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 I love about UVA is the amount of opportunities and resources that are available for us! There's so much that UVA has to offer in terms of academic, research, internship, and social opportunities. I am a executive member of Phi Alpha Delta, a professional Co-Ed Pre-Law Fraternity on grounds, and despite the current pandemic, we are still managing the organization really well through planning virtual events such as online zoom debates, instagram lives/take-overs, and tiktok competitions between our families! If you're interested in law or would just like to meet really cool people don't hesitate to reach out! As a transfer student from Guam, I have found my place in PAD and I hope you find yours somewhere as well.

During these times, it can be difficult to be engaged in the community but student organizations and resources on grounds such as the career center are trying their best to optimize the situation so don't hesitate to email and reach out to anyone of interest! 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!

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Sincerely, Julie Quibuyen Class of 2021