

UWSA GENERAL ELECTIONS YEAR OF 2024-2025

VOTER'S GUIDE

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VOTER'S GUIDE 2024 INFORMATION

WHEN:

Vote online and on campus on March 4-6, 2024.

*Online voting ends at 6:00 pm on March 6.

*On campus polling station closes at 4:00 pm on March 6.

WHERE TO VOTE ON CAMPUS:

Riddel Hall (411 Spence Street) from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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 on 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.

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ACCESSIBLE VOTING, APPEALS, AND COMPLAINTS

ACCESSIBLE VOTING

The Simply Voting website is compatible with screen reading technology. Students with accessibility needs or those without access to Wi-Fi can come in-person to vote in Riddell Hall from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

DIDN'T YOU 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. Your vote will be tentatively accepted until we can confirm your student status.

APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS

The Chief Elections Commissioner (CEC) and General Manager 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 about nominations, polling, and disputes between election campaign participants may be reported to the CEC at cec@theuwsa.ca.

Complaints regarding the conduct of the CEC or the General Manager may be reported directly to the chair of the Election Accountability Board (EAB) at chair@theuwsa.ca.

The Election Accountability Board is the check and balance for the CEC and General Manager. Complaints against an action or decision of the CEC and General Manager are appeals and can be submitted to the Chair of EAB at chair@theuwsa.ca. Any member of the association can also file a complaint against the CEC or General Manager, but only those parties to the original complaint can appeal a ruling of the CEC and General Manager.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **PRESIDENT**



TOMIRIS KALIYEVA FOR PRESIDENT

My name is Tomiris Kaliyeva, I'm an international student from Kazakhstan. I am the current president of the UWSA. Some of my biggest wins, amongst many others, are the period products in washrooms, the student's saver menu in Diversity, and the government's promise to reinstate international students' healthcare. I have also added games in the UWSA lounge, bringing students together. Additionally, a lot of work has been done to better security services and promote Safe Ride. If I get the honour to serve for one more year, I am planning to:

- Expand on the menstrual product initiative, putting more dispensers in gender-neutral washrooms on campus and Manitoba Hall
- Continued work in improving pricing at Diversity Foods
- Improved security, a better safe ride mechanism with less waiting times
- Lounge upgrades: new furniture, a mural to celebrate diversity on campus, and more pool tables
- More events on campus; a big roll call with more freebies
- More outlets in classrooms
- Development of a counsellor helpline for in-the-moment mental health support

Reflecting on my achievements, experience, and professionalism, I assure you that I am the best candidate for this position, and I hope for your vote!



CHRISTINE QUIAH

FOR PRESIDENT
SLATE: STUDENT ADVOCACY

Hello all, my name is Christine, and I am your current Vice President of Student Affairs. I am an international student from Bangladesh, completing my third year, majoring in Conflict Resolution and minoring in Criminal Justice. And I am delighted to announce my candidacy for President this time.

Working as your VPSA, has been as amazing as it has been chaotic. I am currently collaborating with faculties and deans to address misconduct issues. While I believe I have fulfilled most of the promises I made, I recognize there is more we can do. We have strengthened bridges and improved relationships with departments, and some of our initiatives is a success. I believe my leadership qualities will bring a different structure, and directors will be more actively engaged with incentives, making UWSA more accessible to students. We will advocate for more collaborations, being active both on and off-campus, and bringing in opportunities to assist students.

Throughout this past year, my doors have been open for students to reach out, and this will not change if you choose me as your President. I enjoy engaging in conversations and love resolving conflicts.

Stay tuned, get to know your candidates, and remember to vote!



ALAN SAJI KOSHY
FOR PRESIDENT
SLATE: THE LUMINARIES

As we let our light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence actually liberates others.” - Marianne Williamson

I am Alan Saji Koshy (He/Him), a third-year student at the University of Winnipeg, studying Physics and Philosophy. I am running for UWSA President, alongside my slate, The Luminaries, bringing every problem and its solution to light!

Having dedicated a massive part of my life to help and contribute to community, I thrive amongst people. With 500+ hours of accountable community service and volunteering, I am confident in dedicating my time for service. Having worked for the UWSA, Rec-Services and Student Recruitment, I am always of service to the students.

I am vocal and not one to be shunned away by bureaucracy or oppression. My slate reflects the same and hopes to bring a more approachable, transparent and vocal UWSA, improving on every front with divisive plans and relentless effort.

I urge everyone to come forward and vote. Your voice and your vote has the power to bring change and shape this University’s vibrant and diverse community. Let’s continue to stand together and make our voices heard!



JASHANPREET SINGH

FOR PRESIDENT
SLATE: CHANGE

In his bid for UWSA president, Jashanpreet Singh Bhari, a dedicated second-year international student, highlights his commitment to enhancing student life at the university. As the current Recreational and Athletics Director for the UWSA, Bhari has actively participated in various initiatives aimed at fostering student unity, including food drives and intermural activities.

Under his slate, “TEAM CHANGE,” Jashanpreet pledges to prioritize accessibility by ensuring a consistent supply of high-quality menstrual products and affordable food options for students. Transparency is a cornerstone of his platform, promising to provide weekly reports on UWSA’s activities, drawing inspiration from UofM’s UMSU.

