

Nomination Statement
YUFA Vice-President - External

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I am a member of the Politics department and am currently serving as both Vice President-External for YUFA and as a Steward for my department. In the past ten years I have served on most of my departmental committees, have served two terms as Coordinator of the Political Science MA Program, and have served on the faculty-wide Senate Review/T&P Committee. Since 2015 I have chaired the LA&PS Ad Hoc committee on Governance. The committee was formed to examine a wide range of governance issues in LA&PS and at York that continue to be challenging. Its mandate is to review the rules and practices in LA&PS in order to strengthen collegial governance.

As YUFA VP External I have been active on a number of fronts. I have participated in Stewards Council, YUFA's Labour Management Committee, have been a YUFA delegate to CAUT (Canadian Association of University Teachers) and OCUFA (Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations) policy and other conferences, as well as the NUCAUT convention (CAUT's affiliation to the Canadian Labour Congress). I was partly involved in the work of organizing the new Faculty/Grad Club Co-op (opening soon!), worked on enhancing the Long-Term Disability Benefit for YUFA members, and am involved in a YUFA Finance committee that is exploring ways of improving YUFAs internal finances. I was also involved, with YUFA staff and the administration, in working out the kinks and implementation of the Sun Life health card that was introduced in the summer of 2017.

I have participated, on behalf of YUFA, in the deliberations and campaigns of the Cross-Campus Alliance (CCA). The CCA is an umbrella group of all of the unions on campus. We have organized campaigns and mobilized our members for \$ 15 and Fairness, supported the Aramark food workers campaign for fair wages on campus, and brought attention to both the precarious work of Contract faculty colleagues and health and safety issues on campus for YUFA colleagues, students and staff (i.e. the state of washrooms!). I have participated in the Ontario Federation of Labour's (OFL) Fair Employment week, and with campus groups in the Drop the Fees Day of Action, as well as organized YUFA's participation in Labour Day activities with other OFL unions.

I have recently, with YUFA colleagues, begun to organize a Working Group for purged/exiled colleagues from Turkey and other scholars at risk. I have brought my previous experience as a trade union educator and work with the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives to the role of YUFA VP External. Over the past year and a half I have been committed to working with colleagues and groups at York, and other universities, to enhance democratic participation, collegial governance, and to defend the rights of YUFA members. In this challenging era of neoliberal change at

York and across the university sector in Ontario (and Canada) I hope to be able to continue this work with and for YUFA colleagues.