

STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

2025/2026 IJJ

Engage, Elect, Empower







Department of Student Affairs
Student Development





Voting is open from 25 September to Friday 26 September 2025.

How to cast your vote:

- 1.Go to http://bit.ly/UCTVotes
- 2.Enter your UCT login credentials (Student Number + Password)
- 3. Follow the instructions and cast your vote

If you experience any issues with logging in or casting your vote, email chiefelectoralofficer@uct.ac.za.

The Election Operations Office has made contact with the Disability Services to ensure that voting is accessible to all students living with disabilities

REPORT CANDIDATE MISCONDUCT



The SRC & FC elections should be fair, safe, and transparent.

If you see or experience anything that violates the rules, we encourage you to make use of the misconduct form

(see QR code/link below). As of 2025, candidates are no longer allowed to campaign during the voting period. Your report matters.

Examples of election misconduct:

- Campaigning during the voting period (25th & 26th September)
- Harassment or intimidation
- Asking you to vote on your or their devi
- door-to-door residence campaigning
- Misinformation or defamation
- Vote-buying or bribery
- Discrimination or exclusion
- Voter coercion

FAQ!

- "what if I don't want to vote?"

A: abstaining counts as a vote! Simply log in the voting system and select abstain.

- "How many ballots do I vote in?"

A: this depends on how many constituencies you are registered within. E.g., if you are an international student, that is studying an undergraduate degree and registered with a sports club, you will have a general ballot, international coordinator ballet, undergraduate coordinator ballot, and sports coordinator ballot.

- "where do I log any queries or complaints?"

A: chiefelectoralofficer@uct.ac.za

- where do I find out more about the elections?"

A: Follow us on social media for updates

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SRC GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES





Kwande Bam

BBusSc in Economics Second Year

#1

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Chairperson of SASCO UCT (2025)
- Co-chair of SRC Residences Sub-Council (2025)
- Head Student of Upper Campus Residence (2025)
- Student Parliament Member (2025)
- SRC Finance Committee (2024)

SLOGAN

SASCO YABAFUNDI!

AFFILIATION



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- Increasing of pay and connect to R60.



Alwande Cele

BSocSci Second Year

#2

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- -Tugwell Hall Head Student- 2025
- -Res Council Deployee for Student Parliament- 2025
- Secretary of the Res Council- 2025
- SRC Stipend Committee member-2025

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Alex Desmore

BSocSci in Anthropology First
Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- 1) Class representative for Anthropology. Member of UCT Swimming Club (2025)
- 2) High school peer counsellor (2021 -2022)
- 3) Junior councillor of Cape Town's Junior City Council (2023)
- 4) Child government monitor and mentor with the Western Cape Children's Commissioner (2023 - 2025)
- 5) School blood drive organizer (2024)

SLOGAN

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- 1. For action, for access
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 - 3. Review the Jammie Shuttle route coverage
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 - 1. Publish all SRC meeting minutes and financial records
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Mark Kabongo

MBChB Second Year

#4

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- 1) Golden Key International Honours Award (2024)
- 2) MBChB Class representative (2024)
- 3) Physiotherapy Class representative (2023)
- 4) Student Curriculum Lekgotla member (2024-present)
- 5) UCT Faculty of Health Sciences
 Faculty Board member, student
 representative (2025-present)

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Yael Kallmann

BSc Computer Science and Genetics Third Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Treasurer of Vegilicious society:
- Led outreach initiatives: established vegetable gardens in Langa, volunteered weekly at a food bank, and supported other community projects.
- Taught teenagers leadership skills while caring for children across a wide age range.
- Coordinated a weekend camp for 120 children and volunteers.

