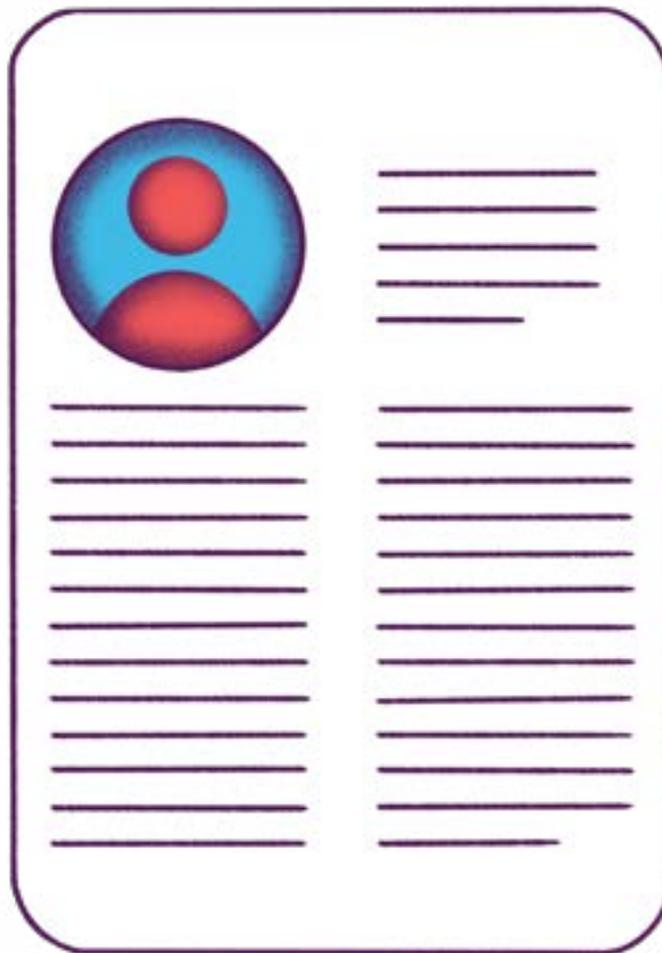


# UWSA BY-ELECTION VOTER GUIDE 2021-2022



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# HOW TO VOTE ONLINE

- 1** Check your Webmail to receive your unique Elector ID, password and voting link.
- 2** Click on the voting link and enter your Elector ID and password to login and go to the voting page.
- 3** Go through every candidate and vote yes, no, or leave it blank to abstain.
- 4** Click “continue” when you reach the bottom of the voting page.
- 5** Review your ballot. If you need to change a vote, click “change”.
- 6** Click confirm when you’re satisfied with your answers. Your ballot will be submitted. You can view your voting receipt on the page.

## Vote on Oct 25-27

**Polls open at 9 AM on October 25 and close at 6 PM on October 27.**

**In-Person Polling at Riddell Hall from 9 AM to 6PM on Oct 25 - 27.**



# ACCESSIBLE VOTING

The Simply Voting website is compatible with screen reading technology. Students with accessibility needs or those without access to Wi-Fi can also cast their vote by phone during the voting period. To cast your vote, simply call the Chief Polling Officer, Mikaila Collins at 204-995-3725 between 9 AM - 6 PM on October 25, 26, or 27.

## Didn't receive the Simply Voting email with your voting link?

Check your spam folder! If you still can't find the email, reach us at [cec@theuwsa.ca](mailto:cec@theuwsa.ca). Your vote will be taken tentatively until we can confirm your student status.

## Appeals and Complaints

The Chief Elections Commissioner and Election Campaign Facilitator are responsible for ensuring a fair and unbiased election, and managing all complaints, disputes, and violations of the By-Laws. Any member of the association can file a complaint against a campaign. Complaints must be submitted and resolved in accordance with the Elections Complaints Policy to the CEC at [cec@theuwsa.ca](mailto:cec@theuwsa.ca) and ECF at [u.khan@theuwsa.ca](mailto:u.khan@theuwsa.ca). This document is not a stand in for the UWSA By-laws. All Candidates for Election are expected to familiarize themselves with the By-laws. This guide is not a governing document of the UWSA and may not be referenced in any election complaint or appeal.

The Election Accountability Board (EAB) is the check and balance for the CEC and ECF. Complaints against an action or decision of the CEC or ECF can be submitted to the Chair of the EAB at [chair@theuwsa.ca](mailto:chair@theuwsa.ca). Any member of the association can file a complaint against the CEC and ECF.

