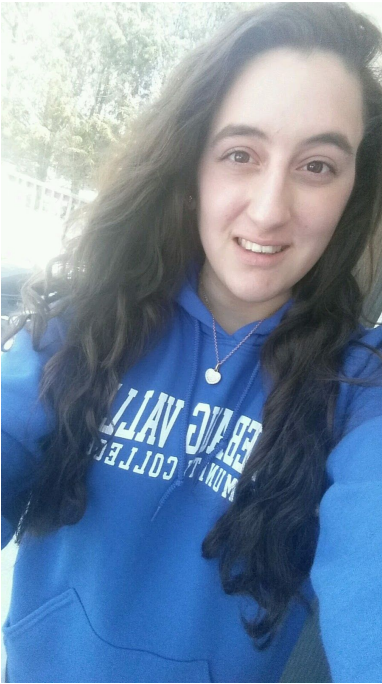


Michaela Grimaldi

Candidate for Vice President Position



Hello, my name is Michaela Grimaldi and I am a student in the Pathways to Teaching Careers program here at Quinebaug Valley Community College. I am currently in my 4th semester and plan on transferring to a four year institution to become an elementary school teacher. I am running for Vice President of Student Government because I want to be a part of making the college a great environment to learn and be in.

My prior experiences include being Secretary of SGA in the 2016-2017 school year, being secretary of the Tri-M Music Honor Society at Plainfield High School, leading ECPAA Acapella group Not Your Forte and attending multiple leadership camps.

As Vice President, I would vow to help students engage with both the college community and learn more the community around them, I would encourage more informative activities for students such as a club fair where students could find out more information about the clubs at QVCC.

One fact that I find very upsetting is the fact that most students are not aware of Student Government or of what SGA does. I was in my M146 class talking about SGA and a student said that she would love to be a part of SGA but didn't know when the meeting were or who she should even talk to to learn more about it. My first year at QVCC, I didn't even know the SGA existed until my english teacher told me about Baugstock, a music festival that SGA puts on each year in the spring semester. This is part of the reason why there is such a struggle for volunteers.

There are students at QVCC that are willing to volunteer and help out but don't know how. As Vice President, I would work to find more effective ways to get the word out about clubs, events and volunteer opportunities for students at QVCC. One idea would be organizing an event where students could learn more about the variety of clubs offered at QVCC. Not only would this event bring in more volunteers to the SGA it would bring awareness to student clubs such as ECE club and Current Events Club.

I believe that student involvement is key to a successful, friendly and knowledgeable college environment. I promise that I will put my all into this position and that I will do whatever it takes to ensure that I remain a voice for the students here at QVCC. Thank you.

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