My name is Jillian Scannell (Pronouns: She/Her) and I am currently a First-year Environmental Studies major in the Rubenstein School of the Environment and Natural Resources. I hope to use my leadership skills and outgoing personality to serve the student body well as a Student Government Association Senator.

In the past I have held many leadership positions during High School, including Class President, National Honor Society Officer, and President of an environmental club Think Globally Act Locally. During my first year at UVM I have been an active member on campus. Since being here, my most important leadership role has been my place on the steering committee for UVM Stands, a new group on campus that works to give students a platform to make their voices heard in regards to the Environment and Social Justice. Being a part of this group has been my proudest accomplishment at UVM thus far.

If elected, I would be happy to serve on any of the committees to help expand upon SGA’s current initiatives. With a passion for the environment, I hope to use my skills to enhance SGA’s sustainability initiatives on campus such as the Real Food Challenge and divesting UVM from fossil fuels. I believe that UVM tries to focus on diversity and inclusion, but I would like to see SGA increase its role in promoting intersectionality. One way to do this could be by hosting an intersectionality week where different groups on and off campus could join together.

Throughout my first year at UVM I heard very little about what was going on in SGA and I was not sure who was representing me there. If elected I will make myself available to talk with my peers about their questions, concerns, and ideas, in order to improve communications between the SGA and the student body.

I would be honored to serve you all as your SGA Senator.