

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE STUDENT UNION (UMSU) ANNUAL ELECTION
7TH-11TH SEPTEMBER, 2026

Provisional list of nominations (alphabetical order)

Below is a provisional list of nominations at noon, Friday 14 August.

Candidates are ordered as follows. For candidates not on a ticket, alphabetically starting at first name. For candidates on a ticket, alphabetically by ticket name. All candidates on a ticket are displayed below candidates not on a ticket.

Please draw any errors to our attention, and please also check the spelling of your name.

A draw for ballot order has been advertised to ticket registrants and independent candidates.

Officebearers

President

- Daniel Motika (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Harrison Kemp (Progress)
- Lottie Jenkins (Together for UMSU)

General Secretary

- Corbin Afanasyev (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Percival Taylor (Progress)
- Khush Shah (Together for UMSU)

Education (Academic Affairs) Officer

- Satvik Gulati and Yashesvi Verma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Nikolai Zarubin (Progress)
- Pranay Maheta and Rachel Fysh (Together for UMSU)

Education (Public Affairs) Officer

- Rui Cao
- Aidan Hawe (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Anthony Johnson (Progress)

- Minh Ha and Toby Putland (Together for UMSU)

Welfare Officer

- Holly Kalns and Martyn Cherian (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Jamie Edwards (Progress)
- Mysha Siddiqui and Yun Yi Chan (Together for UMSU)

Women's Officer

- Lia Handa
- Vani Jain
- Naya Ikram and Yuqi Ma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Elizabeth Sheezel (Progress)
- Keerthi Ruddramker and Melo Nicholson (Together for UMSU)

Creative Arts Officer

- Jinrui (Jimmy) Guo and Prishita Shethia (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Felicity Bayne (Independent Artists Co-operative)
- William Main (Progress)

- Manhar Arora and Noelle Liang
(Together for UMSU)

Activities Officer

- JINYU GUO
- Michelle Zhu
- Rui Cao
- James Duncan and Shifa Ikram
(COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Lewis Regan (Progress)
- Nathan Van Langenberg and Yanyan Zhang
(Together for UMSU)

Queer Officer

- Nandi Rathore and Vibha Amit
(COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Mabel Shelley and Ronglin Hou
(Together for UMSU)

Environment Officer

- Amaya Castro Williams (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Eren Olmez and Shahana Seyar
[INDEPENDENT STUDENTS 4 SUSTAINABILITY (S4S)]
- David Dieperink and Millie Mountford
(Together for UMSU)

Media Officer

- Lachlan Carroll, Saria Ratnam, Taylah Xuereb and Thomas Weir-Alarcon
(Independent Media)

Provisionally elected unopposed.

Clubs & Societies Officer

- Rui Cao
- Alexander Hams and Khadija Faisal
(COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- John McClure (Progress)
- Leon Nguyen van Tri and Meiqi Liu
(Together for UMSU)

Indigenous Officer

- Claire Trainor (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Cate Fardon (Together for UMSU)

Disabilities Officer

- Aahna Kamboj and Clarissa Sothy
(COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Angela Ranasinghe and Julia Gunther
(Together for UMSU)

People of Colour Officer

- Vani Jain
- Leon Lu and Muntaha Amreen
(COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Lushy Chinganya and Yasmin Saab
(Together for UMSU)

