I am running for SGA because I believe that my eagerness to listen to other people’s opinions and ability to thrive in a team environment is perfect for representing all of the different views and students of UVM. I am a great listener and go out of my way to try to understand the perspectives and ideas of others. I would be a great representative because I want to continually talk to students about what they love about UVM and also what they want to improve. I want to start a conversation with the student body, to bring everyone’s ideas, thoughts, and criticisms together in order to benefit the campus as a whole.

If given the opportunity, I think I would succeed in this position because of my past involvement in student government in high school. I am committed and passionate about upholding the qualities that make a school great, and also figuring out what can be done to make students happier. In addition, my experience on sports teams and being involved in a VT Gubernatorial campaign taught me how to work towards a common goal, support one another, and keep an open mind.

While I love UVM, I am motivated by the things that I wish to change. One of my main policies I would carry out if elected, is to start running the off-campus bus earlier. If the off-campus bus was running earlier, then students could go downtown between classes, run errands, or go out to lunch. It is also beneficial to the students living off campus, as the bus would drop them off closer to home. I also think that course registration could be made easier by requiring professors to upload a copy of the class syllabus before students register for classes. If the syllabus was uploaded before registration, students could get a better picture of what the course material is like, the teacher expectations, the grading and teaching methods, textbooks, and amount of assignments. This could help students find classes better suited for their interests. I’m not going to pretend like I know what every single extracurricular or club needs, but I want to implement a program where SGA representatives go to some of the club meetings and “spend a day in their shoes”, to find out what clubs need and how SGA can help.