# Student-Parent Ambassadors

# Ambassador Photo



# About the Ambassador

Amilya Franzen Student-Parent Ambassador Alumna

"My name is Amilya Franzen and I am a graduating in Spring 2020 from Sacramento State with a major in Child Development and a minor in counseling. I am a single mother of a 7 year old daughter named Alani. What I would like to accomplish as a Student Parent Ambassador is to be able to advocate for resources to higher leaders here on campus.

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#### Nishay Gordon

Student-Parent Ambassador Alumna



"My name is Nishay Gordon. I started attending Sacramento State University in Spring of 2016 as a student-parent. I majored in Sociology and minored in Studio Art. My education at Sacramento State has given me a unique outlook on society and has prepared me for finding creative ways to help people toward better life outcomes. Also, with the help and encouragement from Haley Myers Dillon and the parents and families program at Sac State, I developed and launched my own business, which is an art program that I know run at Sacramento State along with a couple of other organizations to bring therapeutic art classes to children of all socioeconomic backgrounds. I am very thankful for the program and that is why I decided to become a a student-parent ambassador. I am excited about helping parenting students like me access resources and support they need to endure their success."

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#### Nikki Vice

Student-Parent Ambassador

"My name is Nikki Vice and I am an ambassador for Parents & Families Program at Sacramento State University. I am majoring in Social Work and I want to look into getting a minor in Child Development.

As a single mother nothing has come easy. I had my son in high school then jumped right into community college. I've always worked and gone to school to support my family. I work for El Dorado County Office of Education with extended day and I also work with children who have special services. Being an ambassador for this program and being a part of Sacramento State has helped me understand all the hard work I have put in being a single parent and a student. There are parents and families who need the support of others just like



themselves. We parents are not alone and as a student ambassador I want to help provide ideas on how we can do family activities and still go to school. Some of our children might not understand why we are always gone and working but we parents know we are doing it for our littles. My son pushes me to strive for my dreams and goals."

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# Mohammad Wafai

Student-Parent Ambassador

"My name is Mohammad and I am a business major undergraduate at Sacramento State. I have three kids ages 2, 4, and 7. I have four classes and also work part time on the weekends. I like to watch movies and write. My plan is to graduate within two years, find a job and start my MBA. Sacramento State's Parent and Families have supported and helped me with in many ways. As a student-parent ambassador, I encourage students who are transferring or planning to transfer that Sac State Parent and Families department is here to help."

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