

UWSA BY-ELECTION 2018 CANDIDATES

Arts Director

Silke Groenweg

Hey! I'm Silke and I'm so excited to be running for Arts Director. Currently in my fourth year studying Political Science and International Development, I have been a dedicated member of the university community and have been involved in various organizations and student groups. This experience has shown me the challenges of student life and the importance of student engagement. I believe strongly in the potential of students to be active and involved in the community around them and I believe that the actions of the UWSA should reflect that. It is my goal to engage Arts students in a meaningful way to ensure accurate representation that works in the best interests of students and that new opportunities are established. It is also imperative that we continue to fight for a quality university education that is accessible and affordable.



Part-time/Mature Students' Director

Chantal Cloutier

I am Chantal Cloutier, a full-time mature student at the University of Winnipeg. I will be running for the position of Director of Mature and Part-Time Students. Before transferring to the U of W, I was a student and board member with Students Older Than Average, a student group at Memorial University of Newfoundland. I held the position of Treasurer for 4 semesters. At SOTA, I helped with fundraisers and addressing the needs of the mature students while also facilitating a space that encouraged a sense of community. I worked to create outreach events and network with other student groups where we had a crossover of populations. It is my intention to create a space at the U of W where Mature and Part-Time Students can have a sense of belonging and create activities that will encourage engagement with the University and our peers. Above all I want to hear from Mature and Part Time Students to know what their concerns and needs are at the University that are not currently being addressed and what I can do to bring those issues forward in a meaningful way. I am currently pursuing a Bachelor's in Psychology and am a member of the Psychology Students Association. In my downtime I enjoy seeing the best of what Winnipeg has to offer. Whether it's hitting up First Fridays in the Exchange or taking advantage of my student card for cheap membership at the Cinematheque, you never have to be bored in Winnipeg even on a dime.



Racialized Students' Director

Noelle Sagher

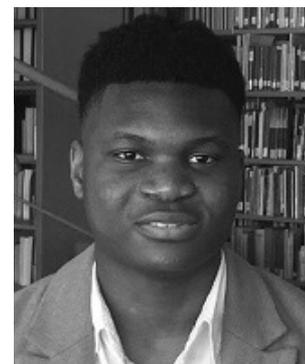
My name is Noelle and I am currently in my fourth year at UW, double-majoring in Human Rights and Conflict Resolution. I am excited to be running for the Racialized Persons Director. As a woman of colour in Winnipeg, I understand the barriers and challenges that people of colour face, especially in an academic setting, whether it be social, financial, and everything in between. Having worked for various organizations around the world, including the United Nations and International Women's Rights Action Watch – Asia Pacific, I hope to bring my experiences of working with people of colour from different countries back to the ground here in Winnipeg and at the University. As a current member of the Student of Colour Collective at UW, I recognize that there is great value in working as a collective, and I care immensely about PoC voices, intersectionality, and equity.



Student Living Director

David Debayo-Sanusi and Alexander Ilesanmi

I'm David Sanusi and alongside my hopeful Co-Director Alexander Ilesanmi, we are running for the position of Director of Student Life. We need to voice our concerns as students in order to curb the constant tuition increases and high costs of student living. We decided to run for this position to serve as a voice for the students regarding issues surrounding student-life such as the ever-rising costs of education and living. From experience, we have witnessed people stop schooling just because they could not keep up with these costs. As people who wish to attain a University education, we should not need to worry about how these costs could prevent us from achieving our goals. If elected, our main priority will be to strictly influence union decisions to favor cheaper education and living costs. We wish to serve you, vote us to experience these desired changes.



Pooja Kadakia

Pooja Kadakia is a first year student running for Director of Student Living. Having been very focused on minimizing costs and maximizing efficiency from a young age, Pooja is interested in this position to help direct funds to better suit the needs of the students. Currently living at McFeetor's, she is very interested in looking at the costs allocated towards student housing, and improving the quality of life living in student residence. In addition she plans to look at education funding and allocation, and work towards improving costs and negotiating costs that are mandatory for students to pay. She also plans to host activities such as workshops and job fairs, to help other students improve budgeting skills, and earn a bit more while to help subsidize education fees!



Women, Trans, and Non-Binary Students' Director

Heather Werboweski

Heather Werboweski is a student in the Faculty of Arts majoring in Religion and Culture and minoring in English and French. She has been involved in Girl Guides of Canada, the largest all-female organization and in the MNO Synod's pride parade walk and activities. Heather hopes to bring an intersectional feminist perspective to the board of directors, backed up by years of experience serving her community.



VOTING STATIONS

MONDAY, OCT. 22

Riddell Hall | 9 AM - 6 PM
Richardson Complex | 9 AM - 6PM
Wii Chiiwaakanak Centre | 12 PM - 4.30 PM

TUESDAY, OCT. 23

Riddell Hall | 9 AM - 6 PM
Richardson Complex | 9 AM - 6PM
Buhler Centre | 12 PM - 2 PM
Menno Simons College | 2.30 PM - 4.30 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24

Riddell Hall | 9 AM - 6 PM
Richardson Complex | 9 AM - 6PM
Merchants Corner | 12 PM - 4.30 PM

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