

**ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY LAW
STUDENTS' SOCIETY**

CANDIDATES GUIDE



Candidates Guide 2019 - President's Welcome



Sophia Laparidis - President

Welcome to the AULSS Candidate's Guide for the 2020 Committee.

The election is always an exciting time for the AULSS. It is a period of transition and adjustment with a multitude of new policies being pursued.

Since last year's reform to both the co-option process and election rules, we've seen increased transparency throughout the process of electing or appointing committee members.

While in the past the process surrounding co-option was ambiguous, all casual vacancies this year have been broadly published. This means that the members appointed to this year's committee have been enthusiastic and innovative individuals with a broad range of experiences.

It is encouraging to see more positions filled for this election than last. Consequently, the 2020 committee will have a stronger foundation at the beginning of their term, and I hope this makes the transition process much more seamless.

Evident from these nominations is an eagerness to join the committee, with many fresh faces in a range of roles.

This year on the AULSS we have seen the new Officer roles becoming more well-defined. Our Equity and Wellbeing Officer has taken responsibility for AULSS sports, and the Indigenous Officer has run specific events to promote awareness of Indigenous issues. I hope that these roles continue to become more shaped through reformed structural accountability.

I congratulate all the uncontested candidates for their appointment to the committee, and I wish all other candidates the best of luck for the election.

I hope the 2020 committee shares my experience over multiple years on a dynamic and engaged AULSS. I am excited to see what the 2020 committee will achieve.

Good luck!

Sophia Laparidis
President

Nominations

Vice President



Chelsea Brooks - Vice President

the AULSS can feel worlds away so I want to establish ways in which more of the cohort can be involved, beyond the amazing activities and programs that are already in place. I believe the closer the relationship between the student population and the AULSS, the more approachable and transparent it can be, allowing for better functionality and more feedback to enhance the student experience at Adelaide Law School.

Hello, sleep deprived, case summary loving, Adelaide law friends.

My name is Chelsea Brooks and I am here to highlight the qualities I possess which would make me a fantastic AULSS Vice President. In case you can't recall who I am, I'm the one always telling anyone and everyone (regardless of if they will listen) that I am from the country. I also have an overly ambitious Elle Woods personality. Ask my very much alive house plants how much support and diligence I can bring to the law school committee – this is what I have been training for! Sorry I won't be here for most of campaign week to pester you with posters of my face (I'm in the country).

I have so much to offer in terms of what I can give to the AULSS and law school community. I began developing strong leadership qualities in high school, holding Student Council President and Sports Captain. I have since continued to grow and develop my leadership and communication skills through a variety of activities including sport, other uni clubs and workshops.

I've had many years of experience in administration, which has allowed me to establish efficient and effective processes for distributing information and processing documents. I can write minutes, handle accounts and record keep with the same meticulous, perfectionist, precision as Donna Paulson. I am approachable and always willing to offer my support where I can. If you need me; I am your go-to girl. I understand the importance of good communication in a team but also the requirement to be open with external stakeholders. I love being organised and thrive off a challenge. I am outgoing, love a chat and always want to get the best outcomes for my fellow law students when it comes to organising sweet benefits.

Something I wish to achieve through the Vice President's role is helping to bridge the gap between the AULSS and the law school community. I understand that sometimes



Behshid Golshani - Vice President

as smooth as the ice-cold water from the liggy water tap and get you AMAZING Law School Local deals, vote for me.

Your future VP*,
Behshid

*fingers crossed

Hi! My name is Behshid and I am running to be your 2020 AULSS Vice-President. You might have seen me at every AULSS event with a glass of vino in hand because nobody loves the AULSS (and vino) more than me. If you have loved the Careers Guide, Clerkship Guide and general career opportunities, please vote for me to be your VP!

It has been a pleasure being your Careers and Sponsorship Director this year and I am so proud of all of the work the AULSS has done this year, in particular, the Careers and Sponsorship Portfolio. In my role this year, I work on producing well-rounded Careers and Clerkship Guides with increased communication and interaction with firms. I aim to promote this within the committee and the study body next year as well.

The experience this year has taught me so much about the AULSS, the Committee, our finances and all the other systems and processes we have in place, which sets me apart from other candidates.

