Shabnam Saini for Senator

University of Vermont

My name is Shabnam Saini, I'm a first-year Political Science and Economics major on the pre-law track, and I am running for a Senatorial position in the Student Government Association. I want to ensure that every student at UVM feels heard, supported, and empowered to be part of our community. Though new to UVM, I believe that I bring a strong foundation in leadership and advocacy.

- As Youth Governor for the YMCA's Youth & Government program, I represented student voices at the state level and advanced initiatives to strengthen civic engagement.
- As President of NHS, I worked to expand service opportunities that connected students with their communities.
- Competing at the state and nationwide levels for debate has taught me how to listen deeply and build consensus across differences
- My experience as Legislative Coordinator for the Vermont Student Anti-Racism Network (VSARN) allowed me to collaborate with VT lawmakers on equity-driven policy.

With a passion for law, government, and community engagement, I'm committed to making student voices heard and creating meaningful change at UVM and beyond. That commitment drives how I hope to serve here: by using my experiences to be a bridge between students and the administration—focusing on transparency, accessibility, and collaboration. I would be honored to serve as your senator and welcome your questions, comments, and ideas for making UVM a stronger community.

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