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For

Students with Disabilities Liason

I'm in my 3rd year here at Capilano University, this is my first time running in the student union elections. As Students with Disabilities Liason I want to provide services to more students at Cap. Currently the focus of this committee is to attend to students who self-identify with having a disability and are willing to deal with it publicly. Many people chose to deal with things personally. Those students who chose to not come forward or include themselves with the committee deserve the same representation and treatment as others.

As Cap has installed a Student Health and Dental plan it is important for students to know what they are getting out of it, what coverage they have and how it works. Informing students about the health plan is a priority for me and an important step in taking full advantage of this service which we pay for. Continuing to table in the cafeteria and setting up information sessions are key ways to get this knowledge out to students.

Capilano also has many funding and academic options available for students who suffer from disabilities. This includes disabilities that are less obvious and are not typically thought of in association to the term "disability". Issues very common to a wide range of students like depression, ADD/ADHD and learning disabilities don't carry visual indicators but effect students nonetheless. Reaching out to these students and providing to information and materials to allow them the fullest chance to succeed academically is an essential responsibility for the Students with Disabilities Committee.

As an institution of higher learning our school can play an important role in the community and as the institution grows so to must the ambitions of the student union. Working hard, with more ambitious projects, to serve the students and stepping out into the community to apply our academic and moral education to work is what we need from our student representatives going forward.

Please vote for me Students with Disabilities Liason