

Parramatta Student Campus Council

By-Elections for Student Campus Councils & Student Editors

Candidate statements April 2013

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Position 8 - Postgraduate Member candidate statements

Yianni Athanasopoulos

I am currently a postgraduate student at the Sydney Graduate School of Business undertaking the “Graduate Certificate of Human Resources & Industrial Relations, ultimately progressing to the Masters of Commerce in Human Resource Management & Industrial Relations. Completed my undergraduate studies of the University of Technology, Sydney in 1999 attaining my Bachelor of Education in Adult Education, majoring in Human Resource Development.

Currently, I hold the position of NSW State Account Manager for Sleepmaker Australia. My experiences involve holding middle management positions for over 12 years in such reputable organisations such as David Jones, Woolworths Limited and The Shell Company of Australia Limited.

The reasons for my nomination are the following;

1. Raise the profile of SGSM to the wider business community, in particular the Western Sydney Region
2. Escalate student concerns to the governing body

Liaise with the SGSM office to meet the professional expectations of the post graduate...

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Louise Vo

I would like to nominate for position as a Graduate Student council to feel a part of the team by contributing to make a difference. I just completed recently in Bachelor Degree of Business and Commerce at UWS and it has taught me so many things that text book its self doesn't explain the experience that people have that make they are today. I am passionate to assist students towards making changes to build a more adaptive environment that feels like home. I assist previous as a volunteer for UWS careers representative for Parramatta towards guiding students to career opportunities available where in 2011 of UWS Careers Expo contributed time to assist people in any way possible. I chose to study my Postgraduate course at UWS of the opportunities that it offers me in life. I believed that I could bring my knowledge, time and effort toward change.

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Position 11- General Member candidate statements

Roslyn Pandey

My name is Rajnita Roslyn Pandey, and I am a current undergraduate student in the Bachelor of Nursing at the University of Western Sydney. I am currently situated in the South Parramatta province for my course. I am writing to you, in order to become one of the members in the Student Campus Council at UWS Parramatta.

It has always come to my great attention that community service is one of the most important skills needed for any employment. In the instance of Nursing I have come across customer service. I have always been fascinated in helping others. This is in the form of my participation in volunteer jobs at the St Hedwig's Nursing home in Blacktown and also a member of the telecommunications sector of The Australian Red Cross in Blacktown.

As an individual I have come across many hardships, but never gave up. During my Higher School Certificate...

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Andrew Tran

HI EVERYONE!!! My name is Andrew Tran and I would like to represent, YOU, the Students to ensure your University Life is the BEST it can be, at the educational level and the social, FUN level as well. Why should you attend University when the only point is to attend Lectures and Tutorials then go home? Well, I would like to take a stand and change this view to make attending University a want rather than a need. Just last year I had graduated from Bonnyrigg High School, a School from South-Western Sydney, Cabramatta, Fairfield, Liverpool Area, as the School Captain and I believe that I had well-represented not only my Grade's but also my School Student's views on what they believe should be changed or put in place within the School. So I believe with this prior experience, I can bring those skills here and, MAKE UNI AN EXPERIENCE!!!

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Christopher Wilson

I am an Indigenous student undertaking the BBC (ABL)

Some of you may know me from Statistics for Business PASS or the Logistics Degree.

I want to focus on improving University Spirit and Campus Culture for the benefit of the Parramatta UWS community.

Services:

Students need ALL hours access to a lounge & kitchenette with microwave and hot water.
PARKING and its pricing scheme needs a full review!

Education:

As a student I pay for education and expect to receive value from experienced teaching staff. I feel should record ALL face-to-face lectures and make them available online. Furthermore students require increased fundamental content support from trained academic staff. I propose that all vUWS sites and Learning Guides must be operational at least one week before Lectures start.

Vote 1 for Christopher Wilson and give students an effective voice on campus.

I am YOUR Representative and will campaign for YOUR services.

Sajeed Ferdous

VOTE Sajeed Ferdous

Why? Because UWS Deserves Better...

Increasing the relationship between the Student Union and our fellow students:

The Student Union is there to provide a helping hand to our students who are involved with UWS. But considering that there are a number of students who do not know what the student union does or what it can help them with, I plan to increase the knowledge and the importance of the SU to our students. I am also planning an improvement on the student reps system and other councils ensuring that your student experience is enhanced while allowing you to voice your opinions loud and clear

-“Fighting for your awareness”

MOST IMPORTANTLY I WILL STRIVE FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR BEST STUDENT EXPERIENCE! Seek something better.

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Kamil Zielinski

Dear Student Body,

I am applying for the position of General Member for the Parramatta Student Campus Council. I am enthusiastic about this position and keen to liaise with students and staff in order to find innovative ways to improve UWS Parramatta. I am always willing to listen and take on board any suggestions you may have and believe that my strong work ethic, as well as my responsibility and reliability, will serve as an asset to the Student Council. Let me be your voice.

Jenny Song

My name is Jenny Song, studying Bachelor of International Studies at UWS.

I am a leader, community changer and an advocate through my involvement in various positions and have received many awards.

Yet, I believe being a member of the Student Council, would be one of the most exciting experience. As a member, I will be your advocate and representative and passionately fight for justice.

I believe University of Western Sydney is an outstanding university. Yet many connote 'western Sydney' with negative perceptions and I believe it is unfairly stereotyped. By voting me, I will drive my best to break that stereotype and work hard to support diversity, social justice and harmony within our environment, raising awareness among our peers and highlighting issues of social inequality.

Hopefully my involvement will contribute to a future full of harmony and peace where people will generously lend a helping hand to one another.

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Jing Chen

Hi, my name is Jing Chen. I am running because I believe the student's voice needs to be heard. If I am elected, I will promote to the Uni;

- Smaller tutorial sizes in class. There are too many students and not enough staff. My criminal Law class has 45 students per class. It could be so much better. Most of all, it is not fair to the teachers/tutors who because of so many students and increased workload, don't have enough time to give the students the time we deserve.
- Increased student representation for students. As students, I believe we need to be included in every major decision Universities make that affect our lives. How can students have a voice if they are not consulted? I believe it's time the university listened to the voice of students.

Lets do this! Vote for me, and let's improve our university in 2013!