

# HANNAH MACKIE

CANDIDATE FOR  
NUSU PRESIDENT



Hello Nipissing Students!

My name is Hannah Mackie, and I am re-running to be your next Student Union President! I am an upper year Business student, in the Organizational Studies stream. I am someone who is passionate about continuing to enhance the student experience with the education and hands on experience to guide me. I have been active on campus, and in related projects 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. I hope you put your trust in me to guide NUSU for another year and vote Hannah Mackie!

## EXPERIENCE

- Business Student
- Current NUSU Executive
- Previous NUSU Board Member
- Frosh Leader
- Involved in clubs
- Student Senator

## CORE SKILLS

- "Big Picture" thinker
- Great people skills
- Leadership capabilities
- Motivated and dedicated
- Knows how to engage with the community
- Great collaborator
- Good at finding gaps and problem solving

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## Leadership

Working in an environment such as the student union in this position, requires leadership capabilities. Through my time currently as the president and through being able to work alongside my mentors, I feel as though I have the skills to lead a team in this capacity. To me, being a leader is being capable of recognizing your teams skills and applying their strengths to the right projects and situations, and also being an individual that empowers their team to succeed individually, and as a group. I would say my leadership best follows the "Servant Leadership" philosophy. By putting the staff and employees first and serving their needs in line with our strategic goals, I see success for our team.

## Community Relations

Community relations is a large focus of the president position, and often relies on building relationships with key members of the North Bay community. Continuity would be beneficial for this position and the organization. If elected in, I would be able to continue building these relationships and continue to build and strengthen the bridge between Nipissing Students and the North Bay community. One of my favourite parts of this aspect of the job, is all of the opportunities for our students that come out of Nipissing and NUSU successfully maintaining these connections.

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# Student Engagement

Student engagement is a conversation being had by many student unions and universities. We are moving into an age where it is difficult to get students to participate and engage with the activities and opportunities on campus. As a student myself, I recognize that a lot of this comes down to being busy! However, I am a strong believer in your university career being about more than going to and from class. I hope to continue to work with the team and come up with creative ways to find opportunities for all interests of us students. If elected in, I would like to find better ways to come to you folks, and get as much input as possible. The only way to engage your audience is by looking at their needs. If elected in, come chat with me! What are your student wants and needs?

# Government Relations and Advocacy

Government Relations and Advocacy is such an important part of the president position. The purpose of the NUSU is to advocate for students and enhance student life socially and academically. This means being a voice for students municipally in regard to living conditions, housing, and what students need out of the North Bay community. It also means being a voice provincially and federally on topics such as education funding and healthcare. I plan on continuing conversations with our government representatives and speaking on those issues. Something I would like to start as well, is educating students on the impact government has on our university careers and what we can do to speak up.

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# The Student Centre

The Student Centre project is one that has spanned many years, and has been contributed to by many students. This is a complex project that involves the construction of a 13 million dollar building and organizational development of the entire organization. I have been involved in this project since re-tendering for construction and signing the loan from my time on the board, participating in the ground breaking ceremony as a VP, and now am elbows deep in construction meetings, furniture sourcing, conversations about funding and redoing the organizational structure of the student union.

There is a very specific timeline moving forward, and I feel as though consistent vision and leadership to see this project through is important. In a time of change for the organization, transitioning in a new president could be a bump in the road for a project like this. I strongly believe that my skills gained from being a business student focusing on organizational studies will highly benefit the continuity of NUSU and assist the current staff. Being up to date and having the student voice heard is crucial moving forwards in meetings with the university and our architects, where impactful decisions are being made. Catching a new president up to speed is not time that I feel we have.

# Conclusion

I hope that you put the trust in me to successfully open this space and create a space for students that will encourage socialization, and be a place where all are welcome. At the same time, ensuring that the advocacy, programming and academic functions of the NUSU are not lost in the whirlwind of this project.

Thank you for taking the time to read this platform and hopefully I have communicated my dedication and passion about students and NUSU, and you have been convinced that I am the best choice for you as the next NUSU President.

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