

### Student Panel

#### **Tony Porter, Saint Martin's**

He and his twin sister are juniors at Saint Martin's University. Their younger sister is a sophomore there. All receive support from the State Need Grant. Tony works on campus as a resident assistant, an office assistant for the Office of Housing and Residence Life, and a maintenance technician. He also serves as president of the SMU Comic Book Club. Tony is focusing on marketing and has an interest in advertising in the tech sector as a career.

#### **Kristina Pogosian, Tacoma Community College**

After coming to Tacoma Community College as a Running Start student two years ago, Kristina Pogosian currently serves as the President of the Associated Students of Tacoma Community College and one of the Legislative Interns for the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. The daughter of Armenian immigrants and the oldest of three sisters, Kristina is an outgoing leader, passionate about her community, a quality she has demonstrated through facilitating cultural competency and leadership training programs, organizing civic engagement events, and taking legislative action through the Washington State Community and Technical College Student Association (WACTCSA) and the Washington Student Engagement Network (WA-SEN). Her academic journey has emphasized the power of utilizing her voice and organizing collective action for change.

#### **Mustapha Samateh, Edmonds Community College**

Mustapha Samateh is a 2nd year student at Edmonds Community College. Mustapha, currently serves as the Executive Officer for Administrative Liaison in the Associated Students (Student Government), and one of the Legislative Interns for the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. He is pursuing an Associate in Arts Degree and will be completing his degree in the spring of 2019. His plans include transferring to a 4 year university to complete his Bachelor's degree in Political Science; with an interest in Communications & International Relations. Originally from Gambia (West Africa), he moved to the US almost two years ago.

#### **Ana Karen Betancourt Macias, Washington State University (Vancouver)**

Anna is a 1st Generation student and is also a recipient of the State Need Grant. She is Majoring in Sociology and Minorng in History.

#### **Kelsey Hood, University of Washington (Seattle)**

Kelsey attended UW for her undergraduate degree and is now continuing her education at UW for a Master's in Public Administration.