

**Name:** Olivia Baljet

**Year:** 03

**Major:** Finance

**Slogan:** Beyond with Baljet

**Qualifications:**

War Eagle Girls and Plainsmen

Financial Management Association

Panhellenic Sorority Director of Funds

Omicron Delta Kappa Honors Society

University Provost's Office Student Worker

**Platform:**

As a Miss Auburn candidate my platform focuses on the creed stanza "I believe in the human touch, which cultivates sympathy with my fellow men and mutual helpfulness and brings happiness for all." Auburn has so much to offer beyond the classroom with many chances to grow through the different organizations and activities available to us. Coming to Auburn my freshman year I remember feeling overwhelmed by all the different opportunities on campus and getting involved seemed intimidating. I was fortunate to meet older students early on who guided me throughout my freshmen and sophomore years and encouraged me get involved in several areas of campus. This mentorship has made all the difference in my time at Auburn because of experiences I would not have without these upperclassmen who took an active interest in offering me advice and support.

Our time at Auburn is short and everything we do here can have a great impact on our experience here and path forward. However, for many new students, it can be challenging to meet upperclassmen and learn about everything available to them both within the University and the Auburn community. Mentorship is something that every student at Auburn can participate in and benefit from. Forming relationships with older students who can offer guidance makes getting involved less overwhelming as a new student and creates valuable connections with students in other areas of interest. This beneficial cycle continues as people who have experienced the value of mentorship give back by providing the same help as they become upperclassman. Learning the value of mentorship will also benefit us after our time on campus as we seek people to guide us in our careers, faith, families, and life.

In the role of Miss Auburn, I would work to create a space or platform for underclassmen to form these connections with other students who are involved in areas of campus they are interested in. My hope is to increase the knowledge and accessibility of all different organizations at Auburn and have students from all over the University benefit from them the way I have. Mutual helpfulness is a core value of the Auburn family and I see mentorship as an

essential part of how we show this. By living this value of the creed in our relationships, I believe that every member of the student body can support each other in reaching “beyond” what is possible on our own.

I am so grateful for every member of the Auburn community who has served as a mentor in my life and shaped me into the person I am today. I could not be more honored to have this opportunity to promote something that has had such a meaningful impact on my time at this University. I look forward to sharing more about my platform and love for Auburn over the next week!

War Eagle,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Olivia Baljet". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Olivia" and last name "Baljet" clearly distinguishable.

Olivia Baljet