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Shawna Péloquin
President

I am a Two-Spirit Cree woman from the James Bay Cree Nation and a fourth-year student with the University of Winnipeg department of Urban and Inner-city Studies. I grew up on unceded Anishinaabe land in so-called “Senneterre, Quebec” and have been learning here on Treaty 1 Territory since January, 2017. I am a passionate advocate of social justice and a dedicated community volunteer. My lived experiences with colonialism and oppression have motivated me to continue learning, build my intersectional skills, and move towards constructive solutions. I love Winnipeg’s heart. Before becoming President of the UWSA, I had been involved in initiatives all around the inner-city. I’ve designed and built the octagonal planting pots at the University’s Langside Learning Garden with friends. I worked as the Interim Coordinator for the redeveloped Merchant’s Corner which has become a second home for me. I was the 2019-2020 UWSA Director for Urban and Inner-city studies. During the pandemic, I worked as the Point Douglas Bear Clan Coordinator until being elected as the President of the UWSA.

The undercurrent that drives me is to work towards and for a future where everyone has the freedom to be happy and the ability to grow into their authentic selves. I am grateful for all the people and the communities that have nurtured my confidence, my education, and my purpose to grow to here and I am honored to be able to give back. I am your 2020-21 UWSA President, and I will have moments of fear, uncertainty and accountability but I commit to being brave, honest, and wise to support you, your safety, and your learning experience.

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Jonathan Henderson

Vice-President of External Affairs

Tansi, Aniin, Boozhoo, and Hello! My name is Jonathan Henderson and I am a member of Sagkeeng First Nation. I have graduated with a Bachelors of Arts in Indigenous Studies, and currently working on my four-year Conflict Resolution Studies degree. I am your Vice President of External Affairs at the UWSA. I have extensive experience working in the community where I was able to develop excellent networking skills. In this position, I will bring attention to many mental health issues, and raise awareness for students to access resources and support not only from within the University, but from our community as well. I am a Co-Founder of Healing Together, which is a men's healing group. Through this initiative, we have developed many relationships with community resources in the area of mental health and support.