

TSRC Candidate 2024/2025

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CANDIDATE MANIFESTO

As a proud member of the Tygerberg student community, I pledge to be a voice for accountability, accessibility, and engagement with all members of the Tygerberg Student Union (TSU). The mandate and vision of the TSRC by Stellenbosch University, speaks to and emphasises the importance of a democratic body founded by students for students. Having served on numerous structures within student governance and experienced the apparent campus culture, I feel that I am well placed to serve TSU and demand change. I would like to see the University utilising every mechanism to support students on their academic journeys. Not only would I like all members of the TSU to feel they are a priority, but I would like them to feel secure in this fact. To achieve these goals, students must be aware of the structures in place to serve their needs and accountability by student leaders made a priority. The TSRC is unique in its function which mirrors the uniqueness of our reality, Tygerberg Campus is a distinct community with its own unique challenges. The TSRC should be a body which pursues the interests of its community whilst being conscious of our place within the setting of the University at large as an important and relevant stakeholder and should aim at creating an environment which actively seeks collaboration between students irrespective of their degrees. The TSRC should represent an accessible means by which students may convey their challenges, advocate for the change, and champion the agenda brought forth by the TSU – these are my core beliefs, and should I be elected ones I would hope to pursue.