

UWSA BY-ELECTION 23-24

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

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UWSA THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

UWSA BY-ELECTIONS 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 Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) by emailing cec@theuwsa.ca at or before 6 PM. Thursday, September 28, 2023. Students with accessibility needs can submit a request for nomination forms in alternate formats by emailing the CEC at cec@theuwsa.ca

POSITION REQUIREMENTS

The term of office for the nominated Board of Directors is November 1, 2023, through 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.
- Provincial law mandates that to serve on a board of directors, you 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.

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.

 **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.

 **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.

 **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 POSITION

 **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.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS FOR THE 2023-2024 UWSA BY-ELECTION

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE:

- Environmental Ethics Director
- Recreation & Athletics Director
- Women, Trans & Non-Binary Students' Director
- UWSA Senator

IMPORTANT DATES, DEADLINES DURING ELECTIONS, AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

OCTOBER 2 – 13, 2023: ALL CANDIDATES TRAINING AND CAMPAIGN PREPARATION PERIOD

- **Monday, October 2 - Thursday, October 5, from 10 AM - 3 PM:**
MANDATORY Photo Days (all candidates MUST book a 15-minute session.)
- **Thursday, October 4, by 4 PM:**
DEADLINE to request assistance from the UWSA Communications team for campaign material.
- **Tuesday, October 10, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM:**
MANDATORY Election Training Day (all candidates MUST attend.)
- **Tuesday, Oct 10, by 4 PM:**
DEADLINE to submit candidate bios for the Voter's Guide. Please email your bio to the Events and Communications Manager at a.nguyen@theuwsa.ca.

OCTOBER 16 - 25, 2023: CAMPAIGN PERIOD

- **Monday, October 16 at 9 AM:**
Candidates may start to campaign and announce their candidacy.

OCTOBER 23 - 25: VOTING PERIOD

- **Monday, October 23 at 9 AM:**
VOTING BEGINS. All UofW students will be emailed their voting information.
- **Wednesday, October 25 by 6 PM:**
Final day to vote in the elections.

DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Each Board of Directors position, excluding Executive Directors, the Chair of the Board of Directors, and the Secretary of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to A one-hundred-dollar (\$100) honorarium each month over the course of their term. In order to qualify for their honorariums, Directors of the Board must:

- Attend all duly scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors, unless absence is excused;
- And attend all duly scheduled Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors unless absence is excused.

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 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, are impartial and 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 chair of the EAB 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.
- 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.