APPLICANT BIO

Hello everyone! My name is **Sam Alatorre** (he/him). I am a second-year medical student at the University of Calgary. As UofC's VP External (National), I quickly discovered my passion for CFMS and have worked hard to represent the perspectives of students during CFMS Roundtables and connect students with the organization.

I am a first-generation Canadian and the first member of my family to pursue medicine. I can appreciate the many paths to medicine and the diversity of student needs that exist. I believe that this diversity should be prioritized to inform stronger advocacy and ensure success for students from all backgrounds. The CFMS is uniquely positioned to be more and do more for our community which is why I am excited to be running for President.



Before medical school, I completed a Master's in Public Health Policy where I developed skills in governance and the policy and advocacy process. I have worked for the federal government and Heart & Stroke Foundation as a policy analyst, advocacy specialist, and stakeholder engagement liaison. I believe in the importance of building strong relationships, of empowering my team and their ideas, of proper consultation and collaboration with stakeholders, including equity-deserving groups and people with lived experience, and in cultivating a transparent, supportive, and inclusive organization.

Outside of school, you can find me spending time with family while enjoying home-cooked Mexican food, playing squash and soccer, or watching football. Thank you for considering my experience and passion when deciding your vote!

Sincerely,

Sam Alatorre