

Amisha Grewal  
Candidate for VP Academic

### **My VP campaign:**

By Running for VP Academic, I would like to create a vibrant, supportive and innovative community that pursues student success in a well-informed academic setting by enhancing educational opportunities through events, such as a student feedback loop that integrates regular feedback mechanisms that can be used to focus on EDI, flexible and enhancing student resources. Furthermore, I would like to use student engagement to voice their voices to the faculty council, EDI committee and Teaching and Learning Committee in order to push for change and commence a healthy studentship. I intend to establish peer mentorship programs establishing a robust peer mentorship program will be a priority, offering students guidance, support, and the opportunity to build meaningful connections within the arts community. Furthermore, I will advocate for increased access to academic advising and resources, ensuring students have the tools they need to succeed. This includes securing software, research materials, and enhanced library services tailored to the needs of arts students.

Furthermore, I would like to use my position as VP Academic to secure mental health, writing, research and resource workshops and events. I intend to capitalize on the flexibility of this role to introduce workshops, events, and meetings that cater to the varied interests of arts students, focusing on areas such as digital literacy and career exploration. Serving on the Faculty Council and the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Committee, I will advocate for a curriculum that embraces diverse perspectives and prepares students for global challenges. While enhancing Central to my campaign is the commitment to the Arts Undergraduate Research Symposium (AURS), recognizing its significance and the intensive preparation it requires. I plan to streamline the AURS organization process, engage with volunteers, and forge partnerships for support and funding, ensuring its sustainability. As a candidate for Vice President Academic of the Faculty of Arts Student Association, my mission is rooted in the core values of collaboration, innovation, and inclusivity.

With the understanding that the role is both challenging and rewarding, my platform is designed to enhance the academic environment, ensuring it is responsive, engaging, and supportive of every student's needs. I would also like to recognize the critical need for sustained funding for AURS; I will prioritize this in my discussions with the university administration and faculty and collaborate with the FASA presidency, ensuring the continuation of this vital academic showcase. The central goal of my campaign as FASA VP Academic is to engage, encourage and open doors for students so they can have the best experience in their undergraduate degree. Furthermore, I would like to utilize the resources that universities provide students that many may not know about and collaborate with those resources to endorse a comfortable academic environment. It is of the utmost importance for me to maintain that I am encouraging my peers while establishing a fund and inclusive space! For this purpose, I will use my social media and peers and contact professors and students to engage in the events, meetings and goals I strive to reach during my term as VP Academic.

**Details of my social media campaign:** I will utilize my personal Instagram account in order to promote my candidacy and campaign as well as highlight my main strategies.