

Bio

My name is Astha Burande, and I am a medical student at the University of Alberta (UofA). I enjoy going to the gym, playing tennis and travelling. My goal is to visit all the continents in my lifetime!

My involvement with the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) has been a highlight of my academic journey thus far. As a member of the Governance Committee over the past year, I have worked on several initiatives aimed at enhancing student governance within the organization. Specifically, I was involved in discussions related to suggestions for election-related amendments, some of which have been implemented in the current election cycle!

Furthermore, as the President of STEM Teachers 4 Equality during my undergraduate years, I championed gender equality through education, recognizing the immense power of education to effect change. I also served on the Student Advisory Committee at UofA, collaborating with faculty members to identify opportunities to enhance the student experience.

One area that I am particularly passionate about is rural health. Through my involvement in the SRPC's Rural Outreach Initiative, I had the opportunity to mentor a high school student who was interested in pursuing a career in medicine. This experience solidified my love for education, particularly in the context of rural health. Overall, I am confident that my diverse range of experiences and background has equipped me with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in the role of Director of Education.