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AFFILIATION



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Afikile Koliti

BSocSci Third Year

#6

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Interim Head Student at Tugwell Hall
- Senior Mentor at Tugwell Hall
- Humanities Orientation Leader
- Class Representative
- Subwarden at Tugwell Hall
- Vice-Chairperson of the Subwarden's Association

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Lesego Lephiri

BSocSci Third Year

#7

MANIFESTO

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- Vice Chairperson External, UCT Humanities Student Council 2024/2025
- Deputy Chairperson, South African Students Congress (SASCO) 2025
- Member, UCT Senate Academic Planning and Development Committee 2025
- Tutor, Forest Hill Residence 2025
- Gender Marshall, Forest Hill Residence 2025

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Maboletso Letsoalo

MSc Computational Health
Informatics First Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- 2025:
- UCT University Council
- Honorary Degrees Committee
- Data Analytics for Student Success Committee
- IDM Transformation Committee

SLOGAN

NO PARTY LINES, JUST STUDENT LIVES

AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

Finance & Funding:

 $\label{lem:capable} \textbf{Capable students are being academically excluded by rising fees and debt.}$

Education is a right, not a privilege. I will:

- ·Fight against fee blocks
- ·Support the missing middle
- ·Freeze unjust increases

Accommodation:

UCT faces a massive housing crisis. There are not enough bed spaces and accommodation costs are high. I will:

- ·Advocate for more bed spaces
- ·Ensure accredited off-campus accommodation is constantly regulated
- ·Fight for clean, secure, accessible spaces
- •Mandate student representation in committees related to accommodation, food procurement

Student Wellness:

Your academic success is only as good as your mental and physical health. I will make your well-being a priority by:

- ·Fighting for more SWS staff = reduce waiting times
- Increasing availability of SWS after hours and during weekends
- ·Launching regular wellness workshops for stress management, coping strategies and time management

Inclusivity and Diversity:

UCT's strength lies in its diversity, but many students face barriers. I will advocate for:

- ·More accessibility for students with disabilities in lecturehalls, assessments, accommodation, transport
- ·Mandatory sanitary pad dispensers
- ·More gender-neutral bathrooms across campuses and spaces, floors, etc. in residences
- ·Preferred pronouns to be used on student cards, class lists, etc.
- ·Prayer spaces in all campuses, including indigenous spiritual spaces and gardens
- ·Zero tolerance for discrimination

International students:

- ·African fee justice reasonable fees for African students
- ·Launch Home-Away-From-Home mentorship and community program
- ·Increase visa and admin support

Global Solidarity:

UCT must stand with oppressed peoples globally. I commit to:

- ·Ethical university partnerships
- ·Amplification of student voices that stand with Palestine, DRC, Sudan
- ·Humanitarian action



Percival Mabuza

#9

BBusSci in Finance with Accounting Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Treasurer General (TG) of ABSIP
- Corporate Relations & Events Director, CSC
- Former Deputy Head Boy, Curro Bankenveld
- Mentor, Leo Marquard Hall
- Former Captain, First Team Hockey

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Takalani Makhwathana

MBChB Fourth Year

#10

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- UCT Council 2025
- Admission Committee 2025
- University Student Discipline Tribunal of Appeal Assessor -2025
- Senate Readmission Review Committee- 2025
- UCT Council Governance Committee (2025)

SLOGAN

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AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

- 1. Introduce a Bailout Fund to assist students facing financial exclusion.
- 2. Review the NSFAS Residence Cap.
- 3. Increase gap funding and fundraising initiatives to support missing middle students.
- 4. Expand transit accommodation capacity at the start of the academic year to prevent an accommodation crisis.
- 5. Align vacation accommodation with term accommodation to prevent the forced removal of students from residences.
- 6. Reintroduce family residences such as Philip Kgosana.
- 7. Ensure student representation in the procurement process of Dining Hall (DH) food to address the DH crisis.
- 8. Capacitate Student Wellness by increasing the number of counsellors and allowing clinical-year medical students to volunteer their services.
- 9. Capacitate the Office for Inclusivity & Change (OIC) and Campus Protection Services (CPS) to handle Gender-Based Violence (GBV) cases more effectively.
- 10. Introduce on-campus sanitary towel dispensers.
- 11. Advocate for students living with disabilities by:
- Extending disability transport services to operate after hours.
- Ensuring new shuttles are disability-friendly.
- Improving disability-friendly ergonomics across campus.
- 12. Ensure LGBTQIA+ students are well represented in university structures, and that their issues are adequately addressed.
- 13. Increase enrollment of students from previously disadvantaged groups to ensure representation reflects South Africa's demographics.
- 14. Introduce more Muslim and African traditional prayer rooms.
- 15. Continue to stand in solidarity with the people of Palestine, the DRC, and Sudan.