Recognizing the importance of representing the diverse needs of international students, Bhari advocates for reserved seats for international students, bursaries, and U-Pass subsidies.

Additionally, his team plans to address parking concerns, advocating for flexible parking hours to accommodate students’ schedules effectively.

With a focus on unity and student engagement, Bhari and his team aim to establish open channels for communication between students and the administration. They invite the student body to vote for the “THE CHANGE” and work together towards a better university experience.



PATRICK TRUDEAU

FOR PRESIDENT

SLATE: #FORTHEFUTURE

Hello everyone! I am Patrick Trudeau. I am a Political Science major at UWinnipeg, and I am running for the position of UWSA President with my slate Diya Kapoor and Kushneet Kaur. After being a UWinnipeg student for several years, I know how important it is for everyone to have an environment to succeed academically. There is a set of issues students are facing in 2024, so I believe it is vital we make improvements to issues pertaining to security, providing products, medical care and Affordability. Each student who attends the University of Winnipeg should feel safe, which is why I will work with the UWSA to hire a retired professional who can suggest security measures which can be implemented.

Providing extensive medical resources is vital; as President, I will work to ensure that students are able to receive adequate medical treatment by establishing a helpline. Additional products for students will also be present, such as menstrual products for women.

The student experience at the University of Winnipeg should be high quality; I will work to attract more businesses to campus to ensure students have more places to eat, improving affordability through more business competition.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **VICE-PRESIDENT STUDENT AFFAIRS**



ABRAR ABDELMAHMOUD

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT STUDENT AFFAIRS
SLATE: STUDENT ADVOCACY

Hello! I am Abrar Abdelmahmoud, a fourth-year neuroscience major at the University of Winnipeg. I am excited to announce my candidacy for Vice president of student affairs. I firmly believe in my leadership abilities and I am eager to bring them forward to enhance campus life at the University of Winnipeg.

Currently, I am a research assistant in the psychology department. Beyond my involvement in research, I am a volunteer at the Immigrant and Refugee community of Manitoba where I engage and support immigrant and refugee communities.

My vision is simple: I want to breathe new energy into our campus culture. That means advocating for the establishment of more sports teams on campus, supporting student clubs to take a more active role in campus activities, and implementing mentorship programs to ensure all students have access to valuable guidance and resources.

The university years are pivotal in shaping our lives and looking back we should cherish positive memories of our experiences on campus. With your support, I am confident we can create a campus community that thrives on inclusivity, engagement, and support for all its members. So please vote for me, Abrar Abdelmahmoud as your next vice president of student affairs.



DIVYANSHI KAPOOR

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT STUDENT AFFAIRS

SLATE: #FORTHEFUTURE

As your Vice President, I, Diya Kapoor, a 2nd-year business student, along with my slate Patrick Trudeau and Khushneet Kaur, vow to support you beyond academics. We as a team have to offer career clarity via seminars and 50+ financial literacy sessions have already been done with our network of 20+ banks and firms.

Our goal is that every graduating student has wealth-building wisdom. We've also already established a 24/7 immigration helpline for international students on instagram. While we can't promise sudden fee reductions or new cafes, here's what's your future looks like - Don't worry about purchasing textbooks you got access to online PDFs. You have access to health helpline assistance where a nurse walks to you, be it for menstrual cramps or anxiety. Pretty ladies have non-expired menstrual products in all campus washrooms in a cute basket. You are included in the university lottery grant system, funded smartly from the university's budget. Simplified U-pass opt-out conditions. You have invitations to social and networking events at UofM. And There is a lot more which couldn't be fit into 200 words.



PARTH KAUSHIK

**FOR VICE-PRESIDENT STUDENT AFFAIRS
SLATE: CHANGE**

Parth Kaushik, a current UWSA Senator and an international student, is vying for the role of Vice President Student Affairs. His decision stemmed from a crucial observation: the disconnect between the current leadership and UWSA Senators, a key aspect outlined in the bylaws. With a profound understanding of governance acquired through his Senate experience, Parth is poised to fill this gap, ensuring effective coordination and representation.

Central to Parth's vision is student accountability. His slate pledges regular office hours for directors and executives to facilitate direct student engagement, fostering transparency and responsiveness within the student government. Parth and his Slate advocates for various student-centric initiatives, including improving access to menstrual products, expanding scholarship opportunities, subsidizing Peggo cards, introducing flexible parking options, and implementing affordable meal plans.

Driven by a commitment to student welfare, Parth and his team stand as advocates for positive change. They promise proactive and inclusive leadership, dedicated to addressing student concerns and enhancing the overall student experience.

Let's Vote for THE CHANGE.

INSTAGRAM: @parthkaushikk



ARUNDHATTI MUTHU

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT STUDENT AFFAIRS
SLATE: THE LUMINARIES

“Just as one candle lights another and can light thousands of other candles, so one heart illuminates another heart and can illuminate thousands of other hearts” - Leo Tolstoy

Hello everyone! I am Arundhatti Muthu. I am running for the position of Vice President of Student Affairs and I am part of The Luminaries slate. Our slate illuminates the issues for the students.

I am a fourth year business student majoring in accounting and international business. I aim to enlighten students on them as well as help them navigate through them. I would also strive to make procedures and policies transparent to everyone.

