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**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE  
ELECTION 2019**  
Candidate statements  
**SRC SOUTH**

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## 2019 TUU STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION

Candidate Statements for the position of

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SOUTH):**

**ENVIRONMENT OFFICER**

### Bethany Becker

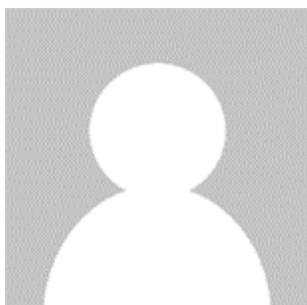


My name is Bethany Becker and I am running for the position of the SRC Environment Officer for the South TUU for the duration of 2020. I am currently studying an Arts/Law degree in order to pursue my areas of interest, including environmental law. My aims for this role are:

- To work closely with other TUU members to create an awareness of environmental issues within the University community, in order to create a more environmentally conscious culture,
- To develop and implement programs/initiatives that encourage and create more environmentally friendly behaviours and habits on campus,
- To create opportunities for other students with environmental interests and concerns to influence and shape the University's approach to environmental issues.

I look forward to having the opportunity to represent the University if I am elected for this position.

### Tabitha Dempsey



Tabitha Dempsey is a second-year Psychology student at the Sandy Bay Campus. Her main interests include reading, eating, and living in a world unaffected by catastrophic climate change. Despite this, she is a human who engages in climate-destroying behaviours like the rest of us, and studies psychology as an attempt to try and figure out why, and how we can change together.

She intends to pursue research in environmental psychology and behavioural economics. She has sat on the University Psychology Society Board, and volunteers at Source Community Wholefoods as the Events Coordinator, a role which has brought her the knowledge that environmentalism can and should include friendship, fun, and deliciousness.

She hopes to extend this knowledge to the TUU.

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### Gypsy Mahar



My name is Gypsy Mahar and I am running for #yourTUU South Environmental Officer.

I believe I'm a perfect fit to fill this role. I am passionate about our changing environment and what we as the up and coming members of society can do to change it. In this position I would make it a priority to connect and educate fellow UTAS students through environmental awareness activities.

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## 2019 TUU STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION

Candidate Statements for the position of

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SOUTH): INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS OFFICER

#### Maisha Jaleel



I am Maisha Jaleel and I am running to be #yourTUU International Students Officer as a part of the Connect #yourTUU team.

I have served as the International Students Officer in 2019. I believe that I am competent and most equipped to continue serving the needs of the university student community.

As the International Students Officer, I will endeavour to make the campus more inclusive for both international and domestic students. I hope to achieve all these by hosting more international-themed events and being up-to-date with issues that international students are facing.

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#### Nicholas Kumar



It is never easy being such a distance from home. My name is Nicholas Kumar and I am running to be your International Student Officer for 2020. I am a law student and have been at UTAS for the last 3 years, living at Christ College for the first 2 years. As an international student from Singapore, I have faced and am aware of the difficulties and struggles students face when they leave their home country for the first time to start their university life.

My aims for this role are to primarily provide international students with a constructive avenue to address any concerns they may have and to develop a sense of community and fellowship amongst the international students.

I look forward to the chance to represent you in 2020. Thank you!

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#### **Al Tashdid (Tash) Siddiquee**



Hello, this is TASH, nominating for International Students Officer position in the election. I am an international student studying a bachelor in Business. As an international student I know the circumstances of student life as international students come far away from the family to study in this renowned university. I will try my best to serve all the students by providing the required supports and services.

With the help of the University of Tasmania, I will strive to open the communication channels between international students, the university and the local community. I will advocate for a safe study environment for all, community engagement and a sounding platform for all challenges that international students face.

I have experience in communication and connecting with international students at Macquarie University as the President of a student club for 1.5 years. I have served for student's wellbeing in Macquarie University as well as organized cultural events, sports events and student collaboration program.

