

## Fahmida Tafader '24

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My name is Fahmida Tafader and I am going to be a sophomore at SUNY Canton this fall. I'm majoring in Finance and also hope to minor in Economics and Mathematics. I had no prior knowledge of SUNY Canton, other than hearing about it from others. I planned on completing my Bachelor's Degree fully online and I was desperately searching for colleges in New York with online programs. I felt so alone because everyone in my high school was going to traditional, physical schools. After my graduation, I kept searching and searching and finally found SUNY Canton. I fell in love right away and applied immediately. This school is perfect for me because it has everything I was looking for and more. The professors, staff, tutors, and students are amazing and they're so helpful academically and personally. My love for this college grew exponentially as time went by and I still feel like I'm living a fairytale.

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There are many experiences I've had at SUNY Canton but the best one is developing an awesome friendship with my tutor, Melissa, in the Writing Center. She slowly went from being just a person I asked to help me edit my papers to a friend that I confide in often. The people at SUNY Canton, such as Melissa and my professors, are the reason behind my application to be a peer mentor. I've always enjoyed helping my classmates and those around me with anything I could, from homework to life advice. I am so excited to be a part of the Jump Start program because I can help students, like myself, who are in their transition from high school to college and beyond. I think it's vital to have someone support us along the journey and I am so thankful to have the privilege of being that person.