I have always been someone who helps in any way I can and I believe my exposure to different perspectives has made me more adept. I would love to see the university grow beyond its current stage and improve the student life of many who choose our university.

I urge everyone to vote. Please consider us and our ideas. Your voice and your vote has the power to bring change and shape this University's vibrant and diverse community. Let's continue to stand together and make our united voice heard!

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**



ABDELRAHMAN ABDELMEGUID FOR VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SLATE: STUDENT ADVOCACY

Greetings, everyone!

I am Abdelrahman Abdelmeguid, also known as Abdo, an Egyptian international student pursuing a major in business and administration in my third year. My professional journey has led me through the realms of marketing and sales, where I've cultivated a strategic mindset akin to that of a seasoned salesman.

My experiences have granted me a profound understanding of the university system, allowing me to identify key areas for improvement in students' overall experience. Having navigated challenges in my initial year, I recognize the significance of a holistic student life. Known for my commitment, not only evident in my regular presence at the gym but also in my dedication to fostering diversity and creativity within our academic community.

I am eager to bring forth my energy and knowledge as your prospective VPEA, dedicated to enhancing your university experience. I humbly seek your support, as your vote is essential for me to contribute meaningfully to our academic community.



SAURAV DHAND (SHERRY)

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SLATE: CHANGE

Meet Saurav Dhand, a candidate for UWSA Vice President External Affairs with Team Change! He's passionate about ensuring every student at the University of Winnipeg feels included and heard. Serving as the Vice President of the Indian Student Association, Saurav is dedicated to uniting people and ensuring everyone's voice counts.

Despite being in his second year studying computer science, Saurav understands the diverse needs of students and aims to provide equal opportunities and access to resources for all. With Team Change, he emphasizes transparency, responsiveness, and accountability within the student government.

Saurav prioritizes celebrating diversity and advocating for the needs of international students. He believes in providing support, such as transit assistance and reserved seating, to ensure they feel valued and included on campus.

Vote for progress and unity with Saurav and "TEAM CHANGE", as they strive to create an inclusive campus environment where every student can thrive.



CHHAVI DHIR

**FOR VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
SLATE: THE LUMINARIES**

Hello! I am Chhavi Dhir (She/Her), a third-year international student, pursuing BA Psychology. I am excited to announce my candidacy for Vice President External Affairs alongside my slate The Luminaries. I am actively involved in the community by being part of various student groups, being the UWSA Emerging Leader Director, International Student Mentor, Resident Advisor, Peer wellness Educator and working with Sexual Violence Response Team. With these positions, I have dedicated myself to supporting peers in navigating mental health challenges and promoting well-being through workshops, events, and one-on-one interactions.

I'm proud of spearheading the annual Gala for International students, providing a platform for cultural diversity, and fostering community engagement, exemplifying my commitment to creating a supportive environment where all students are valued and included. Through this, I've gained insights into university and student association policies, aiming to implement and amend them to ensure accountability to students.

If elected, I will fight for better resources, reducing tuition, healthcare, mental health resources, better student/study spaces, and increase support/opportunities for students. I believe in collaboration and inclusivity and, commitment to fostering a supportive, safe, inclusive, and empowering environment. Your vote has the power to bring change, so let us make our voices heard.



KHUSHNEET KAUR

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SLATE: #FORTHEFUTURE

I'm Khushneet Kaur, a third-year biochemistry student with aspirations for medicine I am running for the position of Vice President External Affairs under the #forthefuture slate along Diya and Patrick. Our primary goal is to transition from the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) to the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA). Let me break down the difference between the two:

Currently, CFS charges \$165k/year, while CASA charges \$90k/year. Switching to CASA would save students approximately \$50,000 while offering better coverage through Blue Cross health plans compared to Green Shield. CASA also boasts a larger lobby week than CFS, providing more opportunities for executives to advocate for student interests with federal politicians.

With the savings, we plan to support student groups, creating more on-campus job opportunities. Additionally, we're committed to providing free menstrual products in every washroom, hosting podcasts with guest speakers from various professions to help students clarify their career goals. Our initiatives extend to free financial literacy and immigration advising sessions through the Alliance of Business Chambers, leveraging our connections with Canadian associations and licensed immigration advisors.

I urge you to vote for the future. Your support ensures we fulfill every promise made, shaping a brighter tomorrow together.
Thank you.



MELODY OLOWO

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Greetings UWinnipeg! My name is Melody Olowo, a second-year student pursuing a major in business and economics born and raised in Lagos, Nigeria.

I am attuned to the unspoken challenges faced by fellow international students and non international students, recognizing their potential impact on their overall well-being and mental health.

With my understanding and commitment to positive change, I offer to serve as Vice President of External Affairs. My advocacy centres on amplifying the voices of marginalised students, both within and beyond the institutional boundaries. I aspire to foster an inclusive and supportive environment that prioritises student wellness and offer a voice that speaks for you and create room for you to be heard.

If entrusted with this role, I pledge to make every student feel welcomed, heard and seen. Let's cultivate a community where each member is valued.

I require your trust and your vote to make this into reality.

