UVM Community:

To begin, I sincerely hope that wherever you are in this time of uncertainty, you are safe & healthy.

My name is Izzy (Isabel) Coppola and I am running for my second term as a Senator on the Student Government Association. Here are some things to know about me:

❖ I am double majoring in Political Science & Environmental Studies, & am in the process of writing a thesis on ecological-anxiety among young people.
❖ I grew up in Keene, NH with my sister & parents.
❖ Outside of school and SGA, I enjoy yoga, hiking in the green & white mountains, and cooking & baking for my friends and family.
❖ I am currently serving on SGA’s Committee on the Environment (COE), a position I have held since the fall of 2019. Since joining COE, I have been hard at work on a variety of projects & initiatives including:
  ➢ Managing COE’s Sustainability Fund to provide supplemental funding for UVM clubs to make their events more sustainable
  ➢ Restructuring & updating COE’s Environmental Clubs Organization’s (ECO) to increase productively, collaboration & community among UVM’s environmentally related clubs
➢ Working to increase access to & transparency of UVM environmental & sustainability information including carbon emissions to energy efficiency to student research

➢ Serving on the Sustainability Curriculum Review Committee

If I am elected to a second term I hope to continue & expand upon my work by:

❖ Continuing to increase access to & transparency of UVM environmental information by working with students, clubs, administrators, faculty & staff to identify a) what people want & need to know; b) what information is missing; & c) how to make that information available

❖ Working to elevate student voices by listening & responding to what students need from SGA & COE through increased collaboration & fluid communication

❖ Supporting & advocating for divestment at UVM by working with UVM clubs & administrators to take necessary actions

❖ Holding UVM responsible for its commitment to sustainability by, among other actions, highlighting the shortcomings of the Climate Action Plan & working with students to propose changes & outline steps forward

❖ Supporting the effort to restructure the Clean Energy Fund to be more inclusive in order to enable more students to propose ideas

Thank you, I would very much appreciate your vote on April 8th & 9th! If you have any questions, comments, and ideas or just need someone to talk to please reach me at icoppola@uvm.edu.