I am passionate about efficiency and organisation (seriously, have a look at my Google calendar if you want to see ORGANISED) and I believe this is an important trait in a good VP. I aim to be next-level organised so we can all go and enjoy our time at Law Ball and all the other amazing seminars and events that the AULSS has on! I very much look forward to assisting the President, the rest of the Executive and the Committee with their roles as well. Being on the society next year will especially allow me to support the next Director Careers and Sponsorship which will make semester 1 much easier for them.

Lastly, there is nothing I love more than a good chat so I look forward to meeting even more of you this year and making the AULSS even more open and inclusive. If you want to watch me get you AULSS socks for apparel, make finances

Nominations

**Competitions
Representatives**



Alexander Alex- Competitions Representative

I believe I would be an ideal candidate for the position of competitions representative due to having the experience, passion and dedication needed for the role. I am passionate about oral argument based competitions, having participated in competitions in every year of my three years at law school including the First Year Moot 2017, Novice Moot 2018, Negotiations 2018, Mergers and Acquisitions 2019 and have also served as a debating adjudicator for the South Australian Debating Association since 2018.

I am familiar with the format of many competitions as well as the administrative requirements, such as the need to organise judges as well as prompt communication with competitors. I would love the opportunity to assist the AULSS competitions team in upholding the high standards set in previous years.

I am also aware of the demanding nature of the competitions portfolio, with late nights often being required due to rapidly changing circumstances around competition time. I am confident that I will be equal to the challenges of the role, being a highly organised and motivated individual able to work effectively in a team. With these qualities in mind I believe I will be a real asset to the team.



Mason Bierlien - Competitions Representative

Hello! My name is Mason, and I would be honoured to be elected as a Competitions Representative for 2020.

I'm a third-year law student who has been involved with the AULSS competitions since the start of my degree. Additionally, I had the privilege of being a competitions representative on the 2019 committee. I was specifically involved in organising the Client Interviewing and Novice-Moot competitions. As a result, I have extensive experience with the competitions portfolio and believe I am the right candidate for the position.

Law school competitions provide invaluable insight into the legal profession, allow students to develop practical skills and provide the opportunity to forge friendships. Competitions have unequivocally been a highlight of my time at law school, and I would be honoured to be able to give back to the AULSS by providing enjoyable and insightful competitions.



Nadeesha Indigahawela - Competitions Representative

“I have been in your shoes before; eager to wow the judges with my legal knowledge and charisma. Nothing is more exhilarating in law school. Take it from me as not only a Client Interviewing winner and representative for Adelaide Law School in the National Competition, but also someone who has seen her fair share of downfalls in these competitions. This ebb and flow is completely normal in legal competitions and as your Competition Representative, I aim to make this process as seamless as possible, to ensure you gain just as much out of your triumphs as you do your pitfalls.

Practical applications of what you learn in the classroom is invaluable for personal development, however, I am the first to agree that it is very daunting, especially for the first time. Thus, I also aim to make first time competitors and competition veterans alike as comfortable as possible with interactive crash courses with students who have had extensive experience in their respective competitions.

I am incredibly excited to be campaigning as a Competition Representative, as it gives me a chance to take all that I have learned and pass it on to you as the next generation of competitors.



Nicholas Rich - Competitions Representative

My name is Nicolas I would love to be your Competitions Representative for 2020. During the past year I have been fortunate enough to hold this position and helped to organise both the Open and Novice Moot Competitions put on by the AULSS. Through my experience as both a competitor and organiser, I feel I possess the skills to help me put on enjoyable competitions that are for all levels of students. If you see me around feel free to ask any comps related questions!



Brooke Wasushen - Competitions Representative

Hi All! I am a penultimate year student studying Law, Creative Writing and French, and (fingers crossed) one of your 2020 Comps Reps!

So, why should you vote for me? Because I have a TON of both comps and LSS committee experience! What does this experience look like? In regards to the committee, I have spent the last year as Equity & Wellbeing Officer, during which I have coordinated LSS Sport, written Wellbeing articles for The Hilarian, run coffee catch-ups and strengthened the relationship between the LSS and Lex Salus. I was also First Year Rep back in 2016.