Students' Council

General representative

- Harvey Golonka
- Natasha Thilakasiri
- Nicholas Koppelman
- Rui Cao
- Joshua Solomon (Better)
- Aakanksha Bagal (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Ana Yadav (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Evelyn Yang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Guhika Sachdev (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Harasis Kaur (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kaashvi Shah (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kashyap Sreekumar (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kriti Malani (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Mansi Sharma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Omra Saber (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Radman Amel Monirian (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Ryunosuke Himeda (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Sakshi Sharma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Samuel Licciardino (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Vinnie Yan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Anandi Ganguly (Independent Media)
- Benjamin Shaw (Independent Media)
- Declan Carlton Mark Chan (Independent Media)
- Emily Macfarlane (Independent Media)
- Fergus Sinnott (Independent Media)
- Junae Won (Independent Media)
- Phoebe Irish (Independent Media)
- Syakira Azzah Kamila Setiananda (Independent Media)
- Zeinab Jishi (Independent Media)
- Anthony Johnson (Progress)
- Ferenz Pineda (Progress)
- John McClure (Progress)
- Lachlan Eliau (Progress)
- Lewis Regan (Progress)
- Matthew Wakefield (Progress)
- Menno Brandt (Progress)
- Nikolai Zarubin (Progress)
- Percival Taylor (Progress)
- Sebastian Glassel (Progress)
- Vedangi Khanna (Progress)
- William Main (Progress)
- Zoe Warren (Progress)
- Anjali Manoj (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Anuki Pandithakoralege (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Bella Beiraghi (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)

- Caitlin Spizzirri (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Darshita Kasliwal (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Elli Paulding (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Emily McCrohon (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Hannah Roseman-Gannon (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Lachie Owen (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Oskar Martin (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Reema Ababneh (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Rose Earp (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Sam Rathnaweera (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Sophie Conlan (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Yasmeen Atieh (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Alex Gwynn (Together for UMSU)
- Benjamin Freeburn-Riebeling (Together for UMSU)
- Claudia Acuna Kuroiwa (Together for UMSU)
- Eliza Grace (Together for UMSU)
- Ella Duane (Together for UMSU)
- Isabella McRae McLeod (Together for UMSU)
- Jake Proctor (Together for UMSU)
- Pablo Paskos (Together for UMSU)
- Rhea Sankar (Together for UMSU)

- Saharsh Jain (Together for UMSU)
- Shirley Tang (Together for UMSU)
- Shriyans Maddikunta (Together for UMSU)
- Tasmiya Haque (Together for UMSU)
- Thea Niall (Together for UMSU)
- Yifan (Roger) Cao (Together for UMSU)

Graduate students' representative

- Rui Cao
- Xianglong Lin
- Kanishka Saini (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Deveshi Sharma (Together for UMSU)

Indigenous students' representative

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- Dallmyn Kelly (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)

International students' representative

- DION LIM
- Félix Michel
- raiesa khutel
- Rui Cao
- Ryan Mishra
- Thao Nguyen (Sunny) Tran
- Xianglong Lin
- Yichen Yang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Patricia (Trisha) Teoh (Together for UMSU)

Queer students' representative

- Alejandro Lara Allende

- Char Palmer (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Natalie Ryan (Together for UMSU)

Students of colour representative

- Akshita Sharma
- Suren Muthusamy Lalitha (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)

- Joey Vun (Together for UMSU)

Students with disabilities representative

- Ruoming Wang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Lachie Templeman-Hughes (Together for UMSU)

Committees

Activities Committee

- Jordan Maxwell Lin
- Richella Louis
- Rui Cao
- Aarika Sharma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Eason Wang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Maira Ahuja (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Niam Airey (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Shani Dhariwal (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Sophie Chew (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Vanshika Chhikara (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Edward Iager (Together for UMSU)
- Eliza Grace (Together for UMSU)
- Frank Ngo (Together for UMSU)
- Jacob Pastore (Together for UMSU)
- Lina Li (Together for UMSU)
- Rachel Tran (Together for UMSU)
- Shivank Thakur (Together for UMSU)

Creative Arts Committee

- Ana Yadav
- Dikshita malhotra
- DION LIM
- Advika Panchagnula (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Bhavy Batra (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Camilla Hong (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Manya Agrawal (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Mark Zhang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Mehrak Mizan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Pooja Srinivasan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Chelsea Brooke Wiramanaden (Independent Artists Co-operative)
- Emma Guthrie (Independent Artists Co-operative)
- Gabriel Moore (Independent Artists Co-operative)

- Ivan Sokolov (Independent Artists Co-operative)
- Saskia Lynzaat (Independent Artists Co-operative)
- Anannya (Ana) Sircar (Together for UMSU)
- Ansh Jindal (Together for UMSU)
- Freya Hosking (Together for UMSU)
- Gurmehak Boparai (Together for UMSU)
- Mansis Kaur (Together for UMSU)
- Pablo Paskos (Together for UMSU)
- Phaidon Dickinson (Together for UMSU)

