



Get to know University Councillor Alexi White:



ALEXI WHITE, ArtSci'08, Toronto, ON, is the Director of Systems Change at Maytree where he advocates for government policies that will fulfill economic and social rights. He is a former opinions editor at the Journal, long-time Walkhome employee, AMS Academic Affairs Commissioner, and Executive Director of the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance. He received a Master of Public Policy degree from Harvard and has worked in both the Ontario and B.C. governments, including as Director of Policy in the Office of the Ontario Minister of Education and Executive Director of Research and Policy at B.C.'s Office of the Human Rights Commissioner.

His higher education policy experience includes roles with the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities and as a senior government relations advisor at the University of British Columbia. He has served on the board of the Vancouver Opera and the Little Mountain Neighbourhood House.

1. Why did you select Queen's University?

Queen's checked all my boxes, from size and location to a stellar reputation for academic excellence and strong sense of community.

2. Most memorable moment as a student?

My year on AMS Council as Academic Affairs Commissioner – an incredible, formative experience from start to finish

3. What is your job?

Director of Systems Change at Maytree, where I work to end poverty and homelessness

4. What's the best career advice you've ever received?

Find something you love to do that society needs and keep doing it until someone will pay you for it.

5. What's the career highlight you're most proud of?

Contributing to a stronger, more equitable education system as Director of Policy in the Office of the Ontario Minister of Education.

6. How do you spend your free time?

Travelling and spending time friends and family

7. What motivated you to stand for election for University Council?

Giving back to the community and advocating for students

8. Do you have any words of wisdom for incoming Councillors?

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