

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my interest in running for the position of Vice-President of the Student Government, with a specific focus on academics at Loyalist College. It is with great commitment to academic excellence that I am submitting my application for this role.

As a dedicated student of the Paralegal program here at Loyalist, it is within my keen interest to advocate for our students. I am personally aware of the challenges faced by many students at the College. We all have many responsibilities ahead, and I plan to use my diverse people skills, leadership skills and passion for academics to guide myself, and my peers, through this next chapter, if selected.

My current academic achievements and high average prove my strong dedication to learning and to the many aspects of the legal profession, including organizational skills, communication skills, and advocacy skills. I believe I can invest these qualities into the student government to help support my fellow students.

I believe in the importance of representing the voices and perspectives of the whole student body, and will help provide an inclusive academic community where everyone feels valued, included, and supported at all times. It is important to me that everyone is heard, and I believe this is the first step in facing any academic challenge. If given the opportunity, I have many initiatives in mind to help students reach their full potential during their academic journey. Some of these include:

1. Promotion of peer tutors and the tutoring facility
2. Encouraging student engagement
3. Creating user-friendly online learning resources
4. Implementing more necessary feedback mechanisms
5. Academic support groups

The list is endless; however, my main concern will be what the students' concerns may be, understanding how I can help successfully resolve those issues and ensure feedback is properly communicated with School Deans or Associate Deans. I am fully committed to attending Dean's committee meetings monthly, attending Academic Appeal Committee meetings, bringing forward any academic related concerns and making sure they are met accordingly, advocating for student' academic needs, helping to formulate systems that better support students and being completely active in my role at all times.

As a paralegal student with a household of six, including myself, academics are my highest priority as I hope my children are one day as involved. Above all people, I understand how to manage my time amongst ever-shifting priorities. As a mother, I have developed a unique set of skills and qualities that I believe make me well-suited for a position on the student government committee. My experience as a mother has taught me a strong sense of responsibility,

dedication to serving others, empathy and understanding. Running a household has strengthened my abilities to become a strong multi-tasker, problem-solver and communicator; and make me a strong applicant that can manage academic commitments, personal and student government commitments with ease.

Being involved in student government will also help further my career goals, most importantly the advocacy aspect as student government offers firsthand experience in this. Being a part of student government will allow me to advocate on behalf of others, which is crucial for clients of a paralegal and in this situation, the students of Loyalist College. This will also give me an opportunity to further my knowledge in the decision-making process, policies, and regulations involved. Overall, being a part of student government can help to strengthen all of my skills for Paralegal candidacy while I work towards graduation.

In conclusion, I am fully committed to representing the best interests of our student body and promote continued growth and positive change at Loyalist College. Thank-you for considering my application and giving me the potential opportunity to collaborate with fellow students. I am excited to help empower students throughout their academic Journey.

Sincerely,

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