Name: Casey Rickles

**Year:** 01

Major: Political Science

## **Qualifications:**

Freshman Senator SGA Freshman Forum SGA Lobby Board Social Sorority

War Eagle! I am Casey Rickles, and I am ecstatic to have the opportunity to run on the ticket "Tichenor, I Hardly Know Her" for the College of Liberal Arts!

I am a firm believer that every person has a skill set that allows them to make the change they wish to see in the world. For me, my combined propensity for diversity, along with my fervor for leadership, calls me to run as a senator for the College of Liberal Arts in order to make a tangible difference.

When I graduate Auburn, I want to have knowledge that goes way beyond the understanding of simply an education. I am fully committed to my duty as a citizen of the world, and Student Senate will immerse me into this life before I graduate.

If I am elected there are three main goals that I would like to accomplish. First, I would push for greater communication and representation between senators and their constituents. I currently serve as a freshman senator, and one of the main things I have noticed in our meetings is that there can often be a disconnect between the people and their representation. I will do my absolute best to ensure that each and every student is heard and represented regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, and all the more. You will be heard, and you will be represented.

Secondly, I am a major advocate for increasing unity between all majors in the College of Liberal Arts. I fully believe that every student that graduates Auburn University should not only have knowledge of their own major, but they should be fully understanding of how their major pertains to other fields so that our society works smoothly and efficiently. I would encourage legislation that speaks to every major in the College of Liberal Arts and be a representative of ensuring that each individual makes the necessary connections to others in fields related to theirs.

Lastly, I would passionately champion the progress of Auburn University as a whole. The world is changing, and we must keep up. Currently, I am helping write legislation for a diversity and inclusion statement to be put in syllabi in order to ensure a more inclusive environment for Auburn students. We need more inclusion. We need a greater focus on the arts. We need to make sure that the voices of students like you are heard, and that all religious and political beliefs are shared and understood.

When we graduate Auburn, we need to have been introduced to knowledge that goes way beyond what is taught to us in the classroom. Understanding others is part of student life, and it is essential to learning more about others as we live and contribute to this crazy, beautiful world.

I am fully committed to my duty as a citizen of the world and serving as your student senator for the College of Liberal Arts would be an immense honor.