And my comps experience? I have competed in both First Year Moot and WitEx, making the WitEx Quarter Final this year. I have also volunteered as both a Client and a Witness multiple times during my four years in Liggy. Additionally, I coordinated the WitEx Comp at the National ALSA Conference in July last year. (For those not in the know, that's where the winners of our Sem 1 comps go.) This all shows that I know the layouts of most competitions, and how to run them.

Convinced I know what I'm doing? Go chuck me a vote in Week 9!

Nominations

**Careers
&
Sponsorship**

Director of Careers and Sponsorship



Alex Betheras -Careers and Sponsorship Director

Hi my name is Alex, I'm a 4th year Law/Arts student and I'm running to be your 2020 Director of Careers and Sponsorship. As a penultimate year student I've gone through the process of applying for clerkships and understand how difficult that process can be. I also understand just important the events hosted by the AULSS and the C&S team are for creating meaningful relationships with law firms in both Adelaide and across the country!

As Director of Careers and Sponsorship I hope to bring you more events, that focus on a range of both legal and non-legal work experience. By building on the wonderful work done by the 2019 C&S team, I hope to provide you with more opportunities to networking and create relationships with future employers as well as other students who have recently gone through the process of finding a professional job. I also hope to use the position to offer a range of advice and support when it comes time to get those clerkship and job applications in.

Director of Careers and Sponsorship



Isabelle Blacketer -Careers and Sponsorship Director

Hello, my name is Isabelle Blacketer and I am running for Director of Careers and Sponsorship for 2020.

I am a third year Law and Arts student who is passionate about helping students find the right career path in this challenging and competitive profession. I was a representative on the Careers and Sponsorship Portfolio in 2019, and together the team was able to coordinate some amazing events and publications this year. I am highly motivated to deliver these events and go above and beyond as Director in 2020.

Through my personal experiences applying for firms I understand the challenges that students face when determining which area of law to pursue, as well as the stresses of seeking clerkships and internships. Therefore, I will support students through this challenging process by providing them with the most resources and support possible. I will continue the initiatives of the Careers and Sponsorship Portfolio from 2019 by hosting career seminars and networking events throughout the year and publishing the Careers and Clerkship Guide to assist students in finding the professional pathway that is right for them.

In 2020 I also hope to be able to introduce new initiatives to the Portfolio, including:

The creation of programs that help junior students become involved with legal work and volunteer opportunities, so that when they become eligible for larger clerkship and internship schemes, they are highly competitive applicants

Increased education about the breadth of opportunities across different legal fields, including international, government, judicial and in-house work, as well as board and research positions

Changing the format of events such as the Careers Fair in order to provide students with better opportunities to engage with firm representatives and create meaningful connections

It would be my privilege to work as your Director of Careers and Sponsorship in 2020. Please feel free to approach me around the Law School with any questions or ideas!

Thank you for your consideration.

Careers and Sponsorship Representative

Nominations



Andrew Baker - Careers and Sponsorship Representative

Hi! I'm Andrew and I would love to be one of your 2020 Careers & Sponsorship Representatives. I'm currently in my 4th year of my Law & Commerce degree, and as someone who doesn't intend to practice law, I've had a lot of experience in exploring non-legal career opportunities.

I'd love to see the 2020 AULSS continue to engage with a range of legal and non-legal employers to help us all unlock our future potential. Through my experience as a founding executive of the Bright Futures Society, I'll be able to bring lots of ideas and knowledge to support the 2020 team and make our AULSS C&S team the best it can be!



Darcy Blaser - Careers and Sponsorship Representative

Hello fellow law students! My name is Darcy Blaser and I am a second-year law student. As a Careers and Sponsorship Representative, I will do all that I can to increase the presence of the legal industry in the halls of Ligertwood. I will assist the director in their aim to provide all law students with the necessary information to gain legal experience while studying and form connections to support gaining employment following matriculation. Already at my time at Adelaide Law School I have discovered the value of networking events, guest speakers from the legal profession and published materials produced by this portfolio. It would be my honour to have the opportunity to continue to strengthen the connection between the law school and the professional world through these events. Additionally, I hope to continue the support law students receive from sponsors by assisting in developing these relationships. If I am elected into the role of Careers and Sponsorship Representative, I promise to make myself available to all law students if they wish to suggest, confer or question anything with regards to this role and accommodate them accordingly. I sincerely hope that you will consider me for this position.



