

SHREYA PATNAIK

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**Vice-President Finance
and Administration Candidate**





Hello everyone, my name is Shreya Patnaik, and I am a third-year Economics student. Serving as your Vice-President Internal has been one of the most meaningful and transformative experiences of my university life.

Over the past year, I have had the privilege of overseeing all Student Associations, ensuring that our bylaws and regulations are upheld, and managing essential student services such as the health and dental plan. But beyond the responsibilities and titles, what has mattered most to me are the people behind them. This year, I worked hard to ensure that Student Associations felt supported, heard, and valued. Whenever concerns or complaints arose, I made it a priority to address them immediately and thoughtfully. I collaborated with various SAs to identify operational areas that needed improvement and helped create action plans to strengthen their services. I am also proud that this year we were able to increase SA funding, ensuring that associations had greater financial support to expand their initiatives and better serve students. To improve awareness of student services, I initiated the Health and Dental Plan Working Group to ensure students better understood their benefits through social media outreach and improved front-desk communication. I also made policy changes more transparent by creating Instagram reels explaining not only what decisions were made, but how we arrived at them. I believe governance should never feel distant — students deserve clarity and openness. To recognize the immense dedication of our student leaders, I am hosting the first-ever SA Gala to celebrate their hard work and contributions to campus life. My leadership journey began in high school, where I served as Vice Head Girl and Head Girl, chaired the annual event “UNWIND” by securing sponsorships from businesses, contributed to the Hundred Libraries Project supporting underprivileged children, and served as Secretary General of Model United Nations. At university, I also worked as a Student At Large in the Campaigns Committee, strengthening student engagement and outreach. Through serving as VP Internal, I have come to understand how budgeting shapes the entire student experience — from services and events to long-term campus growth. Budgeting is not just about numbers; it is about responsibility, fairness, and trust. That is why I am now running for Vice-President Finance — to ensure transparent financial communication, thoughtful allocation of student fees, and decisions that genuinely benefit the broader student body.

This role has never been just a position to me — it has been a responsibility I carry with sincerity and heart. Every conversation, every concern, and every initiative has reminded me why student governance matters. I care deeply about this community and about building a campus where students feel supported, empowered, and proud of the systems that represent them. If entrusted with this opportunity, I promise to continue leading with empathy, transparency, and unwavering dedication. Thank you for believing in me, and for allowing me to continue serving you.