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# CANDIDATE BIOS

## Candidates for Racialized Students' Co-Director:



### Manjot Singh Sembhi

Greetings, my name is Manjot Singh Sembhi. I am an International Student from Punjab, India. I am running for the position of Radicalized Students Director because I am passionate about anti-racism. I can understand from first-hand experience how being from a minority culture, ethnicity or religion can be challenging. Our Student body is an extremely diverse group and I want to ensure that no one is discriminated against based on their immutable characteristics. My approach to anti-racism is guided by Sikh principles of tolerance, pluralism, equality and charity. I want to promote these principles within our university so that everyone can be treated equally and the most vulnerable can be protected.



### Shubham Aman Kumar

My name is Shubham Aman Kumar. I am an international student in Canada originally hailing from the region of Punjab in India. I am pursuing my Majors in Psychology and Philosophy finishing my third year. I want to be a Psychotherapist specializing in Drugs/ Psychedelics and perhaps Psychotic disorders and would like to help the masses struggling, live a better quality and fulfilling life. Most of what I believe in and live by comes from the community that I belong to. The region that I come from acted as a sole entry to the Indian Peninsula in olden days and so always under attack by foreign powers. In response, the people of this community developed an unmatched attitude of eternal optimism and joy in the face of adversity. This is known as 'Charhdi Kala' in Punjabi. And is something that plays a powerful role in my life and helps keep me grounded and stable. I am an avid believer in giving power to student bodies and so want the organization to be very prevalent and an ever present entity for University students academically or otherwise. Strong student engagement is something I want to work towards. I strongly advocate for student polling and students having power over final decisions. Apart from that I also believe in equity for all in all domains without question and strongly feel for subjects relating to the same. Creating a safer and more inclusive community and environment for all is the way forward and advocating for that is a very important issue for me as well.

# CANDIDATE BIOS

## Candidates for Graduate Students' Director:



### Jude Obidiagha

Jude Obidiagha is a graduate student of Applied Economics (Policy Analysis) at the University of Winnipeg and is running for the position of Graduate Students' Director. As someone who is passionate and has taken actionable steps to address issues that dampened systems building and to promote positive change. I understand that servant leadership is a necessary tool to forge transformational change in society.

In my role as a graduate student director, I hope to achieve the following; instigate for a role at the international student office that caters directly to international graduate students; push for the need for graduate student mentors and promote interdisciplinary interactions among graduate students.



### Muhammad Moshir Rahman

Hello! My name is Muhammad Moshir Rahman. I am a 2nd year graduate student in Master of Applied Economics at the Department of Economics. Currently, I am graduate student representative at the University of Winnipeg Bangladeshi Student Association (UWBSA). I am also member of National Transfer Account and National Time Transfer Account collaborated with the East-West Centre at University of Hawaii. At present, I am working with Controllershship and Compliance Unit at the office of Provincial Comptroller of Treasury Board Secretariat as Junior Strategic Analyst. I was serving as Economist at United Nations Development programme (UNDP) and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in Bangladesh from June 2017 to February 2021. I am running for the position of Graduate director. I will strive for better community engagement of graduate student and would like to make a bridge between undergraduate and graduate students for unified campus. I will also engage myself in advocating for the tuition issue and more financial aid opportunities.

# CANDIDATE BIOS

## Candidate for Emerging Leader Director (1-year term):



### Karanpartap Singh

My name is Karanpartap Singh, and I am an international student majoring in political science. I have been nominated for the emerging leader director (1 year term). A book and a pleasant evening are all what I crave for. I am a huge movie buff, and I love playing basketball and writing poetry. I hope to bring an inclusive environment on the school campus, by redressing the problems and promoting better engagement between students and the organization. One of my many goals is to increase extra-curricular activities and forming a society like the one in Dead Poets Society, literally!

**Uncontested positions will have a yes/no option.**

# CANDIDATE BIOS

## Candidates for Emerging Leader Co-Director (2-year term):



### Deep Thind

My name is Deep Thind, I have completed a biochemistry degree here at The University of Winnipeg and am now pursuing a degree majoring in biology. I was born and raised in Winnipeg, and I have always enjoyed being apart of our tight knit but ever-growing community. This inspired me to run for the role of 2-year emerging leaders director in the UWSA. As the emerging leaders director, I will strive to create a stronger community feeling within the university, especially after many of us have been away from campus for so long. I believe a sense of community and belonging is very important in all aspects of our lives and as the emerging leaders director, you can count on me to create strong community relations between the UWinnipeg student body.



### Amanpreet Singh Gill

Hello! My name is Amanpreet Singh Gill, and I am a second-year Computer Science student. I am an international student hailing from Punjab, India. Activities that interest me are playing football, listening to music and watching documentaries. I am running as co-director with Deep Thind as Emerging Leader Director (2-year term). My motive is to advocate for student's needs and make positive changes in the university like inclusion of extra-curricular activities and issues of rising tuition costs. I want to help everyone to enjoy their time at University of Winnipeg. As a student leader, I will be your voice and collectively we'll make our university a better place for everyone!

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