Samantha Hainke - Careers and Sponsorship Representative

Dear Whom this may concern,

My name is Samantha Hainke and I would like to nominate myself for the role of a Careers and Sponsorships representative. I am currently in 3rd year law entering my fourth in 2020. I also study Psychological Science which I will be completing this year. I have been on the Psychology Student's Association as a general representative in 2018, and on the executive committee throughout 2019. I have also been involved in the social justice subcommittee for the AULSS throughout 2019. As a representative, I would contribute to the career's portfolio through my networks with company's in-house Counsels, and Australian Government Solicitor both with whom I have worked with. I endeavor to support the Executive member by being dedicated, and reliable, intending to go beyond the expectations required. I have the work ethic that will enable me to prioritise committee work, with study and work. I take a creative approach when problem solving and am never afraid to pick up the phone take initiative to get tasks completed. I wish to contribute to the AULSS in both fourth and fifth year, to promote the importance of networking with fellow students, future employers, and connections with GDLP educators.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

Yours Sincerely,
Samantha Hainke



Anthony Luppino - Careers and Sponsorship Representative

Hi, my name is Anthony Luppino and I am running for a position on the AULSS as a Careers and Sponsorship Representative.

Everyone that knows me personally would say that I am an outgoing, yet extremely friendly and enthusiastic person to be around that is also driven to achieving successful results. Through this position, I will assist students by providing them with a pathway to finding relevant job opportunities and work experience within a vast array of different areas.

While recently undertaking work experience at a commercial law firm, I have built many strong connections with notable figures in the law community. My vision is to utilise this for all students, where one of my main goals will be to act as a facilitator in connecting students with various representatives from top-class law firms, in addition to any other relevant opportunities that arise.

Overall, I believe that I can help alleviate the stress in finding jobs and obtaining useful legal experience for each and every student, while also providing them with access to a supreme network base throughout the broader law community within South Australia.

I would really appreciate your vote. Thank you.



Leon Kaperski - Careers and Sponsorship Representative

What use is a degree without a job prospect in the future? What use is a degree if you are unaware of practical ways of using it that suit you? I aim to bridge the gap between you and the people who want you, along with making it fun and interactive in the process.

You are probably someone with a double degree and may not know how to apply your valuable skills you have learned into areas beyond law. That's where I step in, as I intend to make you as well informed as possible about your choices, along with potential employers aware of the talent we have at the Adelaide Uni Law School.

Interaction and student involvement is a significant aim of mine, as I intend to bring the workforce and practical experience closer than it has ever been, to ensure you receive as much practical knowledge as possible before diving head first into a competitive market.

I will be your representative in all things career and sponsorship and as a result, will encourage any feedback or career pathways that you may have to ensure I can best serve you.

Thank you.

Nominations

**Activities
Representative**



William Broderick - Activities Representantive

I'm running for AULSS Activities Rep to help continue the great work of the Activities Portfolio in organising fun and memorable events for law students.

Uni life can be hard slog at times, law degrees more than most, but I'm a firm believer that with high quality events ranging from casual drinks to quiz nights and much more, the AULSS can make those long hours of finishing off assignments and studying for exams a bit more bearable.

I'm also committed to listening and consulting about new ideas for what kinds of events you want to see your AULSS Activities Portfolio run.

Thanks for taking the time to vote and looking forward to sending it with you all in 2020!