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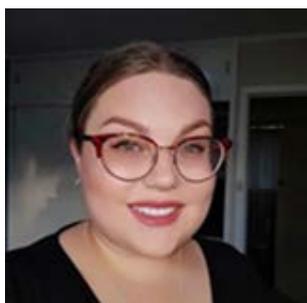
**QUEER OFFICER**

### **(Pius) Kin Ming Kung**



Hello, I'm Pius Kung and I'm running to be your Queer Officer. I believe that many of you in the past have felt the need to keep a secret. For example, "coming out". This is the most common conversation queer people will talk about nowadays. Many people struggle with their own identity and find it impossible to be their true self, but what I want to say here is, "coming out" is not just a process that only queer people have to go through. It is a moment in your life that everyone has to experience. As your Queer Officer, I will strive to help everyone find their identity. No one deserves to hide who they really are. "Finding your true self", is the slogan for my campaign. If you're truly looking for someone who understands what you think and cares about how you feel, I nominate myself to you.

### **Lily Russell**



As Queer Officer, my goal is to continue making the Southern campuses places which are welcoming, inclusive and safe for LGBTQIA+ members of our community.

Visibility is an issue close to my heart, so I will endeavour to ensure that we as a community are represented in way that makes our voices heard.

I consider myself a friendly and approachable person, so as Queer Officer I will always be welcoming of anyone who wants to talk. Whether it be to share ideas on ways to improve, a particular issue that needs addressing, or just to share a good meme, my door will always be open.

I intend on working closely with other community groups to provide access to support and resources for individuals located in the South. If you would like strong and committed leadership for the LGBTQIA+ community, please vote #1 Lily Russell for Queer Officer – South.

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**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SOUTH):**

**WELFARE OFFICER**

### Timothy Lippis

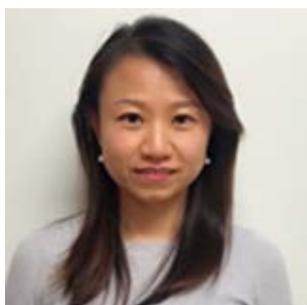


My name is Tim Lippis and I am running to be your TUU SRC South Welfare Officer for 2020. I am a Medical Research student and have spent the past two years living at St. John Fisher College, where I represented residents as Social Convener. My aims for this role are:

- To work closely with both the newly elected Women's officer and Queer officer to create events and a University culture that increases inclusivity for these communities,
- To increase student advocacy and consultation on major University changes affecting the welfare of students,
- To support student welfare, both mental, physical and financial through the Safety Net Grant Scheme and through TUU run events and consultation.

I look forward to hopefully representing you in the future.

### Jingjing Liu



My name is Jingjing, also known as Tracey. And I'm running to be #yourTUU Welfare Officer.

I'm currently assisting TUU on Veggie Bag Scheme, which aim to help students and staff getting fresh vegetables at much lower cost than market price.

I will advocate for students on equality and fairness, embrace for cultural diversity and support them from different angles. More events will be held to encourage students' involvement and hear your voices and concerns.

I will also stand up for you and strive the best for your wellbeing.

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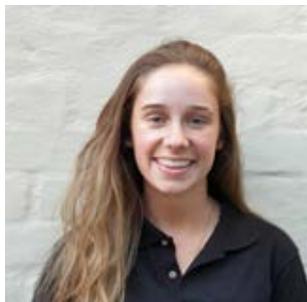
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**WOMEN'S OFFICER**

### Isabella Duffie



I am reapplying for the position of Women's Officer for 2020 as I believe I have more work to do, and many more projects and ideas to carry out. I am very passionate about women's rights and enjoyed supporting them in their journey through campus life this year. Being able to help University students is something I have grown to love. Women are incredible beings who also need a little support in their life, and I try to provide this for the women of UTAS through positive social media presence, opportunities to appreciate their mothers and breast cancer awareness. I believe that my passion and drive for all things women, aids me in being a good fit for this role and provides me with the ability to bring something to the TUU and the UTAS community to make a positive impact.

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### Madeleine Webster



My name is Madeleine Webster and I am running for the Women's Officer in 2020. I am a combined Law-Arts student, studying International relations and French. I am currently the Youth Ambassador for the organisation ROSTRUM and women's safety and wellbeing at university is something I am very passionate about. My aims for this role are:

- To provide a university study and social community that allows all females from all degrees to feel that they are able to contribute in an inclusive and safe environment
- To use this platform to give service back to female-centric organisations in the Tasmanian community, such as Hobart City Mission's Small Steps
- Create opportunities for women in all courses to have a say in the business of women's affairs at the University of Tasmania

I look forward to hopefully representing you in 2020.