Grant Casey Garland

SGA Freshman Class Representative Candidate

Statement of Qualification

1. Freshman Class Officers serve as a liaison between the University's Administration and the Freshman Class; if elected, what will you do to ensure that your constituents' interests are addressed?

Answering to the will of my peers is the not only my job but also my motivation as a Freshman Class Officer. In order to be an effective representative, I must extend my social horizons so that I can listen to all, consider the issues expressed, and formulate the best solutions.

2. How will you ensure that your class is well informed of decisions made by their representatives?

I believe transparency in legislation is of utmost importance. It is mandatory that my peers receive the information at hand, for it is this information that will ultimately affect their college experience. I must make sure that all forms of communication are utilized, whether that is email, social networking sites, weekly newsletters, or simply word of mouth.

3. What previous experience or qualities do you possess that help you better serve the class of 2013?

Effective leaders are qualified, determined, and respectful. I exhibit all of these characteristics and strive to perfect these leadership skills. I have demonstrated readiness by serving as a lifeguard, determination by leading my high school swim team to multiple championships as their captain, and respect by serving as coach of a local swim club.