Thembekile Mapaqa

BSocSci Second Year

#11

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Head of Media and Communication EFFYC
- Avenue Road Residence Mentor

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Khanya Mndende

Bachelor of Social Work
Third Year

MANIFESTO

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- Media and marketing officer Xhosa Society
- Deputy chairperson Xhosa Society
- Student Parliament members
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Kitso Mojapelo

#13

Mechanical Engineering Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- SASCO UCT Branch Secretary (2025)
- Chair of Residences' Social Outreach Sub-Council (2025)
- House Committee Representative for Student Wellness, Social Outreach & Transformation – Upper Campus Residence (2025)
- Societies and Student Organisations Committee Member (2025)
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Nelisiwe Mpisana

#14

BA in Screen Production Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Deputy Head Student of Groote Schuur Residence
- •Treasurer General of Groote Schuur Residence
- ·Secretary General of the Treasury Sub-Council
- ·Class Representative for African Studies
- Netball Captain for Groote Schuur Residence

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Olona Nomdatya

BSocSci Psychology and Social
#15 Development Second Year

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CURRICULUM VITAE

- HSC Health and Safety Officer 2025
- Educare committee 2025
- EFFSC BSTT 2024
- Avenue Road Residence subcommittee member 2023

SLOGAN

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AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

1. Financial Access and Support

- Ensure NSFAS students register for the upcoming year.
- Ensure Final year NSFAS students can graduate.
- Review the NSFAS Residence Cap
- Expand fundraising initiatives to support the missing middle.
- Assist international students by ensuring that African international students are exempted from upfront fee payments.

2. Accommodation and Residence Life

- Increase transit accommodation at the start of the year.
- Ensure vacation accommodation ends at the start of the semester.

3. Food Security and Dining Halls

- Ensure student representation in the procurement of dining hall food to address quality and affordability issues.
- Ensure the introduction of catering seminars where UCT catering accounts to students.
- Ensure UCT increases the Pay & Connect food vouchers.

4. Health, Wellness, and Safety

- Strengthen Student Wellness by hiring more counsellors and enabling clinical-year medical and social work students to volunteer.
- Improve the capacity of the OIC and CPS to respond effectively to Gender-Based Violence (GBV).
- · Have GBV whistleblowers.
- Have on-campus sanitary towel dispensers to ensure menstrual health equity.

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- Improve services for students with disabilities by:
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6. Global Solidarity

 Stand in solidarity with the struggles of the people of Palestine, DRC, and Sudan.



Unathi Nyembe

BSocSci Second Year

#16

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- -PR and branding ARR 2024/25
- -PRO HSC 2024/25
- -EFFYC vice chair 2025
- Netball vice captain 2024 and 2025

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Sello Ramashala

BSocSci Second Year

#17

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CURRICULUM VITAE

- HSC CHAIRPERSON 2025
- UASC SECRETARY 2025
- HUMANITIES SOCCER COACH

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SRC POSTGRADUATE CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Nghwazi Makhubele

#18

BCom Honours Economics Fourth Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Disciplinary committee member, Roscommon
- Residence librarian, Leo Marquard
 Hall
- Residence tutor, Leo Marguard Hall

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Kgabe Molepo

MSc Computational Health
Informatics First Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- UCT Postgraduate Health Sciences Students Council - 2025
- ·UCT FHS Faculty Board 2025
- UCT FHS Dean's Advisory Committee 2025
- University of Limpopo Medical
 Sciences Society Chairperson 2021
- University of Limpopo Medical
 Sciences Society Sport Representative
 2019-2020

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NO PARTY LINES, JUST STUDENT LIVES

AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

Postgraduate students face unique challenges that require attention such as financial pressure, housing needs, academic support, and inclusive representation. The Postgraduate Academic Coordinator portfolio must work to ensure these realities are addressed at every level of decision-making.

1. Funding and Financial Justice

The priority is to push the NRF toward providing full funding only, ending partial allocations that leave students uncertain and vulnerable. Historical debt clearance must be advanced to reduce financial exclusion. For international students, upfront payments should be scrapped, and the unfair categorisation of non-SADC students as "foreign" must end.

