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Year: 03

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Qualifications:

Auburn Student Recruiter

Sorority Vice President of Member Education

SGA Cabinet, Director of Organizational Seating Program

Multiple Sclerosis Fundraising Team Captain

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I have recently reflected on the gift that is to love and be loved by Auburn University. As a candidate for Miss Auburn, I have the privilege to focus on both emotional and handicapped accessibility on campus. By spreading awareness and enacting change, my goal is for each member of the Auburn Family to have equal access to the services and resources that Auburn provides. This platform is inspired by my passion for the Auburn Family and as a result, the human touch.

It was evident to me that my line of the creed would center around the human touch, as community is what I prioritized while going through the college search. Best encompassing what I love so much about Auburn, this line states that "I believe in the human touch, which cultivates sympathy for my fellow men and mutual helpfulness and brings happiness for all." While we all strive for sympathy, helpfulness, and happiness, we could not achieve such things without the pillar words of 'fellow,' 'mutual,' and 'all.' By focusing on the sense of community that the *human touch* cultivates, the goal of my platform is to give students with any type of disability the confidence to find resources around campus and the confidence in their own Auburn story. By looking at *every* Auburn student and their needs, we can empower our community to fully step into their role as a member of the Auburn Family.

Regarding emotional accessibility, I want to focus on continued mental health initiatives, mentorship programs, & promoting vulnerable conversation. While we were ranked #1 happiest students in the country in 2019, college can bring hardship and mental health struggles. Unfortunately, the Auburn Family is no exception to that. Through accessibility to the resources they need and continuing conversations surrounding vulnerability and sincerity, the goal is that students would feel comfort in knowing they are not alone.

My personal connection with handicapped accessibility has driven me to my passion for providing resources for students with physical disabilities. While highlighting the Office of Accessibility, I hope that my platform can encourage students to celebrate each other's differences and provide a tangible change towards accessibility on Auburn's campus. Among these tangible changes would include greater access to hearing technologies and handicapped infrastructure. Everyone deserves an equal chance at the amazing education we have access to here at Auburn. I believe no physical disability should prevent any Auburn student from experiencing their full potential and highest quality of life.

Through my platform of emotional and physical accessibility, I hope to make each student aware of the resources provided to them. Accompanying accessibility, knowledge, *the human touch*, my hope is that each member of the Auburn Family is empowered by the community we have built and the opportunities we are surrounded by. I look forward to sharing my heart for Auburn with you all.

All my best,



Anne Earthman