



## **Statement on the RHA Election**

April 11, 2017

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) announced today the election of Dana Rodriguez and Tzvi Glazer as the RHA President and Vice President, respectively, for the 2017-2018 academic year. Rodriguez and Glazer succeed seniors Steven Chen and Sasha Galbreath, respectively, who will both graduate in May.

RHA serves as the governing body for those living on-campus. The organization serves to both advocate for priorities and policies that reflect resident needs and concerns, and build community within the residence halls. The organization consists of 15 independent hall and area councils as well as the legislative Senate. The Senate works collaboratively with five on-campus departments: Resident Life, Residential Facilities, Dining Services, Transportation Services, and the Office of Sustainability.

Rodriguez has served as the organization's Student Groups and Organizations Liaison for the current academic year. The junior Finance and Government and Politics double major has played a key role in developing RHA's collaborative advocacy efforts with SGA, GSG, and MaryPIRG. In the past year, Rodriguez has jumpstarted a textbook affordability initiative and fostered greater civic engagement around campus. Current RHA President Steven Chen states, "Dana's immense advocacy and programming experience will serve the organization well and help RHA advocate and achieve its strategic objectives."

Glazer has served as a Senator-at-Large for the current year and as a North Hill Area Council senator in previous years. The junior Government and Politics and Sociology double major has had immense experience on the RHA Senate and has served on both the Residential Facilities Advisory Board and Transportation Advisory Committee. "Tzvi has impressed everyone he has come into contact with in his tenacity and eagerness to represent the campus and lobby on their behalf," says current Vice President Sasha Galbreath. "I am excited to see how he applies and amplifies that vision through the RHA Senate."

Rodriguez and Glazer will assume their position on May 2, 2017.