

As a dedicated student within the Music and Computer Science combined program at UVic, I am excited to apply for the Student Senate with a strong focus on advocating for the needs of interdisciplinary programs

Throughout my academic journey, I have recognized the unique challenges faced by students in combined programs like mine. Often, we find ourselves in a position where we lack a strong "home" faculty, which can result in being overlooked for resources and support from either of our disciplines. I am committed to addressing these issues and ensuring that students in interdisciplinary programs have equitable access to the resources they need to thrive.

My passion for advocating for students extends beyond just interdisciplinary concerns. As a recipient of the Valerie Kuehne Undergraduate Research Awards (VKURA) in the summer of 2023, I have experienced firsthand the transformative impact that research opportunities can have on a student's academic and personal growth. I am dedicated to expanding these opportunities for undergraduates across all disciplines, as I believe that research experiences are invaluable in shaping well-rounded scholars and future leaders.

Furthermore, I am keenly aware of the bureaucratic hurdles and inefficiencies that can hinder both students and faculty members in their daily tasks. I believe that by implementing human design principles and actively engaging with stakeholders, we can streamline processes, reduce redundancy, and create a more supportive and efficient academic environment for everyone involved.

In my role as a member of the Student Senate, I am committed to listening to the concerns of my fellow students, advocating for meaningful change, and working collaboratively with faculty and administrators to create a more inclusive and supportive university community. Together, I am confident that we can make a positive impact and improve the lives of students and faculty alike.