

Hi, I'm Bailey Moriarity, a third-year Psychology student at UVic pursuing a minor in Applied Ethics. I'm running for Senate because I believe academic decision-making should reflect the full diversity of the student body, not just those who are already highly engaged or well-versed in university governance.

Under the University Act, the Senate plays a central role in shaping students' academic experiences: from courses and programs to admissions, awards, appeals, and the granting of degrees. These decisions affect every student, yet many never hear about them until a policy change directly impacts their studies. I want to help close that gap.

If elected, my priorities are representation, accessibility, and clarity.

First, I am committed to representing all students: commuters and residents, full-time and part-time students, those balancing work or caregiving, and those who may not see themselves as "politically active." Senate should be informed by a wide range of lived experiences, and I will actively seek out perspectives that are often missing from formal governance spaces.

Second, I will advocate for clear, accessible communication around academic policies and decisions. Students deserve to understand how and why decisions are made, what changes mean for them, and where to find reliable information without needing insider knowledge or excessive time to decode it. Plain-language summaries and transparent updates matter.

Finally, I will be an engaged and accountable representative: listening to student concerns, bringing them forward in Senate and committee work, and sharing updates back with the broader student body in ways that are easy to access and understand.

Senate works best when all students can see themselves in it. I would be honoured to represent you.