Thank you

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **ACCESSIBILITY DIRECTOR**



MAHAVIR PARTAP SINGH FOR ACCESSIBILITY DIRECTOR

Hi, I'm Mahavir Partap Singh, a third-year international student at the University of Winnipeg, pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Applied Computer Science. I consider myself an optimistic, generous, and friendly individual.

With the privilege of having friends from diverse backgrounds across the university and around the world, coupled with my experience in the Customer Service industry, I believe I am well-suited for the position of Accessibility Director. Whatever I pursue, I try to give it my all. And now, I want to make a change. A change in our surroundings, making it a better and more accessible place for everyone.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **ARTS DIRECTOR**



FARWA AWAN FOR ARTS DIRECTOR

Farwa Awan is a Human Rights student, minoring in Women and Gender studies. Previously being a science student, Farwa found her true passion in the arts. This passion led her to enroll in the Human Rights program, to hopefully pursue a career in law. Helping people has always been a core part of Farwa's values and that reflects in what she is studying as well. Farwa is always ready to promote the Human rights program when she can with the Global College Student Advisory Council (GCSAC).

Farwa is also an executive member of The University of Winnipeg Rotaract Club. The Rotaract club which stems from the larger organization Rotary International prides itself on helping youth learn leadership skills and providing service to those in need. Career-wise artistic creativity also flows, as she is a beauty advisor at Sephora outside of her university life. Arts students are just as important as any other faculty because we study the world through many different lenses. Vote for Farwa Awan as your UWSA Arts Director if you wish to have your voice heard and be given more opportunities for yourself to grow as a student in the Faculty of Arts.



PREET SURKHAB SINGH BIRING

FOR ARTS DIRECTOR

Preet Surkhab Singh Biring, an international student hailing from India and currently in his first year of studies at the University of Winnipeg, proudly announces his candidacy for the UWSA Arts Director position. With a passion for the arts and a commitment to student advocacy, Preet aims to represent the diverse voices and concerns of his fellow students within the university's vibrant arts community.

Prior to his studies at UWinnipeg, Preet was actively involved in student activities and community services in his home country. These experiences have instilled in him a strong sense of civic responsibility and a dedication to serving the needs of his peers.

As a candidate for UWSA Arts Director, Preet is committed to amplifying student voices and ensuring that their concerns are heard and addressed by the arts department. He believes that students should have a meaningful say in decision-making processes that directly impact their academic experience. Through open communication, collaboration, and transparency.

If elected, Preet will work tirelessly to bridge the gap between students and the arts department, fostering a supportive and inclusive environment where creativity thrives and every student feels empowered to pursue their artistic passions.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTOR**



OLADAYO ADENIJI FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTOR

Oladayo Daniel Adeniji is an aspiring business analyst, currently cutting his teeth at the Faculty of Business and Economics. He is an astute professional whose interests lie in the deployment of his expertise and experience both corporately and publicly in supporting the growth of organizations, building systems that endure, and working towards the achievement of set goals and objectives.

Oladayo commenced his growth in Nigeria, where he had his primary and high school education and other professional attainments. He racked up experience working directly with foremost organizations and institutions on a paid and volunteer basis. With parents who are staunch politicians, Oladayo delved early into the political space by volunteering in campaigns, election coordination, and not-for-profit entities. These would eventually fortify his desire for service to humanity and his willingness to collaborate with like minds for noble causes.

With a strong belief in the vision of UWSA, Oladayo's goal is to represent the Faculty of Business and Economics as a Director with effective leadership, accountability, and trust by ensuring robust faculty engagement, inclusivity, strategic engagement with stakeholders in the interest of FBE, and better input on the UWSA Board. Oladayo is here to serve and here to make a difference.



SAHIL LEKHI

FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTORS

Hello, I am Sahil Lekhi, a second-year, Accounting major at the University of Winnipeg, passionate about sports and actively involved in student group activities. I firmly believe in the mantra that leaders are made, not born.

Future Plans:

- Free Space Reservation: Ensure free space availability for business student events on the main campus.
- Leadership Conference: Bring student leadership conferences to campus.
- Career Mentorship: Establish mentorship programs for business students.
- Career Fairs: more career fairs for students' benefit.

Previous Achievements/Experiences:

- Enhanced communication between business student groups and the UWSA, making interactions more accessible.
- I have supported academic research by collaborating with the University of Winnipeg's library to enable students to publish their work at higher levels.
- Served on the Board of Directors, contributing to the Finance and By-Law Committees.
- Became the first member of the UWSA Audit Committee, highlighting a commitment to transparency and accountability.

Vote Sahil Lekhi for UWSA Business and Economics Director - Together, let's shape a brighter future for the business community at the University of Winnipeg!



MAHIR MULCHANDANI
FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTOR

I am Mahir Mulchandani, and I'm thrilled to present my candidacy for the role of Business and Economics Director. Currently in my second year, pursuing a degree in Economics and Finance, I am eager to embrace new challenges and contribute to the growth of our academic community.

My active involvement in various student groups has instilled in me a deep appreciation for teamwork and collaboration. Drawing from my experiences, I understand the importance of dedication and unity in achieving our goals.

I promise to work for the interests of the Faculty of Business and Economics and maintain academic excellence at this institution.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I am excited about the opportunity to serve as your Business and Economics Director and contribute to the advancement of our department



RICHEL SALDANHA
FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTOR

Hi everyone, I am Richel Saldanha. I am in the first year of my undergrad for business administration in international business. I am running for the position of business and economics director. My goal is to listen to the concerns that students have regarding campus life, studies and resources. I plan to address these concerns to the best of my ability to improve campus life and make university more easier.

