



MAHNOOR RIZVI

Candidate for Vice President Academic

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My name is Mahnoor Rizvi, and I am a first-year Business student with hopes to major in Finance in the Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary. I am excited to take on the role of Vice President Academic for Haskayne Students' Association (HSA). I am so grateful to have learned so much through the many different clubs and initiatives I have been a part of during my time at the university. Throughout my time at university, I was able to participate in wonderful opportunities and experiences to meet and work alongside numerous individuals while gaining extensive knowledge that has significantly helped me improve my skills and abilities.

I started my journey as a mentee in the Haskayne First-Year Mentorship Program, in which I was able to learn more about Haskayne and all the opportunities that were available to students. I was able to become an Academic Director in HSA where I helped my team organize and coordinate events for students pursuing business. I was also able to become a member on the executive committee for Haskayne's Business Technology Club as a Director of Events and I partook in the University of Calgary Consulting Association as a Project Member. I am so incredibly grateful for the wonderful opportunities that I have been provided with. I strongly believe that if it had not been for all the dedicated and devoted students in these roles prior to my involvement, students would not have the same experiences we are so fortunate to have today.

I am incredibly eager to give back to the Haskayne community and I promise that I will strive to provide students with phenomenal opportunities. I believe that it is crucial for students to be given the opportunities in which they can learn, grow, and connect with others in their daily lives. As the late CEO of Apple, Steve Jobs, eloquently put, "learn continually, there's always *one more thing* to learn." I hope to introduce events for all students where they can get involved in the community, meet other students and professionals and work towards gaining the skills and experiences that they desire. Specifically, I would like to help students with improving their communication skills that have been significantly impacted due to the ongoing pandemic and restrictions, which will allow students to converse with one another and create a community of friends that can rely on each other. I believe that powerful communication is one of the most essential skills that a student can possess and I would like to implement numerous events in which students will be given the opportunity to build on these skills.

I look forward to working alongside like-minded individuals, helping them to learn and grow, while doing the same. I am committed to building relationships and adding value to Haskayne Students' Association through my potential duration as the Vice President of Academic.