

Name: Anna Zyriek

Year: 03

Major: Exercise Science

Qualifications:

College of Education Senator

College of Education Ambassador

Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Club Member

Kinesiology Student Leader

Elections Council

Platform: My name is Anna Zyriek, and I am running for Senate for the College of Education. My Auburn experience would not be the same without the College of Education and more specifically the School of Kinesiology. The support of the faculty, staff, and fellow students has allowed me to achieve great success while at Auburn University. I am passionate about creating a better experience for others in the College of Education and I believe I can do just that if I were elected as Senator. One of my initiatives, if elected, would be to honor the success of those who achieve Dean's List honors in the College of Education. My goal is that students who achieve this will receive a certificate in the mail, allowing those who achieve this honor to be recognized more officially for their hard work. This will hopefully lead to more appreciation for the College of Education and Auburn University.

Above all, All in with Education is dedicated to supporting the College of Education by uniting students and alumni and promoting fresh concepts within the college programs. Increasing awareness of campus events, student clubs, and academic resources that the College of Education provides to its students is the first pillar of our campaign. A student who becomes engaged early and knows the various resources for success will not only remain in that college but will find success there as well. This involvement can also take many different forms because the College of Education is home to numerous clubs full of distinctive opportunities.

Increasing the College of Education's social media presence is the first step toward resolving this problem. Social media notifications have a greater impact on students than email. Furthermore, as they will be the largest group represented in the college and have not yet joined many other organizations, we especially want to target the incoming freshmen with this information. We think that if we close the gap between students and alumni, there will be a greater chance for success for the staff, teachers, and students there. Having relationships with other college students is essential to success since they are the people who can offer the greatest guidance and support whether it comes to academic or career challenges. We believe that more opportunities for students to develop relationships like these should be provided by the College of Education. We believe that peer mentoring and relationships between students and faculty will increase success and involvement within the college. Greater possibilities for involvement would also aid in closing the gap between upperclassmen and underclassmen. We shall also seek to strengthen ties between students and college alumni. Alumni would have the chance to maintain a closer personal connection to the university, while undergraduate students would have improved access to seasoned experts in the disciplines they are studying. Maintaining these connections will encourage achievement and increase student involvement at the college.

Name: Sophie Marino

Year: 02

Major: Exercise Science, Pre-Physical Therapy

Qualifications:

SGA College of Sciences and Mathematics Senator

SGA Code of Laws Committee

Auburn University Provost COSAM Administrative Review Committee

Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Club Member

Lambda Sigma Honor Society

Platform: My name is Sophie Marino, and I am campaigning to serve as one of the College of Education's Senate Representatives. While I have only recently entered the College of Education, I could not be more excited to continue my journey at Auburn in the School of Kinesiology. My passion for promoting various involvement opportunities began during high school and carried over into my freshman year while I was serving as a Senator for the College of Sciences and Mathematics. Through this position, I have been able to see a global picture of the interconnection between the various colleges at Auburn. My personal volunteer and job shadowing opportunities led me down a path which helped me realize that my focus lies in the School of Kinesiology and the inaugural Doctor of Physical Therapy program, rather than in COSAM. I am extremely passionate about helping students discover their journey here at Auburn which led me to volunteer in various STEM programs for elementary and high schools. I am excited to utilize what I learned as a COSAM Senator to help market the upcoming Doctor of Physical Therapy graduate program to both current Auburn students as well as incoming freshman and transfer students. Raising the interest of potential pre-physical therapy students could translate into increasing the number of undergraduate students in the College of Education as a whole. This will not only increase enrollment but could also result in a change in the number of Senators allocated to represent the College of Education, thereby providing a stronger voice for this group of students with regard to campus issues. I am excited to utilize the connections that I made as a COSAM Senator to help facilitate joint ventures between colleges, where appropriate, such as science teacher training, volunteering for on-campus academic competitions as well as on-campus educational programs etc.

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