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I'M HANNAH MACKIE

ABOUT ME

Hello Nipissing Students!

My name is Hannah Mackie, and I am running to be your next Student Union President! I am a fourth year Business student, in the Organizational Studies stream. I am someone who is passionate about enhancing the student experience with the education and experience to back it up. I have been active on campus already in many ways. Through these great opportunities I have built a foundational understanding of the issues students face, been able to witness the great work students do on and off campus, and build fantastic working relationships on and off campus.



EXPERIENCE

- **FROSH LEADER**
- **CREATOR OF THE NIPISSING UNIVERSITY ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP**
- **NIPISSING UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEER**
- **NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION (NSO) VOLUNTEER**
- **MEMBER OF THE NUSU BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
- **STUDENT SENATOR**
- **CURRENT NUSU EXECUTIVE**

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MY GOALS

I think that NUSU possesses a lot of potential to promote social growth and academic excellence as their mission statement indicates. I also believe that NUSU already has many services, events, campaigns and programs that are highly beneficial to students and under utilized. I hope that in the role of President, I can utilize the existing framework to continue to improve the student experience and engage students to assist us in sharing their voice on campus and in the community.

The main question is how? How am I going to accomplish this in my term? Here is my plan for the 2019/2020 term.

Student Voice

I think that the direction of NUSU should be guided by the student voice. I would like to explore new ways on hearing from students and improving the current methods used. I would like to, as the President, focus on what students are saying. What is working? What is not? How can NUSU be the body of change for students? Executives are elected to speak for the students, but the students should still be consulted. I feel as though NUSU currently does this well, and I am looking forward to exploring ways to encourage more students to engage in these discussions.

Management of NUSU

The President is the manager of the organization. The organization is only a sum of its parts. Those parts are the dedicated staff teams that make up the various departments of NUSU. If elected, part of my focus will be on ensuring that all departments are communicating with each other, collaborating, and working on similar paths. I plan on implementing structured staff meetings with more focus on what is coming and refocusing on our goals. I would like to separately schedule check ins with each department to give advice, direction, learn about each of the other roles, and have consistent updates on the operation of each department. Communication is key in this position! I believe it is the role of the President to ensure everyone is on the same page and to foster an environment where communication is frequent, open, and transparent.

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Governance

As the current VP Governance and Legal Affairs, I am well versed in what is involved in the governance of the organization. I would like to continue to implement, review, and standardize our policies and procedures in the office for better flow. I think this will decrease the amount of time spent on administrative tasks, and give more time focusing on the output of this office. My other goal here is to educate the Board of Directors more on student issues to inspire them to become more involved, and over all utilize their unique skill set more.

The Community

North Bay has become a home away from home for many of us. For me it is my hometown, and I am passionate about finding and providing opportunities in the community for students. I am interested in exploring how we can assist in driving the economy in North Bay, and finding jobs and experiential learning opportunities for students. The first step to this is creating and maintaining relationships in the community. Many employers are looking for comprehensive resumes these days. I hope to provide volunteering, job, and networking opportunities in the community for students to expand their resume and experience past their degree.

The Student Centre

The construction on the student centre is obviously underway. However, once it is built, what is happening with it? I would like to work towards a structure that focuses on student jobs, and programming that continues to grow a student culture on campus. Students are the life of this university in my opinion, and I want to do my part to creating a space that we can be proud of.

Conclusion

I represent the student voice. I want to make a change. I want students driving what takes place on campus. Nipissing University is ranked number one in student satisfaction, and I want to do my part to keep it that way.