2. Housing and Wellness

Postgraduate accommodation should reflect the realities of students' lives, including family-friendly options. Priority should be given to first-year postgraduate students, who face the steepest transition into academic and social life. Holistic wellness must also be strengthened: financial readiness programmes, expanded indigenous counselling services, and inclusive mental health support for LGBTQIA+ students.

3. Academic Support and Success

Transparent and accountable supervision systems are critical to improving the student-supervisor relationship. In addition, postgraduate success requires a proactive approach, real-time monitoring and early interventions to prevent exclusion or academic failure.

4. Representation and Solidarity

Students with disabilities must have full access to academic life through environmental modifications which offer them effective ergonomics and assistive devices. Representation also extends to solidarity with broader struggles for justice including the DRC, Sudan, and Palestine.

This vision is for a postgraduate community that is fully funded, fairly housed, holistically supported, and powerfully represented. Together, postgraduate students can make UCT a place where every voice is valued and no one is left behind

SRC SOCIETIES CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Khazimla Macingwane

MBChB Second Year

#20

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- -MethSSoc UCT Gender & Transformation Officer (2024)
- -MethSSoc UCT Deputy Chairperson & Ready2Help Campaign Convenor (2025)
- -Societies' & Day Houses Sub-Council Member (2025)
- -Member of Student Parliament (2025)
- -Year 2 MBChB Class Rep and student representative on Department of Health Sciences Education Undergraduate Committee (2025)

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SASCO YABAFUNDI!

AFFILIATION



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Rachel-Sarah Segal

BA Humanities Majoring in Law and English

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

·Golden Key International Honour Society Member

- ·Law Faculty Mentor
- ·Chairperson of SAUJS (South African Union of Jewish Students)
- ·Former Gauteng Junior Tough Rugby Squad

SLOGAN

Making a UCT for U, Dignity for all students

AFFILIATION



At the University of Cape Town, every student deserves dignity. The Unified Campus Team is committed to building a campus where basic needs, academic resources, and human respect are not privileges, but rights. Our manifesto rests on five core pillars:

1. Clean and Friendly Facilities

We believe a dignified learning environment starts with well-maintained spaces. We will push for stronger support for cleaning staff, upgraded bathrooms, and campus restoration campaigns involving students. Together, we will organize monthly clean-ups and establish effective recycling programmes.

2. Free Access to Water

No student should have to pay for a drink of water. We will ensure the installation and maintenance of water fountains across campus so hydration remains accessible to all.

3. Academic Access for All

Education is why we are here. We will advocate for proper access to lecture notes and create a UCT-specific YouTube channel with tutorials in core subjects, making academic resources freely available to every student.

4. Residences with Dignity

Empty rooms must never exist while students remain without housing. We will work to maximize res access, ensuring fairness, safety, and dignity for all residents.

5. Fair Financial Support

We will fight for transparent and supportive student funding systems, and for fee blocks to be applied only where appropriate, never as barriers to opportunity.

The Unified Campus Team stands for dignity, access, and fairness because every student at UCT deserves nothing less.



Andiswa Sithole

BA Second Year

#22

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- House Committee Sport Rep Kopano Residence
- Class Rep for ETHICS 1010F

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Ntando Thiya

BSocSci majoring in Politics and Sociology Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- -Head of marketing at UCTSCF(2025)
- Head of ministers forum at UCTSCF(2025)
- -Subcommittee at Rochester(2024)
- -Rochester house floor representative (2024)

Student societies play a crucial role in the overall experience of a student at UCT. I firmly believe that greater student engagement and involvement can be fostered. Some of my focus areas will be:

- -The opening up of storage spaces for societies.
- -The usage of the Steve Biko level 4 lockers for societies.
- -Leadership development workshops for committee members as well as members of societies who might aspire to lead societies in the near future.
- -Joint events with other societies to grow their reach and improve student engagement in social activities.
- -Advocate for a higher society grant for every student society.
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 - -Introduction of a website to increase the visibility of student societies.
 - -Collaborate with societies for a fundraising gala and other several other events to alleviate the student debt issue.
 - -Host a societies alumni networking event in collaboration with the current societies for mentorship and career development.
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 - -Host a DSA societies induction to educate the leaders on the way the university operates .
 - -Advocate for students employment opportunities at DSA to address the understaffing to ensure the smooth running of societies.
 - -Host a joint society food drive for unfunded students in second tier residencies.

