Name: MaryLogan Sefton Year: 03 Major: Nursing

Qualifications: Camp War Eagle Counselor AUSON Wellness Committee The Big Event Project Coordinator

Platform:

As Senator of the School of Nursing I would emphasize bridging the gap between pre nursing students and upper-level students by trying to solve a problem that seems to be common among both groups. Students in our college often times hesitate to get involved with campus organizations both within the AUSON and beyond because of the perception nursing students should solely focus on academics. While the academics rigors of nursing school are quite challenging it is also important as students to shape ourselves into well rounded individuals. A key part of healthcare after graduation is interpersonal skills with a diverse population and being involved around campus allows for students to have diverse experiences to equip them for life after being a student at Auburn University. Additionally, a reprieve from class and studies would help improve our student's mental health. I would institute initiatives to help nursing students successfully balance academics and student engagement in campus organizations both within the AUSON and campus as a whole. These initiatives might include having organizations come to the school of nursing to promote themselves. Because of the location of the school, many students do not have a chance to walk down the concourse during the week and can easily miss organizations involvement opportunities. Another practical tool that I believe would help both nursing students as well as Auburn students in general would be to work with organizations to place an accurate time expectation on their application so students can choose if they have enough time for that organization instead of assuming they would not. As a nursing student who has remained involved in several different campus organizations, I know that it can be done and how much it can enrich the Auburn experience for my fellow students. It is my hope that if elected to the SGA Senate I would be able to make an impact on the AUSON and its students in the area of campus involvement.