



CODY DIRKS

SUUSA SENATOR GRADUATE

My name is Cody Dirks, and I am running for the Graduate Studies Senator. I have been accepted to be a student in the Master of Science in Business Analytics (MSBA) and will begin my coursework in the fall. I will complete my bachelor's degree as a double major of Economics and History here at Southern Utah University in the spring.

I have had amazing opportunities to serve in numerous leadership positions during my time at SUU. I currently serve as both the Economics and Analytics representative in the Business Council as well as the president of the Economics and Analytics Club. Through these positions I have learned the importance of working as a team, taking the initiative in changes I would like to see, and of being the leader of a cause that you believe in.

I want to help all graduate students succeed at SUU in some of the following ways:

- **Representation:** As a member of the SUUSA Senate, I will be representative as not only our graduate programs but our student body. It is an honor to be considered for this position, and as senator I will ensure that my actions are representative of all SUU and its students.
- **Responsibility:** As the Graduate Studies Senator, I am here to represent all graduate students and their interests. I am always open to hearing what ideas, suggestions, or issues our students have and will work diligently to be able to assist them. It is through this collaboration that I believe fosters growth for not only our school, but for our students.
- **Resources:** I aim to ensure that all our students, both in-person and online, know about all resources available to them. I also hope to be able to provide additional resources to our ever-growing graduate student body.
- **Recruitment:** As an undergraduate student, I was not aware of many of the graduate programs here at SUU. I aim to provide our undergraduate students with opportunities to meet with our graduate students and faculty. SUU is a very affordable option for all students, and I hope to be able to share that with those students considering a master's degree.

Through my time at SUU, I have found a love for our school. Despite its small size, we have competitive programs, amazing faculty, and a community of some of the best students in the Mountain West. I cannot wait to work with our amazing graduate students to make a better SUU.