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AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

SRC DISABILITY INCLUSION CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATE





Kate Olivier

BA Second Year

#24

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

·SWDF Secretary (April 2025-present) oAdditional roles: Vice Chair, co Social Responsiveness Co-ordinator, and Student Parliament Representative. oHelp with: Media & Communications and Events.

·Volunteer with the Western Cape Network on Disability (2023-present) ·Attended the Stellenbosch Disability Colloquiums (2023-present)

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Inclusion through community and advocacy.

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I am disabled (chronically ill, neurodivergent, wheelchair user). If I am elected, I plan to raise more awareness around disability. I want everyone to have a better understanding of what disability is and what accommodations can help. I plan to increase accessibility on campus in every way within my power, starting out with ensuring the 2021 Disability Policy is being followed. I hope to create more of a community among disabled students and our allies, and get people excited about leading the community as Committee members. If we get enough Committee members, we can host frequent community-building and awareness-raising events.

I am a natural advocate, and I want every student to feel welcome at UCT and to hopefully experience far less ableism than I have. I care a lot about my community, and I want to be part of turning UCT into an inclusive and accessible place. I try to be diplomatic and kind, and listen to people, and I am therefore quite approachable and supportive.

I have connections around the disability community in Cape Town, and experience with disability advocacy which will help me if I am elected. I try to stay aware of the world around me, especially around disability, and to consider other people's perspectives. I am very good at admin and organisation. I know I can make time for the responsibilities this position entails as I have already been doing a lot of this work with the Students with Disabilities' Forum.

SRCINTERNATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Evy Kariuki

Bachelor of Social Science FirstYear

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Project Coordinator for Sexual violence survivors' initiative
- Project Coordinator for Abandoned children initiative
- African Feminist Society Executive
- Class rep for AFS1100S and SWK1006S
- Student Leader for Tournament of Champions at Yale

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Nkundwe Kilembe

B.Com Economics and Finance
Third Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Social Media Manager:
- Association Francophone UCT Feb - Nov 2023
- IAPO Buddy Leader Apr Oct 2024
- Class Rep ECO3024F Feb Jun 2025
- Class Rep ECO3023S Jul 2025 present
- Class Rep BUS3038S Jul 2025 present

SLOGAN

WHERE BELONGING MEETS ACTION.

AFFILIATION

NKUNDWE KILEMBE

International students make up nearly 20% of UCT's student body, yet too often we are still treated like an afterthought. I myself have felt it: scrambling and failing to secure student housing, limited funding conversations, and even facing late and unclear responses from administration, left to figure it out without the support required. This campaign is about turning these frustrations into solutions; creating a space where belonging meets action.

As your International Student Coordinator, I choose to prioritise structural change. This looks like pushing for attention on fairer housing allocations, a hand to hold during admin processes, and greater accountability so no student is left vulnerable, feels alone in this. I will advocate for international students inclusion in the financial aid conversation and better lines of communication between students and administrations.

Alongside this policy reform, I aim to strengthen systems of support by working closely with the Internation Academic Programs Office to streamline visa grievances, housing, and registration and by creating an advocacy network to escalate concerns in a more timely manner.

Connection and community matter too. Cultural exchange events, language mixers, and career networking events to build spaces of solidarity, resource sharing and continue to prove of our enriching presence on this campus.

The goal here is clear: turning international student challenges into long lasting solutions. Join me in making UCT a campus where belonging meets action.



Tefo Ntsane

#27

Master of Public Health Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULM VITAE Head of International Students Office Postgraduate Health Science Student Council (PGHSSC) (March-September-2025). Chair of Student Networking and Research Postgraduate Health Science Student Council (PGHSSC) (March-September-2025). Chair of Student Networking and Research Postgraduate Health Science Student Council (PGHSSC) (March-September-2025). Advocate for clearer processes in

- Lesotho Student Association (LeSA) UCT-Treasurer (June-August 2025).
 Organised intercultural dialogues and academic
- Organised intercultural dialogues and academic support for international students.
- Represented international students in faculty engagement meetings.

