

Candidates for Undergraduate Representatives (FPA) to Senate 2017-2018

1. Liam Callaghan

Hi, I am a third-year Criminology and Criminal Justice student seeking election as a Carleton University Student Senator for the 2017-2018 academic year. Throughout my time at Carleton University, I have strived to prioritize improving the student experience. In the 2016-2017 academic year, I served as a Student Senator, a criminology representative for the Carleton Academic Student Government (CASG), and volunteered more than twenty hours a week for the CUSA Foot Patrol Service Center.

As a prior student senator, I have pre-existing knowledge surrounding the policies and procedures of the Senate, allowing me to best represent the undergraduate student population. During my 2016-2017 Senate term, I actively worked with CASG to pass a motion to examine the feasibility of requiring course outlines to be publicly distributed a week prior to the beginning of classes, in order to provide students with the opportunity to best prepare for their upcoming semester. Our initial motion was successful, and the reform is currently being considered by the Senate committee on Curriculum, Admissions, and Studies Policy.

My time as a criminology representative on CASG has also provided me with the experience necessary to pursue reforms in the Senate. Throughout the 2016-2017 year, I have held a position on the Governance Review Committee, where I helped draft changes to CASG's governmental documents, such as the electoral code, which was successfully passed at council.

If elected, I will continue to focus on reforming academic student policies and guidelines, in order to benefit the student experience of all undergraduate students. I will also continue to spread awareness of the Carleton University Senate, to better inform students of the current debates surrounding academic issues at Carleton University. I would be humbled to have your support to serve on the Carleton University Senate for the 2017-2018 academic year.

2. Frohan Foroutan

My name is Frohan Foroutan, and I am an international student majoring in Economics. Over the past couple of years at Carleton, along with maintaining high academic standing, I have done my best to get involved with different student societies and student support services to enhance student's life and contribute positively to Carleton community. I have been actively involved with Carleton Undergraduate Economics Society and Faculty of Public Affairs' Ambassador Program. Also, I have been a peer mentor for different programs such as Bounce Back, First Year Connections, and PMC Volunteer mentor program. Currently, I am a TA. I am confident that these experiences will help me to better represent our undergraduate students.

3. Brock McPherson

I am currently in my third year of an Honours Criminology & Criminal Justice degree with a concentration in law and minor in political science. During the summers I work for Bell Canada as an Advanced Cable Repair Technician. I am very interested in several administrative and political processes involved with being a student at Carleton University. I believe that being involved with the senate would be an excellent opportunity for me to exercise my knowledge and strong work ethic for the betterment of our faculty. I consider myself a very realistic, cooperative individual and am very capable of providing strong insights on a number of topics which may arise during senate discussion. I can guarantee that I will attend every meeting and contribute to any discussions and decisions related to both students and administration within our faculty.

During my time as a Director with the CUCCJS, I would attend bi-weekly meetings to discuss and help organize the various activities of the society. This included actively engaging in discussions and helping make decisions on how to proceed with various issues or events the society organized. This role also included speaking publicly and providing presentations on several occasions. To speak to my interest and knowledge regarding administrative and political processes, after graduation I intend to run in the election in my home town for a town councillor position. This requires adept knowledge and abilities within the political/administrative realm. Thank you for taking the time to read and to consider my candidacy.

4. Zach Parkkari

I am running for student senator because I would like to continue to serve my peers and the wider Carleton Academic community. In my role as a representative on the Carleton Academic Student Government, I had the honour of representing my peers on the Faculty of Public Affairs Board, as well as my program's management committee. Through my role as a Residence Fellow here at Carleton, I helped to create a positive learning environment for all students in residence and learned what really matters to first year students. Over the past two years here at Carleton, I have gained a lot of experience from co-founding the BGIInS Academic Society, to being a Residence Fellow, and even being a First-Year Connections Mentor as well as a CASG representative. All my experiences have been rooted in one goal, serving my community and my peers. If elected I will strive to do my best to share the ideas and needs of all FPA students with the Carleton Senate. It is important that everyone's voice and ideas are heard, no matter who they are. This election, I hope I can count on the support of my peers to be elected as a FPA Student Senator!