Hi!

My name is Vegard Sjaastad Hansen, and I want to run for election as leader and member of the Student Board. I have a strong desire to look after students' interests, especially when it comes to mental health, interdisciplinary learning, amount of learning, and inclusion.

In the past year, everyone has probably gotten a new relationship to their own mental health. Those currently in AU did a fantastic job of mobilizing the student body to a gathering in support of the local health station, when the agreement with the municipality was renegotiated last autumn. This is a job I want to follow up on, and if possible, continue with. The university and the students are an important resource for Ås municipality, and an offer like the health center, is the least they can give back.



Work has now begun on assessing a more block-based structure of the subjects at NMBU. It is still very early in the process, but I think it is important to provide input already now. I want to be proactive, and make sure that the criteria the solution is assessed according to benefit the students in the best possible way. I think another structure may be appropriate, as long as it does not get in the way of the amount of learning, interdisciplinary learning or student welfare. Here I see a good opportunity to work as a team with the administration to make this happen.

I am now in the third year of Energy and Environmental Physics, and every year I have become more and more fond of the university and the student community around it. That is why I have become involved in the line association Miljøfysikerne, I have been a member of Tuntreet as a translator, and I have been a Buddy-General. Arranging a Buddy-week in the middle of the pandemic has taught me a lot, including how important socialization is for mental health. I have learned how to handle crises, and how important good communication is to avoid uncertainty. These are some of the things I will take with me into the work if I am elected.

That being said, the time I have spent in the Miljøfysikerne, in Tuntreet, in the election committee at Samfunnet, in student a association, in my class and in other positions and committees has also meant that I have come into contact with many different students. I want to represent as many different students as possible if I am elected into the AU. I am a person who takes all suggestions and feedback seriously.

Vote for me if you want me to represent you.