

President

Ryan Kim & Youssef Saleh



Hi everyone!

We are Ryan and Youssef, and we are running to be your new Co-Presidents.

As the current President and VP Internal, we have spent the past year uplifting Computer Science students. You might have seen us in the Cube or at one of our many events throughout the year like the Tech Career Fair.

We have worked to extend the club's reach to more people in the community through collaborating with groups like WiCS, WiDS, QueerCoded and nwPlus. As Co-Presidents, we will continue our work on creating a safe and inviting environment for everyone, so that everyone feels welcome in UBC's CS community. We aim to further develop our relationship with other student leaders in CS to bring you the best club experience possible.

We believe that in order to excel, a team must be cohesive. We are proud of the team we put together this year and the amazing work we have been able to achieve. Next year, we hope to continue promoting diversity, inclusion and team spirit, so that we can serve you to the best of our ability.

If you see us around, feel free to say hi! We're always open to feedback :)

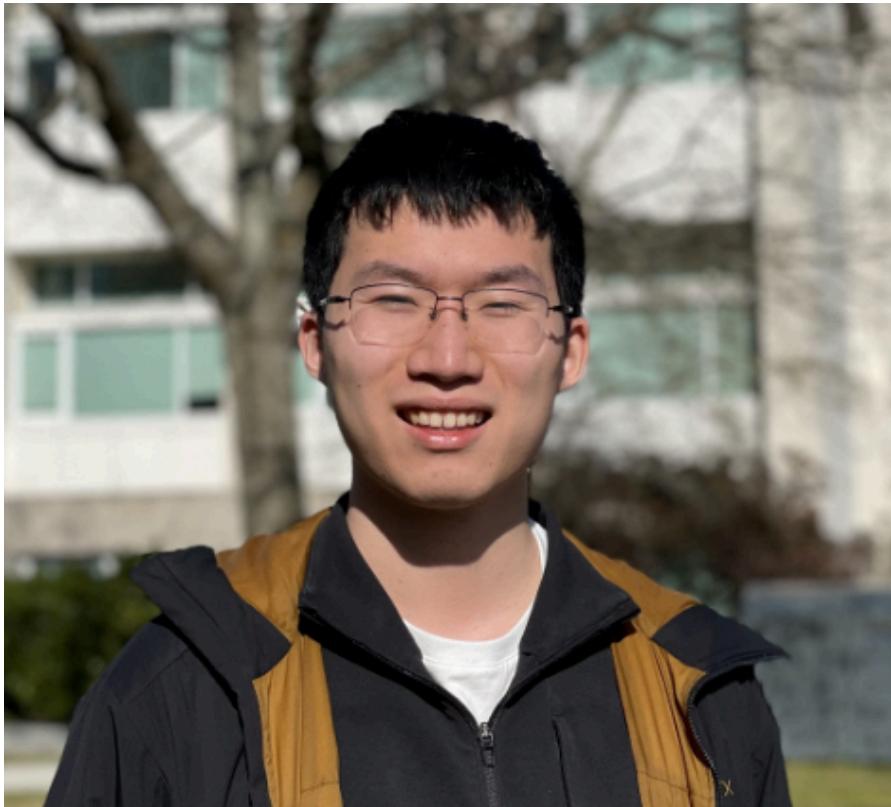
VP Academic

Manan Daga



As a candidate for the VP Academic within CSSS, my commitment to advocacy and support for our student body is driven by a deep-rooted passion for educational enrichment and community development. My journey in student leadership began as the Head Boy of my high school, where I cultivated a keen understanding of the importance of student voice in shaping a nurturing and productive educational environment. Building upon this foundation, I am eager to introduce innovative strategies aimed at enhancing our academic community. I will serve as a bridge between the student body and the administration, ensuring that your voices are heard and valued in decision-making processes regarding course content. I will introduce a mentorship program that pairs upper-year students with newcomers to guide them through the complexities of our field. Additionally, I plan to launch a series of technical workshops to provide hands-on learning experiences and exposure to real-world challenges. Through these initiatives, I aim to not only give students the opportunity to explore practical applications of their classroom knowledge, but also equip them with the skills necessary for their future success in the tech industry. My goal is to create an inclusive, and forward-thinking academic environment for all.

