

My name is Kate Huntress (she/her) and I'm a sophomore in Grossman pursuing a marketing concentration and global business theme, with a minor in applied design. I'm from Rochester, NY and I love hiking, surfing, photography, and dogs (I work at an animal shelter). On campus, I'm involved in Women in Business and Animal Rescue club.

The main reason that I decided to run for SGA Senate is because I believe that this is the gateway to ultimately creating a change within the UVM community. I aim to participate in SGA Senate to be a part of a group of passionate people that believe in fostering change in our community. My ultimate goal is to increase overall transparency between the SGA and the student body through increased PR communications and engagement, to inform the student body of all the great initiatives SGA is working on. In addition, I hope to assist the local Burlington society in keeping Burlington beautiful through organized cleanups, as well as increase outreach and initiatives to better the relationship between UVM students and community members.

I am a strong, independent leader as well as a team player. I have a variety of experiences through work and school that have put me in situations where I had to work with people that hold different beliefs than I do. I have used these experiences to gain expertise in areas such as open communication and strong organization. I have learned to manage time as well as rank priorities, and when I put my mind to something, it gets done. My experiences with work, school, and extra curriculars have prepared me to be a part of the Senate because I am comfortable connecting with and working with new people, I have great time management skills, and ultimately, I am able to accomplish the goals I set for myself.

Overall, my main goals for becoming a part of SGA senate are increasing transparency and helping the Burlington community. I believe that by including more of the student body in SGA's decision making, it will ultimately improve the student experience by working towards initiatives that **you** want. Overall, I plan to leverage my experience and communication skills to help enact change within the UVM and greater Burlington communities.

Feel free to check out my Instagram @katehuntress for more info / reach out with any questions!