Candidate questionnaire for
San Francisco City College Board of Trustees
General Election, November 3, 2015

Please return this questionnaire electronically to contact_us@phdemclub.org **no later than Thursday, July 30th** . Candidates who do not return the questionnaire by the due date will not be invited to participate in the August 4th forum. Questionnaires will be made available to our members online.

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Please write a brief response (≤200 words) to each question.

1. Please describe your qualifications for this office.
   a. I believe that technical aptitude is the entryway to a career, especially in San Francisco. I graduated from Berkeley and couldn't find a job for over a year. At one point, I just decided to learn to code, I pushed myself for three months, (yes, I was scraping pretty hard for a bit) and now I design servers at Interpublic. The reason I am running is because learning to code was what gave me a life that I really enjoy.

2. What are the top three issues facing CCSF, and what will you do about those issues?
   a. The top issues are classes not teaching the skills needed for employment, inadequate financial accounting, and lack of quality teaching talent. Solution: Focus on coding, build partnerships with businesses who needs coding talent (big 4 tech), and pay teachers better.

3. What specifically do you propose to enable City College to remain accredited?
   a. Start teaching skills that are relevant to building a career.

4. What will you bring to the table that's not already there?
   a. Someone who used education to build himself a career. I am also 23, and I represent the younger generation of our city. I'm a techie, a nerdy Asian kid from

Novato.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to public service. We look forward to seeing you at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on August 4th.

Executive Committee, Potrero Hill democratic Club