May 2018- May 2019

- Represent Eagle River High School
- Create class agendas and lead class
- Communicate between Class Officers, School Administration, and Class Advisors
- Serve on the executive board

Alaskan Association of Student Governments - President

January 2018-January 2019

- Manage the agendas and conferences of the Alaskan Association of Student Governments
- Serve on the executive board
- Lead monthly teleconferences

Eagle River HS Student Government- Student Body Vice President

May 2017- May 2018

- Represent Eagle River High School
- Create class agendas and lead class
- Communicate between Class Officers and Class Advisors
- Serve on the executive board

Alaskan Association of Student Governments - Treasurer

January 2017-January 2018

- Manage the finances of the Alaskan Association of Student Governments
- Serve on the executive board
- Attend monthly teleconference

Key Club Vice President

August 2016- January 2017

- Lead meetings and created agendas

- Participate in community service projects

Eagle River HS Student Government - Sophomore Class President

August 2016 - May 2017

- Represent Eagle River High School and the Sophomore Class
- Create agendas, chair all Class meetings, delegate tasks to Class Officers
- Communicate between Class Officers and Class Sponsors

Student Representative on the Anchorage School Board Superintendent Search Committee

August 2015 - May 2016

- Serve as a representative of the ASD Student Body throughout the selection process

Eagle River HS Student Government - Freshman Class Vice-President

August 2015 - May 2016

- Represent Eagle River High School and the Freshmen Class
- Co-chair all Class meetings
- Communicate between Class Officers and Class Sponsors

AWARDS

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| • UAS Chancellor's List | 2020-21 School year |
| • UAS Dean's List | 2019-20 School year |
| • National Education Association (NEA) Student of the Year | 2018-19 School year |
| • Placing at Drama, Debate and Forensics (DDF) Tournaments | Oct. 2015 - Dec. 2017 |
| • Academic & Athletic Letters in DDF/Student Government/Tennis | Aug. 2015 - Mar. 2018 |

University of Alaska Board of Regents
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December 10, 2020

Dear University of Alaska Board of Regents:

I am writing to recommend Kali Spencer for candidacy for the Student Regent or Student Commissioner Position. Kali currently attends the University of Alaska Southeast where I have the pleasure of advising her in her role as Student Body President of the Student Government of the University of Alaska Southeast – Juneau Campus (SGUAS-JC). I have advised Kali since January 2020, and previously taught her in my leadership course, the “Alaska Leadership Initiative,” starting in August 2019.

As the SGUAS-JC Student Body President, Kali has spearheaded the necessary Constitution and Bylaws review and re-write, working tirelessly to navigate the University bureaucracy. Kali’s unified the senate to more effectively and efficiently pass legislation on topics that impact the student body directly. Kali has been a part of Student Government since her freshman year in high school, totaling six years of experience. Kali is eloquent, skilled at leading large meetings with many constituents, convoluted topics, and many agenda items. Kali is a strong and capable leader.

Over the past year or so, I have been honored to get to know Kali’s character and charm. Kali is passionate about serving her community. In our Alaska Leadership course, she demonstrated her passion for serving by leading a canned food drive spanning across the city and orchestrating a Day of Service to give back to our city.

Based on our experiences together, I can confidently and most highly recommend Kali Spencer for either the Student Regent or Student Commissioner Position. Kali would competently serve her peers and provide strong, transparent leadership.

Sincerely,

Juliette Alldredge

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Leadership and Engagement Manager
Student Engagement & Leadership

Glenn Wright, Ph.D.



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February 16, 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

Please accept this, my strongest recommendation, for Kali Spencer to serve as University of Alaska Student Regent. I have had the pleasure of getting to know Kali as instructor, advisor, and through my role as faculty advisor to the University of Alaska Southeast Student Government. Kali is an exceptional student leader who would serve UA well as a representative of student interests and as a strong and articulate advocate for the university system.

As a student in our Liberal Arts program with a focus in Political Science, I first met Kali as in PS 102, "Introduction to Political Science" in Fall 2019. She also enrolled in my seminar in Fall 2020, "Special Topics: Political Corruption," and is enrolled in two of my courses this semester. Her grades speak for themselves: her strong writing and public speaking skills, work ethic, and critical thinking led to an A in both courses, notable since the second course was a challenging upper-division elective with difficult, technical readings and a substantial research assignment. She certainly places in the top percent of students I have instructed in my nearly 20 years as a higher education and secondary educator, and her excellent academic skills are not limited to Political Science; Kali's academic record is impeccable across the board. We're lucky to have her at UAS.

I also have enjoyed the opportunity to serve as Kali's faculty advisor and to interact with her as the faculty advisor to UAS' student government on which she has served for the last two years, currently as UAS student government president. Kali has shown herself to be an extraordinarily competent, well-spoken, effective advocate for student interests at UAS and likely the most capable student government president we have had since I began advising our student government nearly ten years ago. The university could find no better advocate for students and the University system overall.

Given her unusually strong qualifications and the difficult times we find ourselves in as a University, Kali would be a timely choice as student regent. Also of note: it has been many years since a UAS student has represented the University of Alaska student body on the board of regents, and perhaps the time has come for UAS students to serve the University of Alaska community in that way again.

Kali deserves and receives my strongest, unqualified recommendation.

Sincerely,

Glenn Daniel Wright