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NO PARTY LINES, JUST STUDENT LIVES As an international student at the University of Cape Town, I have experienced both the opportunities and challenges that come with studying far from home. I am running for the position of SRC International Students' Co-ordinator to ensure that every welcomed, supported, and represented. My vision is to build a strong, inclusive, and engaged international student community. I will work to: Strengthen support systems that ease academic, social, and cultural integration.-Advocate for clearer processes in visas, accommodation, and financial services that affect international students.- Foster stronger collaboration between local and international student mentorship, communities through cultural exchange, networking events.- Create a responsive communication channel where international students can raise concerns and receive timely feedback.If elected, I will be a bridge between international students and the SRC, ensuring that our voices are heard at every decision-making table. My leadership will be guided by inclusivity, transparency, and accountability. Together, we can make UCT a place where international students not only study but also belong.

AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT



Absalom Tewolde

BSocSci PPE Second Year

#28

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- AVENUE ROAD RES SUBCOM PR AND BRANDING - 2025
- MENTOR 2025

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SRC RESIDENCES CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Bereng Chaka

BA Second Year

#29

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- House Comm at Leo Marquard Hall 2025: Entertainment and Corporate Relations Representative
- External Affairs Secretary General
- Gender Marshall 2025/26
- Class Rep DoH1002F
- Class Rep DoH1010S

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A Residence Is Home, Your Residence, Your Voice, Your Choice. Vote For Bereng Chaka and I Will Ensure That Your Residence Becomes Your Home

AFFILIATION

Leaders are not chosen, they are born. I was born a leader, and I am a leader. With all that said, my name is Bereng Owen Chaka, and I am running for the Residence Coordinator.

My commitments

- 1. Fostering a tight knit community between all UCT residences. Residences at UCT feel like different countries. Every residence has it's own ways, ways that differ from one another. Although, this is apart of residence culture, it has went far beyond culture. There is no clear communication between residences, this in turn creating tribalism within these residences. With me as the residence coordinator, my mission will be to create a community where all UCT residences see eye to eye on similar issues. I shall also foster commonality within all these residences. Common issues such as maintenance, wi-fi, safety, and catering are issues that affect all residences. I shall take all these matters seriously and ensure that they are addressed equally to the benefits of every residence.
 - 1. Enhancing Residence Life

My slogan mentions that a residence is a home. The most common issue I find in residences is a distant feeling. Most students see their residences merely as places of occupancy, not as homes away from home. With me as Residence Coordinator, my mission will be to work with house committees to promote inclusive and engaging residence lives through many activities. I shall ensure that every person in residences feels included within their residences, regardless off religions, disabilities, sexualities and race.

INDEPENDENT



Neo Momela

BA Second Year

#30

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

Tugwell House Committee

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Sigade Umzila



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Lebogang Rathebe

Bachelor of Social Science Third Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Class Representative of MAM1022F (Group 7) class of 2023
- Upper Campus Residence mentor
- Upper Campus Residence head mentor
- UCT Residence Mentorship Council
- Student Front Desk Assistance

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NO PARTY LINES, JUST STUDENT LIVES

AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT

Gratitude for being at one of Africa's top universities should never silence our right to demand dignity, justice, and support. I envision an SRC that serves students, not factions acting before crises, listening before decisions, and ensuring support is a right, not a favour.

This means expanding accommodation, closing funding gaps, building inclusive wellness services, supporting all student groups, and creating an SRC that communicates openly, answers questions, and leads with clarity, courage, and compassion.

Accommodation & Housing

- \star Increase of on- and off-campus, accredited off-campus checks, vac housing for support. Regular checks.
- \star Student representation in dining hall procurement to address DH crisis. Financial Support
- \star NSFAS funding caps, gap funding for missing middle, emergency aid expansion.

Wellness & Safety

- * Increase Student Wellness counselling capacity, indigenous counselling, gender-sensitive CPS/first aid.
- * Proactive GBV response and mental health support.