I also want to be able to host more workshops such as resume writing or taxation which is truly crucial for each student to know about. I believe each one of us would love more events that will help us take a break once in a while, make more friends and have fun at the university, so I hope to be able to host fun events that will bring us all together.

I would like to get this opportunity so that I can make a meaningful impact on student's lives and challenge myself to work hard for the future of the university. Thank you for considering me for this position.



DEBASHISH SARKAR

FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS DIRECTORS

I am Debashish Sarkar, and I'm excited to announce my candidacy for the position of Business and Economics Director. I am currently in my 3rd year majoring in accounting, and I am eager to take on new challenges and opportunities.

I offer a profound interest in business and economics, as well as a strong dedication to creating a stimulating and supportive academic environment for my peers. I have always displayed leadership and initiative in both classroom and extracurricular activities. As a student passionately interested in the study of business and economics, I am aware of the department's particular difficulties and opportunities, and I am committed to advocating for our students' needs and interests.

I am excited to collaborate closely with faculty, staff, and students to implement initiatives that improve the educational experience, promote professional development opportunities, and foster a sense of community in our department. If given this position, I am determined to be a dedicated and effective medium for the needs of all business and economics students, seeking to have a meaningful and long-term impact on our academic community. I believe that by working together and supporting one another, we can achieve great things and make a positive impact on our perspectives of business.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **EMERGING LEADER DIRECTOR**



RAHUL KANWAL BRAR FOR EMERGING LEADER DIRECTOR

Rahul Kanwal Brar, an international student from Punjab currently in his third year of studies at UWinnipeg is a candidate for the UWSA Emerging Leader Director position. Rahul takes pleasure in serving the community and is passionate about community building. He has been actively involved in student activities and community services in his hometown. He currently serves as the President of Indian Student Association (ISA) and UWSA Senator.

Representing the concerns of the University of Winnipeg students to UWSA is a top priority for him as Emerging Leader Director. He aims to provide students with a platform to express their opinions and participate in decision-making processes that impact their academic and social experience at the university.



KARANINDER SINGH DELOW FOR EMERGING LEADER DIRECTOR

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DIRECTOR**



TARIQ AHMAD

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

I, Tariq Ahmad am a first-year student studying at the University of Winnipeg, pursuing a bachelor of business administration degree.

I am running to be the next International Students Director. I always meet and greet people with grace. I'm a good communicator, hence help everyone by listening and solving their problems. As an international student, I know the hardships and threats for them and want them to get the greatest exposure and experience of their life.

The goal is to bring a mandatory change toward a better standard of living.

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- Instagram: [tariq.waseem_](#)



DHRUV GUPTA

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DIRECTOR



ROBINJEET SINGH

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DIRECTOR

Robinjeet Singh, a dedicated international student from Punjab, India, is currently pursuing BSc ACS at the University of Winnipeg. In his second year of studies, Robin is motivated to address challenges faced by International Students. Passionate about creating a supportive environment, he is running for the position of International Students' Director.

In this role, Robin aims to effectively represent the unique interests of international students to the UWSA Board of Directors. Collaborating with the UWSA Executive, he seeks to advocate for these interests within the university by building support groups that will provide mentorship and general help to students.

With firsthand knowledge of the challenges faced by international students, Robin envisions building strong connections with relevant student groups and associations. His goal is to ensure a holistic representation and support system for the diverse international student community.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **2SLGBTQ* STUDENTS' DIRECTOR**



MUSKAN VHORA FOR 2SLGBTQ* STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

Hello. My name is Muskan Vhora (she/her).

I'm in my second year of BA in English, and running to be the UWSA Director of 2SLGBTQ* Students. I am actively involved in various campus activities, including volunteering as a writer for The Uniter, serving as an ambassador with the Indian Students' Association, and actively participating in the Queer Students' Association and Women's Gender Studies Students Association.

UW has been a place of incredible growth and learning for me, providing me with a supportive community, and I am eager to give back by serving on the UWSA Board of Directors. My commitment is to work diligently for the interests of queer students and to explore additional avenues for inclusivity within our community.

"DIVERSITY IS BEING INVITED TO THE PARTY. INCLUSION IS BEING ASKED TO DANCE." - Vernā Myers

In a world that often boxes us in, I proudly embrace my identity as a bisexual person of color. Queerness is a beautiful tapestry of human experience, and I am committed to normalizing it. At my core, I believe everyone, regardless of their sexual orientation or identity, should feel accepted and valued. My aim is to strengthen inclusivity for 2SLGBTQ* students at UW. Thanks!

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **PART-TIME/MATURE STUDENTS' DIRECTOR**



HARMANDEEP GHATAURA FOR PART-TIME/MATURE STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

Hello, I am Harmandeep Ghataura, and I'm thrilled to announce my candidacy for the position of Part-Time/Mature Students Director. With a major in Criminal Justice and a genuine passion for creating an inclusive and supportive environment, I'm excited about the opportunity to represent the part-time and mature students.