Zihao Huang



My name is Zihao Huang, a 3rd year international student, and I am running to be your next Vice President Academic.

I have been a teaching assistant for 3 terms, which has allowed me to both support my peers and engage in conversations with the professors. I will become a RA this summer, which will provide me with valuable insights on the research opportunities. Beyond academics, I am also currently an executive at the UBC Mahjong Club, where I am responsible for designing and developing our new club website.

If elected, I will foster an environment where the students' academic achievements are supported and valued. Some private tutoring companies give out answers to assignments after students pay an excessive fee, which acts as a hotbed for both academic dishonesty and academic inequity. By expanding the CSSS tutoring service and the exam database, you will be able to directly teach or receive help from your peers, resulting in better learning for everyone, thereby eliminating the reason for the existence of these companies.

I hope to be given the opportunity to bridge the knowledge gap between you and the department and to represent you as your VP Academic.

Darryl Tanzil & Michelle Wang



We're Darryl and Michelle, third-year BUCS/CS students with a drive for learning and connecting the community. We're academic weapons, and we'll help you be one too ;). Michelle is a current CPSC 110 TA, so some of you may recognize her from labs! Aside from academia, we've both done software engineering internships in the gaming industry, so if you're interested in learning more, we'd love to chat. We have a drive to get your voices heard by the CS department and provide the right resources for your success at UBC. Looking forward to being your potential VP Academics!

VP Administration

Grace Lin



Hey everyone! My name is Grace, and I'm excited to be running for VP Admin once more! This past year was my first experience being part of any student organization at UBC. Not only has this been an incredible opportunity to work alongside the team, I've learned a great deal about all the administrative tasks necessary to keep the club running smoothly. I've gained a lot of experience recording meeting minutes, maintaining accurate records, organizing general meetings, and helping out with different club activities. In addition, I've been working hard communicating with the bookstore to bring back the department hoodies, which will be available very soon!

With your support, I would love to continue my role and further contribute to the growth and success of CSSS. I'm fully committed to putting in the effort and I hope you'll consider me for another year! 😊

VP Communications

Eric Lee & Sean Tang



Hi all!

This is Eric and Sean, and we're co-running for VP Communications for the upcoming year. Just a bit of background on us, we're two fourth-year computer science students, and drawing from our experiences in the tech industry, we'd like to approach both internal and external club communications in a new and innovative way. Collaboration comes at the forefront of that approach, internally within the team, and externally with other clubs and students, so that we're able to make sure CPSC students don't miss out on opportunities. With that, we'd also like to reflect on our unique skills to design new merch!

With your support, we're excited to join the CSSS executive team, and contribute to its success!

VP External

Emilie Ma & Iris Xu



We're Emilie and Iris, longtime CSSS members running for Co-Vice-Presidents External. Emilie has been involved since her first year, serving as CSSS Webmaster, Internal Officer, and current Vice-President Academic. Iris was involved with WiCS as the External Director before joining the CSSS External team. We've been directly responsible for revamping CSSS study resources for the first time since 2016, running events like the TCF reaching thousands of students, and securing multiple large industry partnerships to connect students with the best opportunities for academic and professional success.

We're committed to expanding the CSSS's resources around three pillars: industry connections, research opportunities, and entrepreneurship. We know this job market is tough: we pledge to partner with more companies to expand the TCF, host hackathons to build project experience, and create materials to help land your next offer. For those pursuing academia, we'll connect students with faculty and research opportunities and arrange resources, like travel grants, to attend conferences. Finally, we aim to revitalise our startup community for students looking to grow their projects by partnering with other clubs and accelerators.

We're already deeply engaged with these projects: as current team members, we have the context and experience to deliver as Co-Vice-Presidents External.

VP Finance

Ryan Wang



Hi everyone !

My name is Ryan Wang and I'm running for the position of vp finance for ubc csss.