Postgraduate Support

* Holistic wellness, family-friendly accommodation, funding beyond partial NRF, improved student-supervisor relations.

International Students

 \star Fair fee structure for international students, culturally sensitive induction, support for integration.

Representation & Inclusion

* Disability services (modifications & assistive devices), LGBTQIA+ support, sanitary pads, prayer spaces.

Transport

- \star Increased capacity for buses, disability access, middle-campus shuttles. RAC & Academic Oversight
- * Align RAC meetings with academic year.
- * Ensure composition reflects diverse student needs.

Anti-Discrimination & Solidarity

•Combat racism and discrimination, promote decolonial initiatives, solidarity with global struggles (DRC, Sudan, Palestine).

Student Engagement & Transparency

•SRC that never tires of answering questions, explaining decisions, and actively communicating with constituents.



Mfundo Sithole

Bachelor of Laws Second Year #32

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Head Student 2024/25- Carinus Residence
- Political Education Officer 2024/25-SASCO UCT
- Mentor 2024/25- Faculty of Law and Carinus Residence
- Member of Parliament 2024/25-Student Parliament UCT
- Head Prefect (2023)- Sparks Estate Secondary School

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SASCO YABAFUNDI!

When elected as SRC Residences and Housing Coordinator, I shall advocate for:

- 1. Standardisation of Residence facilities and amenities across the entire system.
- 2.Fixing access control problems which prevent access to residence facilities.
- 3.Increased CPS presence in residences without fences or gates.
- 4. Return of Day Houses.
- 5. Scrapping of the 72-hour rule when students have supplementary exams.
- 6. More affordable student Housing!
- 7. Healthier and better prepared food across all dining halls.
- 8.Increase the lunch voucher amount and no expiring lunch vouchers.



SRC SOCIAL RESPONSIVENESS CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Jan-Hendrik Du Toit

BA Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Radio Presenter at UCT Radio
- Journalist at Varsity Newspaper UCT
- Board Member at Wikimedia South Africa
- Ltd
- SRC Candidate in 2024

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students

AFFILIATION



My name is Jan-Hendrik du Toit. I'm from Paarl in the Cape Winelands. I'm a second-year Bachelor of Arts student triple-majoring in English Literary Studies, Media & Writing and Sociology.

I'm an aspiring media professional. In my spare time, I edit the English Wikipedia and I'm an administrator on the Afrikaans Wikipedia. I was actually fortunate enough to be given a scholarship to attend the Wikimania Conference in Nairobi, Kenya this year and I will be heading to Dar es Salaam in November 2025 for Wiki indaba, the local Communications Intern at Hortgro PtyWikimedia Foundation-sponsored conference for African Wikimedians I'm running for the SRC, specifically for the position of Social

Responsiveness Coordinator as an independent, because this constituency encompasses the student development agencies of SHAWCO, UCT Radio and Varsity Newspaper. I joined the latter two societies earlier this year and they have had a profound impact on me and my future career trajectory, and I would love to give back to these societies.

If elected to the SRC, I'll fight like hell for the student development Making an UCT for U, Dignity for all has a section in the decision-making bodies at UCT.

these societies have so much potential, if given more resources to really shape UCT students into confident young people of the future dedicated to giving back to their communities.

The rationale for supporting me is simple: you can call me a lot of things, but you can never call me "lazy", "selfish" and "uncaring". If elected to the SRC, I will fight to the end to ensure that my constituents are served.

Yours truly, Jan-Hendrik.



