



**2013 Governing Council Elections
Student Candidates' Statements**

Voting Period: Monday, February 11, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. to Friday, Friday February 22, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.
Online voting will take place on ROSI (www.rosi.utoronto.ca) and paper ballots will be mailed to post graduate medical trainees.

Graduate Students, Constituency I (Humanities and Social Sciences)

<p>Victorina Baxan</p> <p>I am a PhD Candidate in the Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education at OISE. As a Graduate Student representative on the Governing Council of the University of Toronto, I will be working towards improving academic, cultural and communication supports needed for student success. I have gained a good understanding of the needs of graduate students through my work as academic advisor with the OISE Student Success Center. My work is informed by my experiences as an immigrant to Canada, being an international student outside of Canada and my current research that focuses on diversity in Education.</p>	<p>Rastko Cvekic</p> <p>I am an upper year PhD student in the Department of Anthropology. During my seven years at UofT I have held numerous positions on the Anthropology Graduate Student Union, departmental committees, the GSU and CUPE 3902. If elected, I will provide a strong voice for all graduate students in Divisions I and II, and especially international students who cannot sit on Governing Council. Two of my top priorities are the replacement of full tuition with lower post-residency fees and the recruitment of more Aboriginal students at the graduate level.</p>
<p>Adanya Dunn</p> <p>My education includes: B.Mus with Honours (2008-2012), U of T and M.Mus in Operatic Performance (2012-2014), U of T. I have additional experience in languages, physics, chemistry, and history courses, and have lived both off- and on-campus (go Vic!). I have been a consistent and active member within and beyond the University community, in positions such as president, treasurer, event planner, and coordinator of various organizations and committees. Further to this, I offer a holistic approach to all I do, drawing on creative as well as logistical problem solving and solutions, in order to create an effective and welcoming university environment!</p>	<p>Darryl King</p> <p>I am currently a Master's student at the Rotman School of Management, and have a Bachelor's degree in philosophy from Queen's University. I am passionate about the role that the University of Toronto plays within our city and the broader global community. In order to nurture and strengthen this role I believe that three key values must be upheld throughout all of the University's affairs: integrity, freedom of expression, and a commitment to excellence. I am eager to represent the interests of Graduate students on the council while working together to ensure that the University flourishes in the years ahead.</p>

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Kate Partridge

As an M.Ed student in Sociology and Equity at OISE/UT and undergraduate in International Relations and Latin American studies, I've been deeply invested in the impact of policy and governance on marginalized communities, including students. During my five years at UofT, I have been involved as a researcher, tutor, and club executive addressing access to schooling, student housing, food security, discrimination and academic practices. As Governor, I will be a strong advocate for graduate students on post-residency fees, funding, academic freedom, student rights and other issues affecting the graduate student experience. On February 11-22, vote KATE PARTRIDGE for Governing Council.