

Student Union Elections: March 26th-30th

VP Academic



Bethany Vail

Fellow students,

My name is Bethany Vail and I am running for Vice President Academic of the Student Union. I am a second year business student who has a great passion for helping this campus and improving student life, which is why I am running for this position. The by-laws state that it is the job of the Vice President Academic is to ensure communication between the student union council with the university senate. Now you may be asking yourself, "What is senate?" Senate is where the most important decisions of the university are made. For example when you graduate, your name needs to be approved by senate. When the education program was re-wired, it had to be approved by senate.

I believe I am the best suited to be your VP Academic because I have experience as both a senator and as a member of student union council. I also have leadership experience as a redshirt. I have worked with prior years VP Academics and I have a strong knowledge of what is required and what can be carried forward. I have worked on academic committees through senate and have gained knowledge and experience numerous areas, like academic planning. This upcoming year I would like to get as many students as possible involved in committees. I believe that with encouragement and support we can get more students aware and interested in how our university works.

The bottom line is, I am student with the same concerns as you. As we hear more and more about the grim future for universities, it is important to stand up and make a difference. I ask you to make that difference with me. Let's make sure our voices do not go unheard.

Please email me at bethany.vail@unb.ca with any questions or concerns.

VP External



Jordan Graham

My name's Jordan Graham and I'm running to be your VP External. I've got no room for hype, so let's get to business. The VP-EX deals with everything outside the university. That being said:

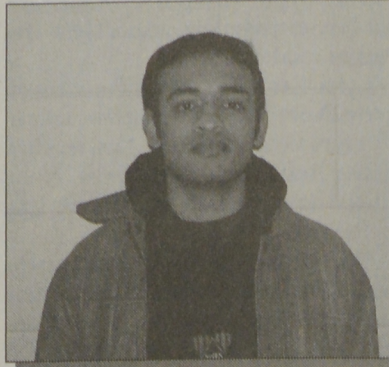
Federally, I would ensure our participation with CASA (Canadian Alliance of Student Associations) continues and is effective. This is where we lobby to the Fed's and make sure they know what we're thinking. This is done through research, policy development, media stunts and a lobby conference on Parliament Hill, where we actually meet face-to-face with key decision makers. One thing I will be fighting hard for is a dedicated transfer to the provinces for Post-Secondary Education. Currently, funds are taken from the same pot that other federally funded-Provincially operated programs are allocated money from, and students' usually get the leftovers. This has got to change. We need to be a priority.

Provincially, I will be working closely with NBSA (New Brunswick Students Association), which is similar to CASA. I'm prepared to work tirelessly to deliver a year in which the Provincial government recognizes enthusiastically that NBSA has a voice, and it's yours. The first thing I want to lobby against provincially is Bill 39, An Act to Amend the Tuition Tax Cash Back Credit Act. The provincial government wants to make it only available to students that graduated from NB High School. Secondly, I want to lobby for a tuition reduction, not a freeze. Freezes are bad- did I mention I don't like freezes? Tuition freezes end up hurting students in the long run. Under a freeze, the tuition of international students is unprotected. This makes them take the hit. As a representative of ALL students at UNB, I won't allow that to happen. Secondly, freezes are patch work policies that resolve nothing, and when they're lifted, the increase could be 12-14%. Who wants a jump of 14% on their tuition? Not me, not you.

Finally in my municipal portfolio, I'll see that we, in collaboration with St. Thomas University's Students Union fights for a Peadway. There's no excuse for lost lives and we need to get the City moving on this one. Secondly, I want to improve recycling in apartments. Fredericton or your landlords should provide Blue Boxes and paper-pickups. The environment is everyone's responsibility.

Changes are mandatory, progress is optional. Want progress? Vote Jordan Graham as Vice-President External.

VP External



Ranbir Randhawa

Hello my fellow students. Like most of the students, I am personally sick and tired with all the politics being played in the union and the disassociation of the union from the students. As VP External I plan to make us some money through sponsorships and more government funding so that you students don't have the pay all of the ridiculous extra fees. I have some ideas that can make the student union some much needed money. I am a firm believer in positive thinking and I know that every problem has a solution. Let me help you transform the student union from a politically charged, financially broke and undesired organization to a more desired student run organization that is actually serving the needs of the students.

Vote in your e-services from March 26th-30th

VP Student Services



Tyler MacFadzen

Hello student body! My name is Tyler MacFadzen, and I'm hoping to be your next VP of Student Services. I'm a fourth year History/Pol Sci double major (Philosophy minor), with one year left to complete my degree; a year in which I also hope to revitalize the relationship between the student union and the student population. We've reached a point of record low voter turnouts with wide spread skepticism about the actual role of the student union among the student population; a problem I hope to remedy.

I have two main goals if elected: the first is to bridge the communication gap between the student population and their elected SU officials; and the second is ensure that each student gets their money's worth out of their SU fees. These two issues I believe go hand in hand, as there are already a host of services available to students, but the majority of students don't know what they are, or how to get them. On this note, I plan to hold bi-weekly forums for students to directly bring their concerns to the executive, so we can make sure what we do is exactly what students want. I also plan to increase the number of entertainment events held on campus, integrating student talent into as many shows as possible. Furthermore, I will aid in lobbying the Federal government for an increase in education transfer payments, more funding for 'the Pillar' newspaper, and more funding for programs which exemplify UNB's academic position on an International level.

Aside from school, I'm actively involved in the community at various levels. I've coached Timbits and Novice hockey, and this past year took an active role with the FYHA and Hockey Canada recreational player development; sometimes amounting to 7 practices a day. In past summer months I've worked for the provincial DNR, as well as my family's raspberry plantation. I've also volunteered for many years with the Nashawaaksis Y's Men.

On campus I'm a member of the various clubs and societies, holding a VP position in a campus political organization. I also was a member of this year's Model NATO team, winning 'Most Outstanding Delegate to the Political Committee' at our conference in Ottawa. I believe that this wide variety of multi-tasking gives me the skills to perform at the highest level in representing the wishes/needs of the student population. Finally, Thank you for your support!

VP Student Services



Kristen Barnes

Hi, my name is Kristen Barnes and I am running for the position of VP of Student Services. For those of you who don't know me I'll just give you a few facts: I am from Moncton New Brunswick and went to BMHS. I am an Arts Student and hope to do law later on. I live in residence at Lady Dunn Hall. Getting to what's more of interest now, why am I the candidate worthy of your vote for VP of Student Services? Are you looking for someone who wants to make a difference for you? Someone who is ready and willing to commit and help you get what you want and what is best for you? Well what can I say; you've found the right person. I am committed to what I do, so when I tell you that I will make a difference for you, I will. I want to be there for you to help make the best of your experience here at UNB. I am ready and willing to give it my all, and show you that by electing me you have made the right choice. From previous leadership and executive roles that I have taken on, including student government, I am aware of the challenge and ready to step up with fresh ideas. I can bring creativity, determination and commitment to the job, and guarantee great results for you. By electing me for this position, I can show you what a difference Student Union can make for you. I am accepting of any ideas and suggestions, and never give up in a challenge. I can fight for what you want and get you what you deserve. If you have any questions or you would like to talk to me, please feel free to contact me at kristen.barnes@unb.ca, or 450-6722. Are you ready for someone to make a difference for you? Please vote Kristen Barnes VP of Student Services 2007-2008.

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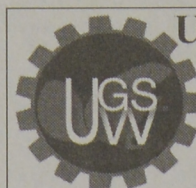
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