My journey as a part-time student has provided me with firsthand experience into the challenges that many students face. Also having previously served on the Board of Directors, I understand the broader university dynamics and how policies can impact our diverse student body. If elected, I'm committed to implementing initiatives that enhance your university experience. I'm here to ensure that every student's voice is heard and valued. With your support, I aim to create a supportive community where every part-time and mature student succeeds academically and personally.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **RACIALIZED STUDENTS' DIRECTOR**



TIOLUWALASE ELIZABETH AJIBOLA (LIZ) FOR RACIALIZED STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

Hello everyone, I'm Elizabeth Ajibola, a 3rd year student running for the Racialized Students Director position.

As an advocate for diversity, equality, and a racialized student myself, I am committed to creating an environment where every student's voice is heard and amplified. My goal is to foster a community where racialized students from diverse backgrounds feel empowered, represented, and adequately supported.

I believe transparency and accountability are crucial in any leadership role. I hope to keep you informed about my actions, listen to your concerns, and work diligently with other leaders to address them.

I plan to work closely with student organizations to address issues such as racial inequality, cultural insensitivity, and discrimination on our campus. Together, we can break down barriers and create a university experience that reflects the warmth of our diverse student body. If that's something you'd like to see on campus, then I'm the right gal for the job!

Kindly vote Elizabeth Ajibola for Racialized Students Director!

Thank you for your consideration,

Liz.



PARTHO SARKAR

FOR RACIALIZED STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

Hello, I'm Partho Sarkar, and I'm excited to run for Racialized Student Director at The University of Winnipeg. Being a racial student, I know the significance of having a voice on campus. Currently studying International Business in my 2nd year, I am actively involved in promoting diversity, equity, and social justice on campus. I have a deep understanding of the challenges faced by racialized students and aim to address these issues directly.

If elected, I will advocate for racialized students, support their access to resources, and promote mental health initiatives. I believe in creating a more inclusive university community. If you want a committed individual to make a difference on campus, consider me for Racialized Student Director. Let's work together for a more equitable university community. Thank you for your consideration. Let's vote for change.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **RECREATION AND ATHLETICS DIRECTOR**



LAVMEET SINGH FOR RECREATION AND ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

Hello everyone! My name is Lavmeet Singh, and I am honored to announce my candidacy for the position of Recreation and Athletic Director in the upcoming UWSA general elections. With a deep passion for promoting physical well-being and fostering a sense of community through recreational activities, I am excited to share my vision for enhancing the recreational experience on campus.

As Recreation and Athletic Director, my primary goal is to create an inclusive and vibrant environment that encourages active participation from all students. I envision a campus where every individual feels empowered to pursue their wellness goals, whether through organized sports, fitness classes, or recreational events.

Furthermore, I am dedicated to fostering collaboration with student clubs, faculty, and community partners to maximize resources and create a comprehensive recreational program that enriches the student experience at UWSA.

Together, let's create a healthier, more connected campus community. Vote Lavmeet Singh for Recreation and Athletic Director, and let's make our vision a reality!

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **COMMUNITY LIAISON DIRECTOR**



KRUPA JOSHI FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON DIRECTOR

Empowering communities through collaboration and service is my guiding principle. As a dedicated 2nd-year BBA student at the University of Winnipeg, I am Krupa Joshi—a passionate advocate for positive change. Currently vying for the position of Community Liaison Director, my journey is defined by active engagement in various community initiatives.

As a proud member of AIESEC Manitoba, serving as a TM (Team Management), I thrive in fostering cross-cultural understanding and leadership development. My commitment extends beyond the academic realm, as I believe in the transformative power of collective efforts.

Driven by the belief that real change begins at the grassroots level, I actively participate in community activities, working to create an inclusive and supportive environment for all. With a heart dedicated to service and a mind focused on building bridges, I am excited about the opportunity to contribute my skills and passion to the betterment of our community as the Community Liaison Director.



HARLEEN KAUR DEOL

FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON DIRECTOR

Greetings! I am Harleen Kaur Deol an international student, entering my second year this spring in Bachelor of Business and Administration at UWinnipeg. I have always been enthusiastic about serving the community in every way possible. I was a professional athlete competing for 4 years back in my hometown and did volunteer duty on the position of Community Leader in High School for about 2 years. I am excited to announce my candidacy for the position of Community Liaison Director.

My duty as Community Liaison Director would be to represent the matters of community and student groups to the board and try to provide better relationships among the students, community and student groups. With 4 years of experience in sports leadership and community engagement back in my hometown, I'm dedicated to using my time and given resources in teamwork and collaboration to build the bridge between the local Community, Student groups and the University. I will try my best to get things done in favor of both Community and Students. I very much appreciate you considering me for this important position.



HARSIMRAN SADIOURA

FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON DIRECTOR

I am Harsimran Sadioura, and I am passionate about being a community liaison director. This position allows me to contribute back to the community. My goal as a community liaison director is to bring positive change to the community of our university.

