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## **SUUSA Department of Education & Human Development Senator**

Hello! My name is Madeline Remkes, and I am a freshman here at SUU. And I want to be your senator of the education and human development department! As a Social Work major with an anticipated minor in Special Education, a majority of my classes have been FLHD classes that have given me experience to learn more about the department. I have grown so much from the things that I have learned here at SUU, and I want to be able to continue doing so while sharing my experience with others. The FLHD program is one that prioritizes human connection and relationships, and those are both things that I have a passion for learning about.

When it comes to leadership experience, I have been involved since the 7th grade. I was in Student Government for 5 years, and served as the SBO of assemblies my senior year of highschool. I was the social science sterling scholar of my highschool, and a member of National Honors Society for 5 years. I served on the Utah SheTech student board, which was an organization encouraging women to pursue jobs in technology. I was also the leader of the Students Against Slavery board for my highschool. I learned a lot about leadership and the wonderful opportunities that it provides, and want to share that with my peers.

My mission purpose statement and goals:

- I plan on working to provide more information about resources for mental health including affordable therapy and on-campus services.
- I plan on communicating openly about new ideas that students have shared with me to the executive council.
- I plan on emphasizing the importance of use of the bulletin boards in the education building for information sharing within the department.
- I plan on prioritizing school events and networking opportunities that will help me to get to know the study body better and share information.

Not only will I commit myself to prioritizing the student body, but I will commit to helping my peers to pursue their own goals and support them along the way. In my opinion, the only thing standing in the way of a student and their educational goals is resources. I want to be a communicator between departments, colleges, and programs so we all can work together to provide students with as many opportunities and resources as possible. I would love nothing more than to be next year's senator of the education and human development program. I look forward to networking and getting to know more of my peers on campus, and I hope to be able to carry out my mission purpose statement and goals if elected for this position. Let's take what this year's challenges have taught us, and "grow" through it together.

