

UWSA GENERAL ELECTION 2023

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

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UWSA THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

This is a nomination form for the vacant Board of Directors positions of the UWSA. To complete this form, fill out the required fields below, and attach a screenshot or scan of a recent transcript to verify your eligibility for election.

Transcripts can be accessed via WebAdvisor
(WebAdvisor>CurrentStudents>StudentPlanning>Unofficial Transcript)

NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST:

- Availability Restrictions
- Transcript(s) attached
- Candidate(s) information filled in

You must submit this completed nomination form to the Acting General Manager by emailing t.hanan@theuwsa.ca at or before 6 p.m. Thursday, February 16, 2022. Students with accessibility needs can submit a request for nomination forms in alternate formats by email to the Acting General Manager at t.hanan@theuwsa.ca

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

The term of office for the nominated Board of Directors is May 1, 2023, through to April 30, 2024. To be eligible to run for a UWSA office you must be a current UWSA member (i.e. you must be a student at the University of Winnipeg during the time of nomination or currently hold office as a member of the UWSA executive). Provincial law mandates that to serve on a board of directors, you must not currently be bankrupt and must be 18 years of age or older.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

UWSA directors represent constituencies of students (such as Arts students, or 2SLGBTQ* students) to UWSA committees and the Board of Directors. Directors help the union make decisions at every level, including managing finances, setting governance rules, and planning events and political campaigns. The Board of Directors meets monthly and UWSA Committees meet bi-weekly to monthly, depending on the committee.

FACULTY DIRECTORS

Faculty Directors represent interests particular to students of their faculty to the UWSA Board of Directors, and work with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. They act as liaison with relevant student groups and associations.

- **Arts Director:** The Arts Director represents the interests of Arts students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Arts Director acts as liaison with student groups and associations relevant to Arts students.
- **Business and Economics Director:** The Business and Economics Director represents interests particular to Business and Economics students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Business and Economics Director acts as a liaison with student groups and associations relevant to Business and Economics students.
- **Education Director:** The Education Director represents interests particular to Education students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Education Director acts as a liaison with student groups and associations relevant to Education students.
- **Graduate Director:** The Graduate Students' Director represents interests particular to Graduate students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Graduate Students' Director acts as liaison with student groups and associations relevant to Graduate students.
- **Science Director:** The Science Director represents interests particular to science students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Science Director acts as a liaison with student groups and associations relevant to science students.

COMMUNITY DIRECTORS

Community Directors represent interests particular to students from their community to the UWSA Board of Directors, and work with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. They act as a liaison between students, service centres and community groups.

- **Accessibility Director:** The Accessibility Director represents interests particular to students disabled by barriers and works with the UWSA Board of Directors and Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Accessibility Director acts as a liaison between students and the Accessibility Services, the UWSA Access Lounge, and other campus and UWSA services and community groups that challenge ableist oppression.
- **Community Liaison Director:** The Community Liaison Director assists the UWSA Executive in building community relationships and partnerships and implementing political campaigns relevant to the campus and downtown community. The Community Liaison Director assists UWSA student groups with charity events, liaises with the University of Winnipeg chapter of the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) and volunteers with the UWSA Foodbank.
- **Environmental Ethics Director:** The Environmental Ethics Director represents environmental issues to the Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to address these issues with the community, university, and government. The Environmental Ethics Director acts as a liaison between students and environmental student groups.
- **International Students' Director:** The International Students' Director represents interests particular to international students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The International Students' Director acts as liaison with student groups and associations relevant to international students, including the University of Winnipeg chapter of the World University Service of Canada (WUSC).
- **Two-spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and * (2SLGBTQ*) Students' Director:** The 2SLGBTQ* Students' Director represents interests particular to 2SLGBTQ* students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The 2SLGBTQ* Director acts as a liaison between students and the Rainbow Lounge and community groups that challenge sexuality and gender oppression.

- **Part-Time/Mature Students' Director:** The Part-Time/Mature Students' Director represents interests particular to Part-Time and/or Mature students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government.
- **Racialized Students' Director:** The Racialized Students' Director represents interests particular to Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The Racialized Students' Director acts as liaison between students and the BIPoC Lounge and community groups that challenge racism.
- **Recreation and Athletics Director:** The Recreation and Athletics Director assists UWSA staff and Executive in planning, coordinating, and promoting recreational and athletic activities on campus, and works with relevant student groups to support campus intramurals. The Recreation and Athletics Director acts as a liaison between students and the Duckworth Centre and RecPlex administrators.
- **Student Living Director:** The Student Living Director represents issues surrounding cost of living and university education to the Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to address these issues with the community, university, and government. The Student Living Director acts as a liaison between students and the University of Winnipeg Residents Association and the Department of Housing and Student Life.
- **Women, Trans, and Non-Binary (WTNB) Students' Director:** The WTNB Director represents interests particular to Women, Trans, and/or non-Binary students to the UWSA Board of Directors and works with the UWSA Executive to represent these interests to the community, university, and government. The WTNB Director acts as a liaison between students and the Women-Trans Spectrum Centre and community groups that challenge gender oppression.

