



Hello Presidents,

Happy New Year! This has been my sixth first day of school at Queen's and seeing campus fill up after a quiet summer is so energizing. I bounced around to several orientation events to introduce myself to incoming undergrad and grad students. I'm looking forward to continuing to meet students where they are throughout the year.

Welcome to all the new faces! If you're wondering what a grad student is doing at the undergrad governing body, I'll point you to these two videos – an [introduction](#) to me and my [duties](#).

I'd like to highlight that the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (NDTR) is coming up on September 30. More information can be found [here](#) about ways you can spend this day engaging in learning and reflection. I will be speaking during the Sacred Fire as the first student voice ever for Queen's NDTR programming. I am humbled by the opportunity and grateful that I can represent students in this way. I hope to see many of you around the fire at 1:15 pm on the Benidickson Field.

Rector's Digest | My latest column in the Queen's Journal details hiring advisory committees. Read [Searching for Queen's Administration](#) to learn more about my experiences so far.

Office Staff | I have hired two staff members (an undergraduate and graduate student) to support the work I hope to achieve this year. These roles, a Multimedia Producer and Communications & Engagement Officer, will allow me to further my outreach and impact across campus in a sustainable way while balancing my academic requirements and goals. If you have an event that you'd like me to check out this year, please email rector.assist@queensu.ca.

UDSI Awareness | In an effort to make students aware of the [City of Kingston University District Safety Initiative](#) (UDSI), I worked with the AMS, ASUS, EngSoc, and HSS to create a [video](#) explaining the basics. During the two-week window of the UDSI, we reached over 10 thousand accounts (90% non-followers), gained 22 thousand views and over 130 shares. [The Journal reported](#) UDSI-related fines totalling \$16,920. The number of tickets for parking and trespassing at the pier stood out to me so I connected with University Relations and Student Affairs (who create paid harm reductions campaigns) and asked them to consider adding assets for parking and the pier next year.

Hate Has No Home Here | I have partnered with Hill Werth, Ed'24 to be a diplomat of the [HHNHH campaign](#). This poster is a marker of a safe space for marginalized community members. Hill is providing Queen's and Kingston businesses with a way to stand strong together against. A 2024 recipient of [Kingston 40 under 40 Award](#), Hill's impactful poster has even caught the attention of the House of Commons. My office did a 225-print run for student government and club spaces, the


Division of Student Affairs, and all residence buildings. If you would like a copy for your space, I can provide you with a poster at AMS Assembly.

Committee work | For your information, I am currently a member of the following committees. If you have any information relevant to this work that you'd like to share for informational purposes, please reach out. I believe it is necessary for me to be informed about diverse student experiences to fulfill my duties on committee meetings and welcome your insight.

- Review Committee for Responsible Investing (Principal)
- Hiring Advisory Committee for the Associate Vice Principal – Indigenous Initiatives (Vice Principal – Cultural, Equity, and Inclusion)
- Hiring Advisory Committee for the Dean of Education (Provost)
- Advisory Committee on Academic Accommodations (Vice Provost and Dean of Student Affairs)
- Academic Accommodations Interim Working Groups (Provost)
- External Relations and Development (Board of Trustees)
- Finance and Strategic Initiative (Board of Trustees)
- Governance and Nominating (Board of Trustees)
- University Culture (Board of Trustees)
- Honorary Degree (Senate)

That's all for now! Please reach out to me if you have any questions, need support, or would like to share an experience that can help me convey student voices to the administration.

At your service,



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