I'm a current third-year majoring in CS that loves getting involved in the community. Previously I worked as a webmaster for UBC SUS, where I designed and built the merch page, which netted over \$10 000 in revenue. I've also been involved with various charity organizations, such as Vancouver Charity Games, and Red Cross, where I helped budget and organize various fundraising events.

As VP finance, I promise to help curate successful events year-round for the UBC CS community and strive to create the best experiences possible for students.

Thanks for your consideration!

VP Internal

Joel Bonnie & Aiden Kerr & Shiyu Li



We're Shiyu, Joel, and Aiden: your current internal officers and trio of VP Internal candidates, ready to elevate the Cube experience to Cube(^3)! We're all about tripling the fun, connectivity, and comfort within our community space.

Cube makeover – We want to reorganize our space to encourage socialization and interaction. We're open to input from everyone, ensuring that our collective space reflects our collective identity. We also propose a structured cleaning schedule among officers. Our approach isn't just about maintaining cleanliness; it's about taking pride in our shared space, fostering a culture of care and respect.

Affordable food – As Internal Officers this year, we've helped broaden the snacks and drinks available. As your VP Internals, we pledge to diversify our options, keep the prices fair and ensure the cube offers the reliable snack and drinks you love!

Chargers – We want to ensure the Cube is equipped with ample charging stations for various devices.

Game nights – We plan to introduce game nights in the cube, as well as explore the potential for streaming events such as super smash bros / mario kart in the cube.

Together, let's cube (^3) your CS experience!

VP Social

Jiaying Ong



Hello! My name is Jiaying Ong, a.k.a. Jin. I'm a soon-to-be 3rd year CPSC student, and I've been a Social Officer for CSSS since my 1st year. Throughout the past 2 years, I've planned and executed CSSS social events such as Halloween and Christmas socials, various giveaways, game nights, and the CS Gala. I've gained insights on what kind of events UBC students would like and how to execute them efficiently.

My goal is to enable CPSC students to make genuine social connections through smoothly-executed, meaningful, and creatively fun social events. I aim to make CSSS social events accessible and enjoyable for everyone, no matter if you're extroverted or introverted, here to network or just to destress.

Alice Fu & Ruby Yang



Hey everyone! We're Alice and Ruby and we're co-running for VP Social. As CS students, we know school can be quite stressful. We believe in creating fun, memorable experiences for students so they can take a break from schoolwork, relax through enjoyable activities, and make new friends!

In our time over the past year as VP Communications and VP Internal, respectively, we have gained a lot of experience with planning and hosting events, as well as liaising with officers and execs to make sure everything goes smoothly, from running marketing campaigns for the Tech Career Fair to keeping the Cube open. With this experience under our belts, we want to bring more exciting events for you next year as your VP Socials!

We aim to enhance the student experience with current CSSS events, including improving the food ticket system for the Welcome Back BBQ and making the Year End Gala more affordable. We'd also like to host more socials for students of all year levels to foster connection and community building, as well as run Krispy Kreme fundraisers to fund more giveaways! We'd love to hear about what events YOU want so we can better serve the CS student community.

VP Volunteering

Ted Lee



Hello!! My name is Ted Lee, and I am running to be the next Vice-President Volunteering for UBC CSSS!

I am currently a fourth-year majoring in CS and love working with people and technology. For the past academic year, I have been lucky to have been a part of the CSSS External team to help organize great experiences for everyone, including the TCF, CSSS Tech Consulting, and various workshops. We still have more events we are planning for everyone this year, so I hope to meet many more of you there!

This year, we made significant progress in furthering UBC CSSS as a gateway to provide resources and opportunities to help students develop their careers. With your support, I would be grateful to continue serving our CSSS community.

Given the opportunity, as VP Volunteering I promise to work hard with our other CSSS members to strive towards creating an inclusive and supportive environment for all. With the experience I have accumulated through working with leaders in the CS community, I plan to devote my time and resources to help empower our members to make a positive impact both within our society and beyond.

Thank you for your time and consideration!