

Name: Mia Deason

Year: 02

Major: Genetics (Pre-Medicine)

Qualifications:

Former Vice President of COSAM Student Council

Former Member of Freshman Forum

Former Senate Mentee (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee)

Association of Women in Science Member

Participant of a COSAM Administrative Review Committee

Name: Zoe Tehranchian

Year: 03

Major: Biomedical Sciences (Pre-Medicine)

Qualifications:

Event Coordinator for COSAM Student Council

Office of Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity STRIPES Member

Former BIG Event Operations Committee Member

Platform

We are confident in our ability to effectively serve the College of Science and Mathematics, drawing on our extensive leadership experience and a shared commitment to purposefully improve college resources. Our roles in the Student Government Association and Executive Student Council have afforded us insights into the behind-the-scenes workings, reinforcing our understanding of the considerable effort required to be impactful leaders. This past year we hosted concourse events and even raised over \$1000 for Mercy Medical in philanthropic efforts. However, we have bigger plans. Internalizing the principle that you should never stop working to make things better than they were the day before, our envisioned objectives for these positions revolve around empowering COSAM students, raising awareness about health challenges stemming from the intense competition within the college, and adapting advocacy strategies to ensure comprehensive support for academic, physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Given the inherent stress in pursuing a major within the College of Sciences and Mathematics, we advocate for increased transparency. It is imperative to openly acknowledge the difficulties of college life and demanding majors. Our focus is on advocating for personalized advising and guidance, fostering a sense of community, and promoting openness about the challenges students face. We aspire to create a community that counters isolation by organizing events where COSAM students can build connections and relationships. Loneliness should not be synonymous with the college experience. Additionally, we emphasize the importance of connections within COSAM, with a special emphasis on highlighting AUIInvolve as a vital resource. Our goal is for

students to feel not only academically and socially connected but also mentally supported through improved access to counseling and psychological services. Recognizing the unique pressures faced by science and math majors, we believe in the power of vulnerability. We desire to be a supportive presence for every student. If entrusted with the roles of President and Vice President, we would be honored to contribute to transforming COSAM into the most uplifting community for every student.