Hello, Class of 2024!

Welcome to UVA! I know that this is a difficult time to be entering college in many ways, but I am optimistic that you will be creative in finding chances to make the most of your time here, whether you are on Grounds or at home. Remember that you belong at UVA, and your fellow Hoos are very excited to have you join our community!

Something that I love about UVA is that there are so many different opportunities to get involved and meet new people. One of my favorite memories is staying up at late hours of the night hanging out and talking to my hallmates. Some of those girls even became some of my best friends here, and I still live with them to this day! I found also found a home in some of the CIOs across ground, the dearest to my heart being my dance club, Virginia Dance Company, which has allowed to me keep my creative outlet as well as interacting with a variety of dancers from different backgrounds. Find that club for you, with over 900 CIOs, I am positive there is something for you here!

I encourage you to push yourself to try new things during your time at college, even during this mostly virtual semester. I'm confident that you will find your home at UVA, just like I did! I wish you the best of luck with your first semester and the rest of your years at UVA. We're very excited to have you!

Go Hoos!

Sincerely, Lauren Hall

Class of 2021