

My Motivation to be part of the UCSRN board:

As a student from India, I did not know what to expect of the Amsterdam community. Coming from a different country, living my life with different kinds of people, I was super nervous on my first day. But in that blur, I noticed the thriving community fostered by my UC. I got involved in AUC's committee life instantly, and was introduced to UCSRN in my first year. I love the idea of the UC's from all over the country coming together under one organisation to compete and make new friends. I love meeting new people, and this would be my way of doing that professionally. In my first year I was part of the tournament team of AUC, which handled the administration and PR for UCSRN on our end. It was a thrilling experience to be a small part of something so big, and to represent my college. I would now like to extend that same spirit to becoming part of next year's board, to represent all the students from all the member UC's. I have always been one for school spirit, and being part of the board will allow me to bring that spirit and sense of community to our fellow students, getting them involved in this close knit, large community.

When talking about my experience for the role, it is almost like I have been preparing for it ever since I got to the Netherlands. Being the treasurer of four of AUC's committees over the last 2 years, has taught me a lot about the role and board dynamics. As a physics student, I have a great affinity for math and numbers, am skilled at using software like excel, google sheets, tally used for budgeting, and making formal transactions of large amounts. Additionally, I have learned a great deal about representation, team work, time management and balance through my committee involvement, and could use these skills as Treasurer of UCSRN. Moreover, I could apply the analytical problem solving and critical thinking skills I have acquired in my journey as a physics student, to my role as part of the board. I believe I would bring something important to the board with my amazing people skills, bubbly nature, critical skills and warm, open personality.

My vision for next year would be to endorse all the UCSRN events to the best extent, as much as we can permitted by our situation. I would like to enhance the scope of the tournament an spotlight by gaining new sponsors when required, and allocating money sensibly. I am currently doing an internship to scout for sponsors for AUC, and have learned a lot about the interactions, research pitches and correspondence that is required to attain sponsors. I would also like to strengthen existing sponsor relationships, which may lead to the organisation having enough money to organise large scale events. With better quality event management, planning and facilities, more students would be encouraged to represent their universities at our events. If the situation does not get better, I would like to with my board, build on the online platforms the current board has put in place, and try my best to make more students interested in participation. PR plays a big role in this, but it is not just the task of one board member. UCSRN needs more visibility in the first- and second-year students. As treasurer I will try my best to get more money to allocate it towards this.

In conclusion, UCSRN represents great school spirit, sense of community and passion. I would like to foster this feeling and help represent my fellow students by being part of the board. Not only would this be a great opportunity to learn professionalism and hone my accounting skills, it would be a great responsibility which will make me grow as an individual,

making me an independent, responsible and balanced person. I understand the sheer importance and responsibility of this role, but rest assured, I will give it my best to work towards being a great Treasurer. I am experienced, ready and willing to learn more, to give this role my all!