Disabilities Committee

- Aniksha Kathare (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Dharm Saraswat (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Isabella Li (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kartik Waghela (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Nija Kharangar (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Nyssa Gupta (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Shweta Bhat (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Abraham Arnaud (Together for UMSU)
- Alex Gwynn (Together for UMSU)
- Darcy Conquest (Together for UMSU)
- Frances Varghese (Together for UMSU)

- Kenway Sheridan (Together for UMSU)
- Lachie Templeman-Hughes (Together for UMSU)
- Rajash Kuderu (Together for UMSU)

Education Committee

- Dhanvi Sharma
- Rui Cao
- Ayaana Kumar (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Dian Fu (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Jiya Dhama (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Khushi Valecha (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- M Warid Abdullah (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Ryo Oguchi (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Yuta Nojiri (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Bambarawana Liyanagamage Nesandi Naadithya (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Bella Beiraghi (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Caitlin Spizzirri (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Jasmine Zhang (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Sophie Conlan (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- William Roumeliotis (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Yasmeen Atieh (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)

- Benjamin Freeburn-Riebeling (Together for UMSU)
- Camila Echevarria Burnie (Together for UMSU)
- Dennis Leung (Together for UMSU)
- Eliza Grace (Together for UMSU)
- Joey Vun (Together for UMSU)
- Linda LI (Together for UMSU)
- Mecca Setiawan (Together for UMSU)

Environment Committee

- Jones Chueh (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Lola Bowers (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Sam Rathnaweera (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Samuel Licciardino (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Sara Rajpurohit (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Tanishka Bijlani (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Vidhi Totla (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Eren Olmez [INDEPENDENT STUDENTS 4 SUSTAINABILITY (S4S)]
- Shahana Seyar [INDEPENDENT STUDENTS 4 SUSTAINABILITY (S4S)]
- Bella Beiraghi (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Hannah Roseman-Gannon (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Lachie Owen (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)

- Nashia Nazim (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Nathan Rodic (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Tom Palmer (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Yasmeen Atieh (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Ariana Gu (Together for UMSU)
- Dean Moutzikis (Together for UMSU)
- Flynn Slater (Together for UMSU)
- Kiyong Shin (Together for UMSU)
- Oliver Baitch (Together for UMSU)
- Thea Barnard (Together for UMSU)
- Zara Zakir (Together for UMSU)

Indigenous Committee

- Fenella Collins
- Dallmyn Kelly (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)

People of Colour Committee

- Ishan Vaykole (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kavya Brahmbhatt (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Muhammad Fardeen (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Qichen Wang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Riya Arora (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Wenhan Ju (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Zahra Halela (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Ayah Elmustapha (Together for UMSU)

- Hayley Kendi Njagi (Together for UMSU)
- Krithika Briet (Together for UMSU)
- Mecca Setiawan (Together for UMSU)
- Salia Nimley (Together for UMSU)
- Tasmiya Haque (Together for UMSU)
- Tjipo Morgan (Together for UMSU)

Queer Committee

- Aryan Lalit Kalpande (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Isabella Li (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Karolyne (Yiiwen) Kan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kathryn McInerney Sotomayor (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Naduli Nimsandee Kudagama (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Wilber Willmott (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Wren Baird (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Beatrix Hiep (Together for UMSU)
- Jay Huang (Together for UMSU)
- Kenway Sheridan (Together for UMSU)
- Natalie Ryan (Together for UMSU)
- Sen Palaniyappan (Together for UMSU)
- Ted Kelly (Together for UMSU)
- Willow Kecskes-Judd (Together for UMSU)