Chelsea Chieng - Activities Representative

Through my experience as a 2019 Activities Representative and the 2018 First Year Representative, I have a thorough understanding of the AULSS and the Activities portfolio. In 2019 I organised several law events, including our annual Quiz Night and Opening Party. There's nothing I love more than a good party, and therefore, providing unique and incredible events is something I am extremely passionate about. Throughout 2019 I also did the photography at many of the events where I was able to get to know many students throughout the faculty and am always keen to hear feedback and requests as to what the students want from their Activities Portfolio! I know exactly what my responsibilities will be and what is expected. If I am elected as an Activities Representative, I can assure you will have LOTS of fun at our events. 😊



Isabella Hunter - Activities Representative

I would like to join the AULSS as Activities Representative who is eager to continue to provide the law school students at Adelaide University with exciting, enjoyable, fulfilling and informing experiences and activities. I am willing to better understand the current programs and activities the law society provides, continue the efforts already offered, and introduce events that will continue to support our students from all backgrounds and give them a university experience that is not only enjoyable, but will meet the needs of students and encompass all our diversity. I am willing to devote my time and effort to pursue past and new initiatives.

After 4 years being a part of the law school at Adelaide University, my experience in numerous law society events will better inform me on how I can further develop and better these programs. I have used my time at Adelaide University succeeding in my studies while also creating personable relationships with my colleagues. My current media degree, which I study alongside my law degree at the University, has allowed me to develop my creativity. I believe my marketing experience through past and current occupations and internships makes me the best fit for Activities Representative.



Steph Nomikos - Activities Representative

Law School can be stressful and I know we sometimes feel like we're spending too much time at home cramming lectures than actually enjoying life around campus – I still think Uni can be an awesome social experience and I'm super keen to make sure you're involved in enjoying plenty of guilt-free social events throughout the year!

I'll be a final-year law student in 2020, and have plenty to offer the AULSS in order to make next year our best one yet. I've enjoyed attending events over the years but I'd love to get to know more faces around the law school and participate in planning social events, therefore I'm running for a position as an Activities Representative.

Having worked in hospitality for 5 years now, I have strong personal connections with management in a wide range of venues useful for this position, from pubs to clubs - Lot 100, hellooo Pro Vino? I'm currently working at 2KW and would love to form a relationship between this rooftop bar and the AULSS for future functions/events.

I'm full of ideas for 2020, and given the chance, am very keen to make my final year at law school our most fun yet!



Isaac Trumble - Activities Representative

For those who don't know me, I'm Isaac and I'm running to be one of your activities representative for 2020. Next year will be my third year of law and I'd love to start representing students on the LSS. Its long been my belief that what separates law from other degrees is the culture we foster and this is largely through our numerous social events the LSS puts on. Its amazing to go to events set up by the activities portfolio and be able to recognize everyone there and I'd love to have a hand in continuing this community culture. In the past couple of weeks, I've spoken to members of the current activities portfolio about what worked amazing this year and the small things we can do to make every law event amazing. If elected I would always be happy to have a chat to anyone who has ideas as at the end of the day, the activities portfolio is all about everyone having a good time, and what better way to plan events than to listen to what people want. I hope I can count on your support, cheers.

Nominations

Social Justice



Sofia Arlotta - Social Justice Representative

Hi, I'm Sofia Arlotta and I'm running to be your 2020 Social Justice Representative. Through my experience as 2019 Social Justice Rep I have learnt valuable skills that will enable me to continue to be a strong advocate for social issues around law school and the wider university campus.

As a Social Justice Rep for 2020 I would like to: Make textbooks more accessible for students. I intend to develop a textbook fund program that will allow students to receive economic assistance for required textbook purchases.

Modify the Social Justice Sub-Committee to make members more involved in the through collaboration with the Social Justice portfolio about present and potential projects.

Organise group volunteering for law students like volunteering at the Hutt Street Centre, visiting people in detention centres or getting involved with visiting programs at the Department of Correctional Services amongst other organisations.

Collaborate with the activities portfolio to have a fundraising event.

Change the time of the social justice breakfasts so there are no more early 7am starts.

Keep students informed about different volunteering opportunities and how to get involved in them.

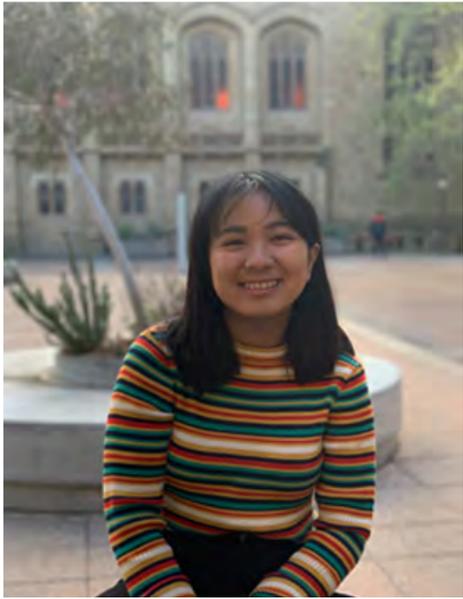
Feel free to ask me any questions. I would really appreciate your vote!



