

My name is Fatemeh Zakeri and I am in third year of my PhD studies in Chemistry and Biochemistry department. I received my BSc in applied chemistry from Semnan University and my MSc in inorganic chemistry from Iran University of Science and Technology, Tehran, Iran. I was a teacher back in Iran and here at the University of Regina, I am also serving as a teaching and research assistant. Being a student for many years, I personally have dealt with a number of different hurdles in my life and gained valuable experiences. I was a member of URSU'S EDIA committee and support equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility. I believe that an educational environment isn't about domestic vs international students; university's campus should be an environment where everyone feels included and enjoys equal opportunity; an environment that I will be dedicated to build. Besides, I'm very much aware of students' financial problems and the difficulty of acquiring scholarships and bursaries. I am running for the vice president of finance and operations in URSU's election this year and my goal is to pave the way for students towards a better experience at the University of Regina and help them to fight for their rights by helping URSU managing its budget to provide more scholarships for students and provide more real-life related workshops to help them facing the real-life problems after graduation, issues such as finding a job, and to run more events and activities to spread more fun around the campus.