

Candidate Platform

Zachary Visconti for GSB Class of 2025 Senate

Hello Fordham! My name is Zachary Visconti and I am running for reelection for USG Senate for the 2025 Gabelli spot, for the 2023-2024 school year. I was first elected to this seat early on in the Spring 2023 semester in a special election. Since then, I have learned the ins and outs of USG, spoken to my constituents, and brainstormed proposal ideas for my hopeful next, full term.

Before I dive into the goals and objectives I hope to achieve in office, I want to first talk about my personality and who I am as a person, because I believe that is most important. First off, I am, in all aspects, a do-er. I am not someone who sits on the sidelines while things happen around me. I get involved and I take action. My past experiences both at Fordham and elsewhere in life is evidence to this. Second, I fight for what I believe in. Whether it be at Fordham or anywhere else in life, I stand behind my beliefs and I stand behind them strong. Finally, I see things in the bigger picture. I look beyond the immediate and I think of things totally, for the common good, in the long term.

Now onto the goals and objectives I hope to achieve in office. They are, with background included, as such:

Increased Awareness for All Opportunities on Campus

- I think it can be agreed upon that Fordham offers students a wide range of opportunities across several different areas (e.g. educational, extracurricular, professional, financial, and athletic). However, I believe some students are unaware of many of these opportunities simply because Fordham falls short in advertising certain ones. As senator, I would work towards increasing

awareness for many of these opportunities so that all students can take advantage of what Fordham offers for us to succeed.

Increased Transparency Between the Community and Administration

- I understand that upper-level Fordham administrators make tough decisions for our school in order to ensure we as a university thrive. Although some of these decisions can be seen as controversial (e.g. tuition raise, union negotiations, mandates, etc.), they are necessary and must be done. However, I know I would sleep better at night knowing why some of these decisions are made, and the data that supports the universities conclusions. As senator, I would work towards increasing the transparency between the Fordham community and upper-level Fordham administration when such decisions are made, increasing access to the data that they use to make their decisions.

If reelected, I hope to accomplish these goals and objectives with the same attitude that I go through life with: that nothing is impossible and all it takes is a little hard work, the know-how, and talking to the right people. I hope I can count on your vote in the election and I look forward to humbly serving the Fordham community.