Natasha Slater - Social Justice Representative

Hi there! My name is Natasha Slater (but most people know me as Tash), and it would be my pleasure and privilege to be elected as a Social Justice Representative for 2020. I am a third-year Law and International studies student who wishes to pursue a career in both advocacy and legal aid.

During my time at Law School, I have prioritised my involvement in community legal centres, namely the Roma Mitchell Community Legal Centre and most recently the Self-Representation Service run by JusticeNet. Through these experiences I have gained a comprehensive understanding into how the pro-bono sector operates, and an appreciation for the impact that these organisations can have on individuals in the pursuit of just judicial and social outcomes. It is for this reason that I think the Social Justice Portfolio is so important in facilitating students to get behind these issues whilst still at University, and further be able to make a meaningful impact. In this role I would work to raise awareness and funds for social issues that students are passionate about, and make the Portfolio an inclusive and open environment.



Cecilia Tran-Pham - Social Justice Representative

Hiya Ligertwood! My name is Cecilia and I am running to be one of your Social Justice Representatives™ for 2020. Through working with other University societies, I have contributed to planning events that have motivated and brought together students who share common ideologies and want to make a difference, or at the very least have a good chat about it (Disclaimer: Slightly exaggerated for dramatic flair).

I have a (2020, haha) vision of focusing on how law can intersect with areas such as the environment (or what's left of it haha it's fine), women (especially women of colour, and Indigenous women), the continuing refugee crisis and the LGBTQI+ community. As well as this, I hope to provide more avenues for our law school to help at a small scale, because even the smallest change can make a difference. Unlike the Simon & Garfunkel song, if elected, I am hoping to not break hearts but instead empower them.



Denali Wright - Social Justice Representative

Hi, I'm Denali, and I'm nominating for Social Justice Representative in 2020.

In second semester of 2018, I organized the #KidsOffNauru pop-up in the Liggy foyer. A big thanks to all who signed postcards, the ASRC petition, and/or drew something to brighten the day of a child in detention. By February of this year, the last children on Nauru were transferred to the U.S for resettlement. We did it!

I'd like to further develop opportunities from within the Law school to support refugees and asylum seekers in Adelaide; in particular, I'd like to facilitate visits to those transferred from Manus and Nauru to the Kilburn detention centre. I really enjoy my visits – and I see just how much they are appreciated.

I'd also like to expand opportunities to support the homeless and other vulnerable groups in Adelaide on a more personal level. Though fundraising is essential, I really do believe that lending a helping hand goes further; even one positive interaction can make a difference to someone's day.

Finally, I look forward to really putting the “social” in “social justice” by helping to organize even more breakfasts, bake-sales, sausage sizzles, walks – the list goes on!

Thanks for your consideration!

UNCONTESTED POSITIONS



Belal Salih - President

Going into Ligertwood, I am always excited to sit down, have a chat and meet new people with a smile. As such, I wish to uphold the society's transparent and friendly reputation with the most fundamental part of the law school, the student body. As president, I hope everyone can benefit from the AULSS to enjoy and learn during their time at Adelaide Law School. For other candidates running, I aim to translate this mindset into a vibrant and inclusive AULSS, with all members getting a chance to participate and share their ideas across the society.

I hope I can achieve this by counting on your vote to be the 20202 AULSS President!

My name is Belal Salih and I would love to be your AULSS President for 2020! From my first year, the AULSS has been a fundamental part of my university experience studying Law. I am fortunate to say I have been on the committee for four consecutive years now. This included fulfilling positions as a First Year Representative, a Representative for the Education and Careers & Sponsorship portfolio and most recently, being the current Vice-President. Going into my final year, I want to continue my support and commitment to the AULSS by running for President.

