ASWWU Student Senator Application

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Colton L. Romannose

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Indicate which Senator position you are applying for

College of the Humanities and Social Sciences
Declared Major (if applicable)

Psychology

Candidate Statement: (A candidate statement should address what you would like the appointment committee to know about you, why you are qualified for the position, why you are interested in serving as an ASWWU Senator, and what you plan to accomplish if appointed.) (reply must be no more than 500 words)

Hello, name is Colton Romannose and I would like to submit my application to be considered for the ASWWU Senate position. I am a first-generation college student enrolled with the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. I am currently majoring in the psychology department. I was transfer student from the Northwest Indian College (NWIC); of which I was fortunate enough to serve on the Student Executive Board (SEB) as Vice President of Finance. Despite being in a different job category, the skills I learned while in this position have prepared me with the skills to successfully complete the responsibilities of the ASWWU Senate position. Along my academic endeavors I have been fortunate enough to work with various clubs and organizations in my previous role as assistant to student activities. These positions have helped me to realize the importance of clear open communication between the student body and faculty and administration. I would like an opportunity to help student’s voices be heard on matters that are important to students and the community at a whole, especially with the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. If I were in this position, I would make sure students voices and demands are heard to the best of my abilities.

What does it mean to you to have a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion? Explain how you would address students' concerns and advocate for all students in your constituency (e.g. college, grad school, or at-large), especially underrepresented or historically marginalized students? (reply must be no more than 500 words)

I believe that a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion is a commitment that must be lived in its entirety. I believe that it is important to have charisma and support these tenets especially when it is hard to do so; yet it is of greater importance to be able to stay focused and motivated when life makes it hard to stay committed to your virtues and values. Among all students at-large it is vital to understand the specific needs and challenges each of these
subsets of students face. Understanding these needs is very important especially during the pandemic where unforeseen challenges are constantly arising. As a first generation Native American I come from an unrepresented marginalized background; growing up with this identity has helped me to build resilience in the face of adversity as I progress through my academic path and career path. I believe this background can assist me in understanding many of the common academic difficulties marginalized students face, in order to better promote student success.

In this role, you would be working with students, faculty, staff administrators, and fellow senators. How will you go about forming positive working relationships with these different groups? (reply must be no more than 500 words)

I will utilize technology to communicate as much as possible with students, faculty, staff and administrators. I believe that during the COVID-19 pandemic it is important to utilize as many resources as available to communicate as much as possible in order to make up for the lack of face-to-face communication. While this position will include meeting other members of other positions, I believe it is important to understand the people behind these job titles more in-depth. It can be beneficial in doing so to find common ground in our goals, and ambitions to positively support and motivate each other. It would also be important to keep up to date with relevant departments, students and staff about upcoming events and deadlines. With everyone working remotely I believe communication is very important to staying connected.

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Do you currently have the required WWU G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher?  

Yes

Will you maintain the minimum credit load throughout term of position of 6 undergraduate credits or 4 graduate credits?

Yes
Are you eligible for employment in the United States?

Yes

If selected as a Senator appointee, will you be able to begin the position immediately and serve the full term, through Spring Quarter 2021?

Yes

Discussion

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