

Presidential and Vice Presidential Candidates Sergio Hernandez Alcantara and Kania Campbell's Platform

My name is Sergio Hernandez Alcantara and I have served in the USG executive branch for two terms. In my time in USG serving as Secretary of Diversity and Inclusive Excellence and Director of Student Advocacy, I have striven to include student voices in conversations where they are typically excluded. My method of serving the community of the University of Denver is to listen, uplift, and serve. My experience in USG has been one of hard-work, dedication, and persistence in topics that become difficult conversations. I have dedicated my life to being a servant of the people. That is why I am running to be your next USG President.

My name is Kania Campbell and I came to DU hoping that I would find a community with safety. In some ways, I found that but in many other ways I did not. As lead social media intern for the Center for Sustainability and as a member of Divest DU, I know firsthand that the University is not being pushed hard enough to put their money where their mouth is. Students are going into debt all the while the Board maintains its investments in fossil fuels and disregards both student safety today and in the future. I refuse to continue contributing to this framework and promise to not back down when being on the opposing side of the Board. I've never been afraid to stand my ground especially when it matters and that is why I am running to be your next USG Vice President.

If elected as USG President and Vice President, we will strive everyday to be accountable and accessible to the entire student body. Part of a responsive and democratic government is the ability to talk to elected representatives. Depending on interest, we will work to set up frequent town halls so that we can listen directly from the student body on the issues that impact them and their communities. Setting up these town halls will ensure that we remain accountable and accessible long after the election and will aid us in better serving the student body.

We will also work to have the University be transparent about the safety of people on campus. The University of Denver still has not released the full results of the Campus Climate Survey and only recently put out a statement after student backlash to the delaying of publication of the results. The University of Denver has a responsibility to ensure that students feel safe on this campus and we will work with all relevant parties to shift the culture on campus where students can feel safe, know the resources available to them, and have a clear path forward when it comes to taking action.

Finally, a core goal for our administration is to increase the presence of civic engagement on campus. With a presidential election coming around the corner, next academic year is the perfect time to start laying the groundwork to increase the number of people who vote on this campus and make sure that civic engagement is a value we as a student body share. Additionally, things

like collaboration with the Burwell Center, programming for graduating seniors, and the advertisement of opportunities both on and off campus through official USG channels will strive to make this campus more engaged both on campus and off it and for the years that follow after graduation.

As election season progresses, we hope that we are able to earn your vote!