I aim to make this university an even greater place, by creating empowerment among students. My goal is to create inclusive workshops among students so they can contribute their thoughts in the best interest of students. I aim to promote and engage in charity events, for the welfare of our community. While also collaborating with outside of university social organizations, to further the outreach to help them. Which will help create a safer and greater environment in our university.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS DIRECTOR**



NAVREEN KAUR
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS DIRECTOR



ARSHDEEP SINGH JASSAL
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS DIRECTOR

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **SCIENCE DIRECTOR**



MUHAMMED AYYAN FOR SCIENCE DIRECTOR

Hey everyone, my name is Muhammad Ayyan and I am running for the position of Science director. I am an international student from Pakistan. I am currently in my second-year majoring in biochemistry, and I aspire to become a dentist. If given the opportunity, my aim will be to increase opportunities for all STEM majors on campus.

I want to build a community that thrives on innovation and is eager to cause scientific revolution. If elected, I plan on working closely with the presidents of all science student groups on campus, to bring more opportunities and events for our students, both on and off campus.

I strictly believe that everyone deserves opportunities in their respective fields, and so I want to make science accessible to everyone who aspires to do anything related to science. As a student if you have any concerns or inquiries or want something specific science related on campus, I will try my best to help you out and incorporate your requests. Thank You!



MOHAMMED SHEHERYAR MOUZAM

FOR SCIENCE DIRECTOR

Hi. My name is Sheheryar (شہریار/शहरीयार) which means friend of the city (and I mean it for EVERYONE)

I am a 2nd-year Pre-Medicine (Neuroscience) student minoring in International-Development. I was born in Saudi-Arabia originating from India. My interests are humanitarian-welfare & public-speaking.

Why me as a science director?

I work as a TA in the Psychology-department, Biology Lab-Demonstrator, and International-Student-Services Mentor. I also Tutor for Aboriginal-Student-Services. I additionally research for the Chemistry-department.

This connected me to various science departments which will help implement my manifesto and ideas.

I am the Founding-President of the Rotaract-Club, I was a part of the UW-Muslim Student-Association. I am also the Global-College-Advisory-Council Treasurer. **I recently became the UW-Pre-Med Society External-Affairs manager.** These experiences are an asset as a director while being proficient with UWSA.

My plans as a science-director?

1. Advocate for co-op opportunities for all BSc. undergraduates
2. Introduce programs to help students wanting to get into Medicine, Dentistry, etc.
3. Enhance accessibility between campus-west (Richardson) and Main-campus.
4. Provide support to science student groups to make student life more happening.

I love knowing cultures & meeting new people so reach out with any questions.

Instagram:@sheheryarmouzzz

Excited to meet y'all. See you at the voting-booths!



SAMARJEET SINGH

FOR SCIENCE DIRECTOR

Samarjeet Singh, an international student from India, is running for the Science Director position, bringing a fresh perspective and boundless enthusiasm to the table. With a passion for improving student experiences, Samar is determined to make a positive impact within the university community.

As Science Director, Samar plans to create more research groups covering various topics, encouraging students to dive deeper into their scientific interests outside of regular coursework. He wants to ensure that students have a say in university matters and aims to organize workshops where industry experts can share their insights, providing invaluable guidance and inspiration to students. These workshops will not only help students gain practical knowledge but also enable them to network with professionals, opening doors to exciting career opportunities.

Samar is committed to promptly addressing any challenges students face, making sure their voices are heard and valued. With Samar at the helm, students can expect a more engaging and enriching university experience.



ABHIJIT SINGH

FOR SCIENCE DIRECTOR

My name is Abhijit Singh, and I am a full-time biochemistry major at the University of Winnipeg. I am running for the science director position to improve communication between students, clubs and the field they aim to be in, a key factor many science students lack for achieving their academic aspirations. I aim to bridge the gap between the science student body and their respective fields by providing opportunities for clinical and research experience.

Having personally sought clinical experience and hands-on work throughout my academic journey, I understand the significance of practical knowledge in the scientific field, especially as a pre-med student. Now, I wish to use my skills to support my peers.

I am dedicated to maintaining a sense of community within the science department, creating connections between students and clubs to create a supportive environment. With my enthusiasm for science and commitment to building a welcoming and kind community, I am confident in my ability to serve as a liaison between students and faculty, contributing to a vibrant educational environment for all.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **STUDENT LIVING DIRECTOR**



ARYAN SHARMA FOR STUDENT LIVING DIRECTOR

As a first-year student at UOW, I am actively pursuing a degree in Applied Computer Science. Despite being in my initial year, my dedication and motivation position me as a promising candidate for the role of Student Living Director.

The Student Living Director plays a pivotal role in overseeing and enhancing the residential experience for students. This position requires strong leadership skills to create a positive and inclusive living environment. With a genuine interest in cultivating a positive living experience for my fellow first-year students, I aspire to bring a blend of fresh ideas and enthusiasm, drawing upon my background in Applied Computer Science to enhance the residential community.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATE FOR: **WOMEN, TRANS AND NON-BINARY STUDENTS' DIRECTOR**



HARLEEN KAUR

FOR WOMEN, TRANS AND NON-BINARY STUDENTS' DIRECTOR

I am a second year student at the University of Winnipeg. I am a Criminal Justice major who aspires to make a positive impact for all of us on the campus.

I'm running for women, trans, and non-binary students director because I'm passionate about amplifying voices often marginalised. I want to ensure that all women, trans, and non-binary students feel represented and supported.

Here's what I aim to achieve:

Quality Menstrual Products: Ensure access to high quality menstrual products across campus.