Welfare Committee

- Rui Cao

- Aidan O'Reilly (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Angela Clark (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Anushka Pravin Dongare (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Dimple Rana (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Harold Avinesh (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Loh Ting Fang (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Ruby Barlow (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Aulia Sarah Andraina (Together for UMSU)
- Charlie Russell (Together for UMSU)
- Du Wang (Together for UMSU)
- Ling Hao (Together for UMSU)
- Max Zhang (Together for UMSU)
- Thea Niall (Together for UMSU)
- Victoria Pan (Together for UMSU)

Women's Committee

- Akshita Sharma
- Lia Handa
- Rui Cao
- Avni Panjwani (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Eisy Syifaa (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Mishka Joshi (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Niamh Clarke (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)

- Phoebe Adams (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Priya Singh (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Yagmur Eda Yildiz (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Erling Xu (Together for UMSU)
- Frances Varghese (Together for UMSU)
- Keiyona Shankar (Together for UMSU)
- Mikayla Savundranayagam (Together for UMSU)
- Minh Ha (Together for UMSU)
- Qing (Alissa) Chen (Together for UMSU)
- Zahra Batoory (Together for UMSU)

Southbank

Southbank Students Campus Co-ordinator

- Elizabeth Victoria Pardallis and Leyla Boz (Independents for Southbank)

Provisionally elected unopposed.

Southbank Activities Officer

- Reuben Strentz (Independents for Southbank)

Provisionally elected unopposed.

Southbank Education Officer

- Mia Christiansen (Independents for Southbank)

Provisionally elected unopposed.

Southbank Students Committee

- Leonardo Murrieta Lagos
- Aidan O'Shaughnessy (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Gia Srivastava (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kathryn McInerney Sotomayor (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Madhuri Talim (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Niyathi Premarajan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Prerana Shetty (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Rohit Sharma (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Gus Morrison (Independents for Southbank)
- Hadyn Collier (Independents for Southbank)
- Juniper Salt (Independents for Southbank)
- Mackenzie Hawkins (Independents for Southbank)
- Miranda Zabel (Independents for Southbank)
- Natasha McBain (Independents for Southbank)
- Tirion Luff-White (Independents for Southbank)

- Zoriana Krupa (Independents for Southbank)

Voting Students' Council representative elected by Southbank Students

- Tom Palmer (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Matteo Rafael Bonson (Independents for Southbank)

Burnley

Burnley Campus Co-ordinator

- Rebecca Gray

Provisionally elected unopposed.

Burnley Students Committee

- Nina Middleton *[awaiting eligibility checks]*

- ~~Rebecca Gray~~ *[elected to earlier incompatible position]*
- Rory Crofts *[awaiting eligibility checks]*

National Union of Students

National Union of Students delegate

- Gobi Jegarajasingham
- Joshua Solomon (Better)
- Char Palmer (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Corbin Afanasyev (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Daniel Motika (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Holly Kalns (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- James Duncan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Kashyap Sreekumar (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)

- Vinnie Yan (COMMUNITY FOR UMSU)
- Percival Taylor (Progress)
- Ada Pascoe (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Aidan Hawe (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Amaya Castro Williams (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Bella Beiraghi (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Heather Maltby (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Pippa Jackson (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)

- Reema Ababneh (Socialist Action - Free Palestine)
- Frances Varghese (Together for UMSU)
- Isabella McRae McLeod (Together for UMSU)
- Jake Proctor (Together for UMSU)
- Khoa Nguyen Bao Le (Together for UMSU)
- Lachie Power (Together for UMSU)
- Melo Nicholson (Together for UMSU)
- Toby Putland (Together for UMSU)

Byelections

Burnley Students Committee (2026)

No nominations received.

Provisional list of tickets registered

Name of ticket	Registrant
Better	Joshua Fritz Solomon
COMMUNITY FOR UMSU	Daniel Motika
Independent Artists Co-operative	Felicity Bayne
Independent Media	Thomas Weir-Alarcon
INDEPENDENT STUDENTS 4 SUSTAINABILITY (S4S)	Eren Olmez
Independents for Southbank	Caleb Jarcevic
Progress	Harrison Kemp
Socialist Action - Free Palestine	Isabella Beiraghi
Together for UMSU	David Trevorrow

Stephen Luntz
Returning Officer
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