Holding positions in multiple portfolios has allowed me to participate in the society from both a representative and executive perspective. As President, I believe my experience will help me oversee and facilitate each portfolio more smoothly and efficiently, having already developed an understanding of what is expected of each portfolio. As Vice-President this year, I have gained a strong understanding of the society's objectives and commitments within the Law School through my daily administrative and financial duties. These objectives encompass the AULSS playing a vital role in engaging with law students to give you the best possible university experience through various academic and social engagements. If elected, I will therefore be able to ensure the society is meeting these goals as much as possible by maintaining the numerous events the society holds every year. Having a clear idea of the society's financial position, I will also explore new initiatives the society can undertake to give you a memorable and rewarding university experience.



Elliette Kirkbridge - Director of Social Justice

Hello fellow law students! I'm Elliette and I am very excited to be running for the AULSS position of Social Justice Director for 2020. Currently in my 4th year of Law and Social Science, I have really enjoyed being a part of the Society previously in efforts to add a bit of spice to student life around Ligertwood.

As a Social Justice Representative this year, it has been fantastic to have had the opportunity to help organise events both for students and the wider community in raising awareness about issues of social justice within the law. The 2019 Social Justice Portfolio has been involved with various initiatives such as the Social Justice Breakfasts, the Hutt Street donation drive, creating a Legal Volunteering Handbook, holding fundraising events and facilitating student fundraising engagement as well as various other collaborations with social justice organisations.

There have been two highly successful Social Justice Breakfasts run so far this year on the respective issues of women in the law and in politics with guest speaker Susan Close MP, and most recently with Dr Michelle Lim who spoke about the environment and its interactions with the law. As a Social Justice Director, I would love to maintain events like this which showcase real life interactions of social justice in the legal profession and work on making them more accessible to a wider group of students.

As well as continuing these existing initiatives of the portfolio, it would also be good to see greater involvement with an engaged sub-committee, further collaboration with existing social justice groups within and outside of Uni, and a focus on facilitating more hands-on student community involvement beyond fundraisers. If elected, I hope to explore and adopt any new initiatives had by students, representatives or committee members as I am very keen to continue expand-

ing this portfolio in its reach for both students and causes of social justice.

Having at times felt a lack of direction and motivation with my own studies, I have found attending events run by the AULSS to be insightful and often a pertinent reminder of the many pursuable avenues in different areas of the law, including fields of social justice. It would be my privilege to spread this experience to more students, facilitating hands-on opportunities for those eager to get involved with issues of social justice at the ground level.



Rachel Chalmers - Director of Activities

After an awesome time spent over the last year creating events with the AULSS team I'm keen to be involved again in making sure we all get some guilt-free scheduled social life in amongst the full-on demands of good ol' law. So if you can vote for me, I'll make sure there are plenty of opportunities to roster your work off & tell them you have an "important" Uni event to attend...

I loved running & revamping Pro Vino up at the wonderful McLaren Vale in Semester 1 and if elected think it would be great to see this become a regular event in the calendar.

The return of Law Ball is always an exciting time and having a chance to pull together another one, to be as silly as ever, would be an unforgettable opportunity.

Now going into my fourth year I'm motivated to give this role a go, especially with the help of a wonderful fellow team of students around me. I think I have the experience to bring after being one of your Activities Representatives in 2019, and also considering my procrastination habit actually tends to be spent planning events (whoops).

Other than that, my policy probably comes down to – affordable tickets, lots of different things to keep us entertained & a chance to bring the cohort together to meet new mates, & hang out with old ones.

Hopefully, given the chance, I can lift everyone's spirits in 2020 at Liggy as your Director of Activities.



Peter Tantalos - Director of Education

To my fellow law students, my name is Peter Tantalos and I am running for the position as your Director of Education.

This is my second year in the Education portfolio and as a part of the LSS. It is wonderful to have been on the LSS committee for these past two years and I am honoured for this time to make a difference in the Law School and to the University lives of the students.

