## International Student Support Program Jinhee Hwang Submitted by Carola Smith

Jinhee Hwang, an international student from South Korea, has been attending SBCC since the spring of 2020 as a Graphic Design and Photography major. Throughout her studies at SBCC, she has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA while being actively engaged with the campus community. For the past year, Jinhee has been serving as a volunteer coordinating the Language Exchange Program. She has elevated the program to be more student-centered by assigning students to small language exchange groups and by creating weekly newsletters to provide topics of conversation and guided language learning. Additionally, she implemented an online interactive platform for participants to engage with each other through voice messages, writing posts, and virtual events. Jinhee has been a wonderful asset to the International Student Support Program and she is a role model to her peers!

## Jinhee's Words of Gratitude

It's an honor to receive the Outstanding International Student of the Year Award! I'm so grateful to be acknowledged by SBCC and our International Student Support Program. I want to thank Shelby, Rosemary, Jennifer, and Nicole for providing me with wonderful opportunities in the school, and supporting my academic and professional endeavors. They put their faith in me, and gave me the push and guidance I needed! A little over a year ago, higher education seemed far out of reach for me, and even when I began my education here, I wondered how far I could go. This award reminds me that I have potential and reinvigorates me to keep working towards my dreams!