

Spring 2009 Student Senate Candidate Statements

NOTE CONSIDERING LAMONT'S STATEMENT:

[**I ask if candidate responses will be published/posted in the Tangerine or anything of the sort, that this letter in it's entirety be offered as my response to question 2, and that an accurate and detailed snapshot of my response to question 1 also be submitted. Thank You!**]

Name:

Lamont L. Lovell

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate President

Student Senate Senior Class President

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

The Genesis Group 2008-present

Higher Education Committee-student member

Participated in many community service projects to benefit colleges/universities of the Mohawk Valley region.

Worked directly with The College Town Project and it's coordinators to benefit local businesses/organizations through community engagement.

Met regularly with college officials in professional setting to discuss future plans of the committee and had large student perspective input on decision making.

Residence Hall Judicial Board 2007-present

Co-Chair (2008-present)

Student Hearing Officer (2007-2008)

Followed up judicial decisions with report filings.

Authenticated documentation for sanction decisions/appeal applications via signature.

Directly took part in hearing and sanctioning fellow students in regards to violations of Student Code of Conduct.

Student Senate of Utica College, Utica, NY 2006-present

Vice President (Spring 2009-present)

Senator At Large (Fall 2007-Spring 2009)

North Hall Senator (Fall 2006-Spring 2007)

Voted on matters of improvement for the Utica College community.

Voted on approval of student organizations to better enrich the social environment of Utica College.

Voted on the allocation of funds to student organizations of Utica College.

Tutorial Services, Utica, NY Fall '07-present

Guided students through various subjects to improve their grades and boost their confidence.

Arranged weekly meetings with students to foster better study habits.

Junior Class Vice-President, Utica College, Utica, NY Fall'07-present

Assisted President in various functions/organization of 2010 graduates of Utica College

Had significant role in completing fund raising tasks and organizing other members of the cabinet in the absence of the president.

Handled and completed all tasks delegated by cabinet superiors.

Freshman Class President, Utica College, Utica, NY Fall '06- Spring '07

Scheduled and organized meetings to discuss a Class of 2010 gift to Utica College.

Initiated a fund raiser for the Freshman Class.

2.) *What do you wish to accomplish if elected?*

“The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining”-John F. Kennedy

The reason I have quoted the great John F. Kennedy on my application is because I have a firm belief that the time for this Student Senate to rise and take responsibility for the student body is

upon the shoulders of the elected and appointed officials of the Student Senate. I have a strong conviction that my experience and passion would serve the student society at Utica College very well from the position of President. The Student Senate has a unique opportunity to repair it's relationship with the general student body by repairing itself from the inside out, while the 'sun' of occasion shines brightly in the student body's mind, heart, and soul. By relying on my six semesters as a senator from various constituencies, as well as my recent service as Senate Vice President, I am confident I will effectively adhere to my duties as President, as well as attempt to counsel the student organizations of every discipline on this campus on unity, cooperation, and commitment to a better, greater, and more active Utica College. If elected, I only wish to add my dedication and passion to a different office of the Student Senate where true change and governmental transparency can occur, while also attempting to increase organizational alliance. In the words of our constitution, I seek election as President not only to be the 'voice' of the students, but to also aide in the building and maintenance of a truly 'cohesive community'. I appreciate your time in reviewing my letter, and hope to have the unique opportunity to once again serve the Utica College student body.

Name:

Kimberly Crossman

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Chief Justice

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I am currently a Resident Assistant in North Hall. I also have attended a leadership program in Washington D.C. I also believe that I am a natural born leader.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

If elected I will do my best at being fair and just to those who have to go through the judicial process.

Name:

Johnny Jeter

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Chief Justice

Student Senate Senior Class Secretary

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

Student Senate Eboard for 2 years

Executive board with campus organizations since freshmen year.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

Unification of the student body and work on constitution to maintain a fully functional governing body.

Name:

William Chapman

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Secretary

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

senator of the Arts & Sciences this year (freshmen year)

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I hope I can make the senate be functional and efficient

Name:

Hung Phan

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Secretary

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

secretary for student council in high school

member of clubs such as Asian Association, RHA

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

Promote diversity

Welcome and appreciated people from different ethnicities

Name:

Ashlie Torres

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Treasurer

Student Senate Senior Class Vice President

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I have been a senator for 2. 1/2 years. The second semester of this year I was appointed Student Senate Treasurer. I also currently hold the position of Junior Class President. I have also been on Finance Committee for the past 2 years. I was elected Sophomore Vice President.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I wish to continue with my current role as Treasurer and establish a more organized system so that organizations receiving money from senate know the procedure and are updated.

Name:

Kennia Vernard

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Treasurer

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I have been the Secretary of Asa Gray Biological Society for 2 years. I am also the Secretary of the Black Student Union. At home I currently am and have been a manager at McDonalds for 4 years now.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

If I am elected, I hope to help build-up and grow with Student Senate. I also hope to be able to satisfy the student's needs accordingly.

Name:

Suhayl Santana

Senate Position(s):

Finance Committee

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I have been the Administrative Intern for the Womyn's Resource Center for two years. I have been the president of Chi Upsilon Sigma for 2 1/2 years, and have served on the finance committee for 1 year. I've also been an orientation mentor and have been a mentor at leadership weekend. I am also a mentor of IGC and have in the past been a member of RHA.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

To give the students a voice and actually listen to what others want

To put ideas into action and make a difference on this campus, even if a small one, with the help of my peers and student body.

Name:

Nicole Adamczyk

Senate Position(s):

Finance Committee

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I am station manager of WPNR, Utica College Radio Station. I have had experience organizing and running a full staff.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I hope to make sure organizations get funding for events and conferences that will benefit the entire UC campus.

Name:

Cherese Brown

Senate Position(s):

Finance Committee

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I am currently the Senator for Boehlert Hall. I've held that position since Fall 2008. I was the Secretary of my church youth group and I was also a Girls Scout Leader.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

If appointed I hope to further build my leadership skills by not being as passive and more of a front runner.

Name:

Megan Habernig

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Junior Class Vice President

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I have been vice president of my class. I have been a senator for the past two years. I am the Treasurer of Gamma Sigma Sigma. I am Secretary of UC Education Club.

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I wish to help student concerns get recognized. I wish to represent my class as best as I can.

Name:

Audrey Cross

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Sophomore Class President

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I am currently the Utica South Hall Senator

I have been president of my high school Travel Club and Treasurer of my high school freshman Class

I was captain of my high school volleyball team for four years

I am an Assistant Manager at Bird's Marine, Old Forge, NY

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I want to contribute to student senate next year by actually considering clubs and their requests. I will not just vote "yes" to approve everything just to get out of the Senate meeting. I am going to consider the Student Senate budget, and hopefully influence others to think more reasonably about our decisions. Since I have not been at Utica College for two years yet, unfortunately I cannot apply for any Senate officer position or Finance Committee. I would like to continue as a representative for which ever dorm building I am assigned to.

Name:

Kevin Riecker

Senate Position(s):

Student Senate Sophomore Class Treasurer

1.) What Leadership experience have you had that will aid you in a position with the Student Senate?

I currently serve as an off-campus Representative Senator for the Student Senate. I am also an Eagle Scout

2.) What do you wish to accomplish if elected?

I would like to organize the class's finances and promote fundraisers so we have a sufficient amount of money to do what we would like to do our Junior and Senior year.