In my first year I was elected as the first-year rep and this year I am a general education representative. Over these two years I have learnt what is required from a Director of Education for the successful organisation and functioning of the Education portfolio. As such, I believe I am ready to fulfil these requirements and to give my complete focus to providing students with as many resources, events and advice in order to assist each student to be able to grow in their legal studies. I have been a part in the organisation of many educational events, which required skills such as engagement with my fellow law students, communication and planning with students, staff, the faculty and the wider public.

One of my goals for the following year as Education Director is to provide students with more practical learning events. This will include a greater number of the educational events, such as the recent AGLC 4 Tips and Tricks seminar and legal research seminars. In addition to these, I wish to create more interactive workshops, where students are not only learning legal research or referencing skills but are actually applying it with the workshop, with the assistance of more experienced students or the library staff, which will help strengthen students' use of legal research and referencing tools. I also wish to collaborate with other portfolios to a further degree, running joint events and also bringing more speakers from the profession.

I am approachable and open to any ideas you may have, also happy to help with any advice you may have regarding your legal studies, so please feel free to say hi around the Law School or you can email me at: peter.tantalos@student.adelaide.edu.au



Alexander Arthur - Equity and Wellbeing Officer

What does wellbeing mean? Think of it like money-it is a resource that allows one to do their best in all areas of life and can improve individual and organisational outcomes.

I would focus on three main areas; improved accessibility for AULSS events, consulting closely with Lex Salus, university counselling and staff to provide a 'law-centred' approach to mental health support services, and write a student wellbeing guide.

- **Accessibility:** As someone with a disability this is an aspect of life that organisations can overlook; however, by making small changes, such as adding more seating at Law Ball and doing 'walk-throughs' of events, everyone may feel happier and enjoy the event more.
- **'Law-centred approach':** The unique yet challenging environment of law school highlights the need for integrated support between the LSS, the faculty and other university services to improve student welfare, particularly through counselling.
- **LSS Wellbeing Guide:** This would be an accessible guide for anyone interested in improving their wellbeing including self-care tips, interviews and advice from senior students & professionals (such as counsellors and faculty) and how to seek help when needed so that students can achieve their best.



Oliver Hales - Education Representative

With our degree's restructuring that occurred in 2018, it's becoming ever clearer that things are changing. Being a law student today is much different than it was a decade ago; a career in the legal field is becoming increasingly more difficult to break into, and a number of students have doubts about whether they even want to practise.

In responding to these changes, the Education Portfolio needs to position Adelaide Law School as not only academic, but dynamic and buoyant too. This should involve encouraging careers that aren't traditionally legal based, but still involving the skills of analysis, research, and deduction that our degree teaches us. The Education Portfolio also needs to stay tuned in to what students like and don't like about their degree, and promote discussions with the higher-ups of the Law School (such as what electives are offered – did someone say bring Strategic Space Law back?!). Having completed almost four years of law, I'm familiar with the ins and outs of the law school, and believe that as a representative I can pursue this on behalf of the student body.



Imogen Tonkin - Education Representative

Hi! My name is Imogen Tonkin and I'm running to be one of your Education Representatives in 2020. This is my first time going for an AULSS position, but after getting to know many of the committee members over the last year I've realised that it is a team I would love to be a part of. I've had plenty of experience with both leadership and teamwork through my roles in student representative bodies in High School as well as choirs around Adelaide (which is what I do with alllllll that free time that law students have), so I have no doubt that I'd be able to be on top of organising people and events! Please feel free to come say hi or ask me any questions if you see me around :)



Bianca, Hugo, Christiana - Hilarian Editors

A Greek, an Italian and a (very) white guy walk into a bar. The Italian says to the other two...nothing at all, they were silent as they were consumed by the alcoholism that plagued the legal profession. These are their stories.

Moving on from that cold open; each of our team have been involved with The Hilarian over the last 3 years. We are experienced and passionate about delivering new (controversial) content and have fresh ideas for the direction of The Hilarian in 2020.

In an exclusive interview, we asked a lecturer this year if they read The Hilarian, to which they responded saying: 'only when I need toilet paper'. It gives us great joy to provide bathroom reading to lecturers and students alike, and it would be a privilege to continue our provision of lavatory entertainment in 2020.

Please vote for Hugo, Christiana and Bianca for The Hilarian editors in 2020 (please, we can't do any other extracurriculars competently).

