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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 five (5) volunteer positions on the 2022-2023 FPS Board of Directors - a one-year term of office until June 2023, with the option to seek another term at the AGM.

We are looking for candidates who are responsible, driven and passionate about our mission! Team players and strategic thinkers are all welcome to help us steer the organization toward excellence. Previous board experience is not required. We are especially interested in applicants with professional experience in human resources, law, finance, communications, journalism, or publishing.

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.

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). In addition, we hold an annual Strategic Planning Session (in August/September) and Town Hall (in November). We meet primarily on Zoom and occasionally have hybrid meetings at the Fulcrum office or on campus.

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 an executive or full-time employee of UOSU or GSAED during their term;
- not be a member of the UOSU Board of Administration or GSAED Council; and
- not be an employee of the Fulcrum, own or invest in a company contracted by the Fulcrum

To Apply

If you can see yourself working alongside other dedicated uOttawa community members and making a difference on the 2022-2023 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. In your email, include your resume, confirm that you meet the essential 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).

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.