Boitumelo Mphahlele

#34

BSocSci Second Year

CURRICULUM VITAE

Class Representative POL1004F

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Zou Rwexwana

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BSocSci Second Year

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

· GCI Secretary General

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SRC SPORT CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATES





Rutendo Chikeya

BA Second Year

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MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Culture and Transformation Rep Forest Hill
- Transformation Sub-Council Chairperson

SLOGAN

Sigade Umzila



- * No academically eligible student must face financial exclusion. #SIZOFUNDANGENKANI.
- * Accommodation is Land: No student shall be left behind without accommodation. Land must be occupied.
- *More leasing of off-campus residences to avoid students being placed on waiting lists and being left without accommodation.
- *Provision of education on defense classes for femme bodies and provision of pepper sprays.
- \star More opportunities for student employment within the university upon the discontinuation of Dining Hall Monitors.
- *Establish a student employee desk to assist with all payment queries and unfair treatment of student workers.
- * Eduroam must be available on Jammie Shuttles.
- * Uphephela Driver's License program for final year students.
- * Advocacy for an international student-centred approach that will ensure that there is an exemption granted to students who register late due to various factors.
- *Provision of FREE SANITARY TOWELS/PADS on UCT premises, campuses, and residences.
- *Recruitment of more faculty psychologists to avoid a backlog at Student Wellness.
- * More visibility of CPS after midnight
- * Increase pay & connect voucher amount to R50
- * Offenders sanctioned by tribunal must be removed from the institution & not just from one residence to another.
- * Continue to stand in solidarity with the oppressed of the world including the people of Palestine and Western Sahara.



Usivile Giyose

BSc Geomatics Third Year

#37

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Nov 2024 Present | Secretary General, Student Sports Union
- Represented UCT Sports at various USSA University Sports South Africa council meetings, AGMs and student forums
- · Active member of student parliament
- Jan 2023 Nov 2023 | Marketing
 Representative, Student Sports Union
- Managed UCT Sport social media accounts

SLOGAN

NO PARTY LINES, JUST STUDENT LIVES

I have been a member of the Student Sports Union executive committee since 2023 and have dedicated myself to strengthening sport at UCT through active service and leadership. As the 2023 Marketing Representative, I helped run the inaugural 2023 Sports Festival and spearheaded communication efforts to engage students across campus and residences. I also trained UCT sports club marketing representatives at an SSU workshop, equipping them with tools to better promote their clubs and increase participation. In 2024 and 2025, I served as Secretary General of the SSU, focusing on improved administration, seamless communication and efficient functioning of sport-related procedures between clubs and the university. Beyond campus, I represented UCT Sports at University Sports South Africa (USSA) council meetings, AGMs, and student forums, advocating for our athletes nationally. As an active member of the Student Parliament, I ensured that the voice of sport was consistently heard in broader student governance conversations. As SRC Sports Coordinator, I aspire to deepen collaboration between residence sports and SSU-affiliated clubs because too often these spaces operate in parallel, and I believe that through better integration, we can create a stronger, more inclusive sporting culture that celebrates all athletes, from social players to competitive representatives. I am committed to building a united sporting community at UCT.

AFFILIATION

INDEPENDENT



Kenan Le Roux

Property studies Third Year

#38

MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- 1. Chairperson of the UCT cricket club -2024 and 2025
- 2. Completed Victory Church Gap year leadership stream - 2021
- 3. Stooge at Bishop's Founders House -Bishops School - 2025
- 4. School prefect Paarl Boys High School - 2020
- 5. Hostel prefect Hostel Bellevue -2020

SLOGAN

For Action, For Safety, For Access; For Accountability.

- 1. For action, for access
 - 1. End student homelessness, and have a temporary accommodation crisis plan.
 - 2. Free feminine hygiene products for students in need
 - 3. Review the Jammie Shuttle route coverage
- 2. For a safe campus
 - 1. Establish student safety patrols
 - 2. Improve campus lighting and security communication
 - 3. Work with the City of Cape Town law enforcement
- 3. For accountability
 - 1. Publish all SRC meeting minutes and financial records
 - 2. Cut SRC's luxury spending
 - 3. Zero tolerance for sexual misconduct in student leadership





Reabetswe Morolo

BA Third Year

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MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

Football Treasurer

SLOGAN

SASCO YABAFUNDI!

AFFILIATION



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SRC UNDERGRADUATE CO-ORDINATOR CANDIDATE





Sihle Mxunyelwa

BA First Year

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MANIFESTO

CURRICULUM VITAE

- -2025 Departmental Head under the Dept of Philosophy
- -2025 Class Rep for PHI1025F
- -2025 Class Rep for LIS1000S
- -2025 Sports Subcommittee for Clarinus Village
- -2023 RCL President

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