OTHER POSITIONS:

- **Emerging Leader Directors (two-year term):** UWSA Emerging Leader Directors duties include general membership engagement; promotion of UWSA events, board meetings, and general meetings; and assisting the Vice-Presidents in board mentorship and transition year-to-year. The Emerging Leader Directors hold staggered two-year terms. The term of office for the Emerging Leader Directors starts May 1, 2023, when they are elected through to April 30, 2025.
- **UWSA Regent:** UWSA Regents represent all UW students to the University of Winnipeg Board of Regents. The Board of Regents rules on financial matters, big-picture goals, and the strategic development of the university. The Board of Regents is the highest governing authority of the university. The Board of Regents and Regent Committees meet bi-monthly.
- **UWSA Senator:** UWSA Senators represent all UW students to the University of Winnipeg Senate and Senate Committees. The Senate makes decisions on all academic matters of the university, including curriculum development, student academic appeals, and the setting of academic standards. Senate meets monthly and Senate Committees meet bi-weekly to monthly, depending on the committee.

MANDATORY DATES IF ELECTED:

- **Board Orientation:** April 24 - 26, 2023.
- **Executive Orientation:** First Weeks of May.
- **Board Meeting Dates:** (Wednesday, 5:30PM.)
 - May 31
 - June 28
 - July 26
 - August 30
 - September 27
 - November 8
 - December 6
 - January 31
 - March 13
 - April 24

AVAILABLE POSITIONS FOR THE 2023 UWSA GENERAL ELECTION

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE:

- Accessibility Director
- Community Liaison Director
- Environmental Ethics Director
- International Students' Director
- Part-Time/Mature Students' Director
- Racialized Students' Director
- Recreation and Athletics Director
- Student Living Director
- 2SLGBTQ* Students' Director
- Women, Trans, and Non-Binary
- (WTNB) Students' Director
- Arts Director
- Business and Economics Director
- Education Director
- Graduate Director
- Professional, Applied, and
- Continuing Education
- (PACE) Students' Director
- Science Director
- Emerging Leader Director
- UWSA Regents
- UWSA Senators

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES DURING ELECTIONS

February 20 - March 3, 2023: All Candidates Training and Campaign Preparation Week

- MANDATORY Photo Days (all candidates MUST book a 15-minute session): Tuesday, February 21 - Thursday, February 23, from 10AM to 4PM
- DEADLINE to request for the UWSA Communications team for campaign material assistance: Thursday, February 23, by 4PM
- DEADLINE to register as a slate. Must notify the CEC (cec@theuwsa.ca) and General Manage (t.hanan@theuwsa.ca) by email or in writing: Thursday, February 23, by 4PM
- DEADLINE to register as co-directorship or change positions you are running. Must notify the CEC (cec@theuwsa.ca) and General Manage (t.hanan@theuwsa.ca) by email or in writing: Friday, February 24, by 4PM
- MANDATORY Election Training Day (all candidates MUST attend): Sunday, February 26, from 9AM to 5PM
- DEADLINE to submit your candidate bios for the Voter's Guide. Please email your bio to the Marketing and Public Relations Manager at a.nguyen@theuwsa.ca: Monday, February 27, by 4PM

March 6-15, 2023: Campaign Week

- Candidates may start to campaign and announce their candidacy: Monday, March 6 at 9AM

March 13-15, 2023: Voting Week

- VOTING BEGINS. All UofW students will be emailed their voting information: Monday, March 13 at 9AM
- Final day to vote in the elections: Wednesday, March 15 by 6PM

Campaign information and confirmation of your candidacy will be emailed to you on Friday, February 17. In the email it will contain information on the mandatory training day, mandatory photo days, campaigning, and voting.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

I, _____, have considered the text of this form in full, and consent to my nomination for the position of _____. I certify that I am aware of the eligibility requirements for nomination, of the regulations regarding elections, and the duties of the office to which I seek election. I certify that I am at least 18 years of age, do not have the status of bankrupt, and that I am a member of the UWSA. I agree to respect all UWSA by-laws and policies and, should I be elected, pledge to accept the responsibility of the office.

Student Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Home Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Please list your citizenship, residency, or immigration status in Canada (Citizenship is not a requirement to run in the UWSA Elections):

Candidate Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____

The UWSA is committed to protecting personal information provided in the course of the services it provides and the operation of the organization, including that information submitted in the forms. For more information please see the UWSA Privacy Policy, available online here, and last revised in 2022.

GENERAL MANAGER AND CHIEF ELECTION COMMISSIONER (CEC):

- The Acting General Manager is Thomas Hanan.
- The Chief Elections Commissioner (CEC) is Khushneet Kaur.
- Any questions or communications about the elections (nomination, training, campaign, and voting) can be directed to the General Manager by email, t.hanan@theuwsa.ca and the CEC by email, cec@theuwsa.ca.
- The General Manager and Chief Election Commissioner work together as impartial election officers and are responsible for the integrity of the election process. They are to be informed of any discrepancies or any breach of regulations during nominations, campaigning, and voting.
- Questions, concerns, and complaints arising from any General Manager and CEC interpretation of the Bylaws may be directed to the EAB through the chair of the UWSA Board by email, chair@theuwsa.ca.
- The decisions of the General Manager and CEC, unless formally appealed to the Election Accountability Board (EAB), are final. The rulings of EAB are final.

ELECTION BYLAWS:

- UWSA Elections take place in accordance with UWSA's Bylaw V. Elections and Referenda
- In accordance with the Bylaw 10 – State of Emergency Measures, the 2022 UWSA General Election will be held with virtual campaigning, virtual balloting, and limited in-person polling stations to accommodate the restriction of campus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These rules are designed to work in tandem with existing by-laws to which we can comply without compromising the safety of staff, volunteers, and candidates. The modified rules can be reviewed on the UWSA Elections Page on the website.
- Any candidates are requested to review the bylaws and election rules on the UWSA website before submitting their applications. Additionally, please review the UWSA Policies.