Enhanced Support Services: I intend to collaborate with campus organisations to organise workshops and events that address important issues such as gender-based violence, mental health, and intersectionality.

Promoting Visibility: Increase representation in campus leadership, academics, and activities.

Together, let's create a campus where everyone can thrive. I'm committed to listening to your concerns and working collaboratively to make meaningful changes.

Thank you for your consideration.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **UWSA REGENTS**



TEGVEER SINGH MARAHAR FOR UWSA REGENTS

Tegveer Singh Marahar, an international student from India currently in his second year of studies at UWinnipeg, is vying for the position of Regent. Tegveer takes pride in serving the community and holds a deep passion for fitness. He has actively engaged in student activities and community services in his hometown.

Tegveer is committed to representing the concerns of the University of Winnipeg students to the Board of Regents. He aims to establish a platform for students to voice their opinions and actively participate in decision-making processes that directly impact their academic experience at the university.



HIMANSHU TANDON FOR UWSA REGENTS

GET TO KNOW YOUR CANDIDATES FOR: **UWSA SENATORS**



MOHAMMED ARQAM NAVEED
FOR UWSA SENATORS



SOBAN FAIZ
FOR UWSA SENATORS

Soban (he/him) is currently a third-year student at the University of Winnipeg and is pursuing the Bachelor of Business Administration honours degree.

Over the years Soban has served in a variety of roles to address the environment such as being a leader in his school's environmental ethics committee, as well as being apart of a body in his high school that encouraged the administration to address its carbon footprint as well to encourage recycling.

Soban has also recently served as a UWSA Senator and maintained full attendance in all senate meetings, pitching in and speaking out for students specifically to address inclusiveness for all students at the University of Winnipeg. Be it big or small our actions matter.

Follow Soban's Instagram at @sobanforuofw for more information and to receive updates on upcoming projects.

Campaign Catchphrase: Be it Big or Small our Actions Matter



PRIYANSHU MITTAL

FOR UWSA SENATORS

Priyanshu Mittal is a dedicated first-year international student pursuing a BSc in Applied Computer Science at the University of Winnipeg. He is passionate about serving his community and has been active in many student organizations and community service projects. As a part-time customer service representative, he understands the importance of effective communication and advocacy.

With his diverse background and experiences, he is well-equipped to represent the concerns of University of Winnipeg students as a UWSA Senator. He will have the opportunity to address academic appeals as well as other issues that impacts students' academic experiences. He is committed to providing students with a platform to voice their opinions and actively participate in decision-making processes that impact their university journey.

Vote for him as your UWSA Senator to ensure that your concerns are heard and represented effectively at the highest levels of university governance. Together, let's work towards a more inclusive and student-centered campus community.



PRAGUN RAJ AUL

FOR UWSA SENATORS

Hello everyone ,My name is Pragun Raj Aul , I am an international student studying in my first year of Applied Computer Science . Candidate for the UWSA Senator position.

I am committed to listening to your concerns and working tirelessly to address them. Let's move forward with innovation and progress for all. My vision is to create opportunities and prosperity for every student . I will be a strong voice for our students, fighting for what matters most to you. It's time for fresh leadership and bold ideas to tackle our challenges head-on. I stand for unity, not division, bringing people together for a stronger community. With your support, we can make positive changes that will benefit all of us in university.



PUNEET SHARMA
FOR UWSA SENATORS



KARAN SINGH
FOR UWSA SENATORS

My name is Karan ,first year student in the UWinnipeg.I am standing for the position for the senator. Here is my bio for the General Election.

A contender for the UWSA Senator post is Karan Singh, an international student from India who is presently enrolled in his first year of study at UWinnipeg. Karan is enthusiastic about fitness and enjoys helping the community. In his hometown, he has taken an active part in community service projects and student activities.

As a UWSA Senator, he places a high premium on representing the concerns of University of Winnipeg students in the Senate. His main area of concentration is academic appeals and other academic matters that might have been disregarded because of open posts.

With this platform, he hopes to give students a voice in matters pertaining to their university education and to engage them in decision-making processes.

Thank you.



MANDEEP SINGH NANREH

FOR UWSA SENATORS

Mandeep Singh Nanreh, a dynamic and ambitious first-year student at the University of Winnipeg, is vying for the position of UWSA Senator. Currently pursuing a BSc in Applied Computer Science, Mandeep brings a fresh perspective and a passion for making a positive impact within our university community. Committed to fostering a collaborative and inclusive environment, Mandeep is dedicated to representing the diverse voices of fellow students. Vote for Mandeep to advocate for innovation, inclusivity, and student well-being at the heart of our university.



ANOISHA ZAFAR

FOR UWSA SENATORS

Anoisha Zafar, an international student from Pakistan currently in her second year of studies at UWinnipeg, is a candidate for the UWSA Senator position. Anoisha takes pleasure in serving the community and is passionate about fitness. She has been actively involved in student activities and community services in her hometown. Representing the concerns of the University of Winnipeg students to the Senate is a top priority for her as a UWSA Senator.

She is primarily focused on addressing academic appeals and other academic issues that may have been overlooked due to vacant positions. She aims to provide students with a platform to express their opinions and participate in decision-making processes that impact their academic experience at the university.

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