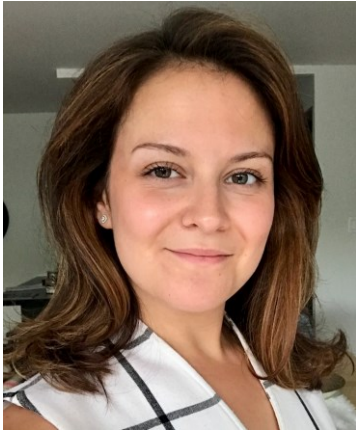


Get to know University Councillor Colby Pereira, Artsci'13, MA'15



What is your most memorable moment as a student at Queen's?

My most memorable moment as a student at Queen's was being an AMS intern during my frosh year. I had a great time learning about student government and working in the Commission of Internal Affairs. I was fortunate enough to make some lifelong friends and get my first exposure to governance at Queen's.

Please share a little bit about your current career

I am currently an Assistant Professor at a liberal arts college in Quebec. My specialty area is Criminology.

What is the best career advice you've ever received?

Always be yourself, give 100%, and do not be afraid to speak up and think outside of the box. This advice has always served me well and has allowed me to come up with unconventional (and effective!) solutions.

What is the career highlight you are most proud of?

I am most proud of my time working for my local Member of Parliament as a constituency assistant. Working with the public was such a wonderful experience and I learned new things about the community I was working in. The reward of helping everyday people with important issues on a daily basis has been the highlight of my career so far.

How do you enjoy spending your free time?

I love to cook and bake. I am a foodie and enjoy going to restaurants and trying new recipes.

What motivated you to stand for election for University Council?

After my time in the AMS, I wanted more! I also felt an urge to give back to Queen's after all the opportunities it gave me, both as a student and a TA. I love Queen's and am happy to be an active part of it once again.

What are your aspirations for being on University Council?

I aspire to meet as many new alumni as I possibly can while also representing their needs back to council. I also hope to be a part of a group that supports first generation university attendees and women in higher education.