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## Fulcrum Publishing Society – Board of Directors Call for Applications

We are currently seeking applications from individuals of the University of Ottawa community for the following volunteer positions on the 2021-2022 FPS Board of Directors:

- One (1) *University Representative*
- One (1) *Fulcrum Alumnus*
- One (1) *Student Representative*

We are looking for candidates who are responsible, driven and passionate about our mission! We would love to expand our Board with individuals who consider themselves great communicators, team players, or strategic thinkers to help us steer the organization toward excellence. Previous board experience is not required. Please note that these are volunteer positions for a one-year term of office until June 2022, with the option to seek another term at the AGM.

### **About the Fulcrum and Its Board**

Established in February 1942, the Fulcrum is the independent English-language student news outlet at the University of Ottawa (<https://thefulcrum.ca/>). A member of Canadian University Press (CUP), the Fulcrum has been owned and operated by the Fulcrum Publishing Society (FPS), a not-for-profit corporation registered in Ontario, since June 1, 2005. The FPS strives to hold those in positions of power accountable and promote the wellbeing of the University of Ottawa Community through accessible and independent information from on and off-campus.

The FPS is governed by a ten-member board of directors who meet to discuss financial, HR and strategic planning matters for the FPS, with a view to the best interests of the membership and the corporation. The board ensures effective governance and oversight of the Fulcrum and provides insight into achieving the corporation's strategic plan. The board collaborates with the Executive Director and Editor-in-Chief to foster a healthy organizational environment for the Fulcrum's staff and volunteers.

### **Time Commitment**

The expected time commitment is a minimum of five (5) hours per month.

As a member of the FPS Board of Directors, you are required to attend monthly board meetings on the fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. EST (these meetings typically last about two to three hours). You are also expected to serve on at least one of the board committees that meet

monthly on weekday evenings (these meetings typically last about an hour). Our meetings are held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic but may be held in-person at the Fulcrum office once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

### **Essential Requirements**

All members of the FPS Board of Directors must:

- be eighteen (18) or more years of age;
- not have an undischarged bankruptcy;
- not be a member of an executive or full-time employee of the University of Ottawa Students' Union (UOSU) or the Graduate Students Association (GSAED) for the duration of their term;
- not be a member of the Board of Administration of UOSU or GSAED Council; and
- not be an employee of the Fulcrum, own or invest in a company contracted by the Fulcrum

### **Additional Requirements**

The *University Representative* is an individual who is employed by the University of Ottawa in some capacity throughout the duration of their term and who has professional experience in business, marketing, law, public relations, or publishing.

The *Fulcrum Alumnus* is an individual who was a previous paid staff member of the Fulcrum and who has professional experience in business, marketing, law, public relations, or publishing.

The *Student Representative* is a University of Ottawa student who has an active valid student number for the duration of their term and is registered for at least one class at the University of Ottawa during their term. They must not have ever been employed by the Fulcrum.

### **To Apply**

If you can see yourself working alongside other dedicated uOttawa community members and making a difference on the 2021-2022 FPS Board of Directors, this is an excellent opportunity for you! To express your interest, please email Kalki Nagaratnam, the President of the Fulcrum Publishing Society's Board of Directors, at [president@thefulcrum.ca](mailto:president@thefulcrum.ca). In your email, include your resume, confirm that you meet the requirements, and tell us why you want to join and what you believe you can bring to the table in a short statement of interest (max. 300 words). The deadline to apply is **Monday, August 2nd, at 11:59 p.m. EST.**

We look forward to receiving your application!

*The Fulcrum Publishing Society is committed to providing an environment that is inclusive and equitable. Accommodations are available upon request for applicants during the application process for needs related to the grounds of the Ontario Human Rights Code.*