## TSRC Candidate 2024/2025 Misiwe Makate



In a world often divided by differences, our strength lies in our unity through inclusivity. I believe that every individual, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, ability, or background, deserves respect, dignity, and equal opportunities. Inclusivity is not merely a concept but a guiding principle that shapes our actions, policies, and interactions. First and foremost, inclusivity starts with empathy and understanding. I pledge to listen actively and empathetically to the voices of those who have been marginalized or oppressed or excluded. By amplifying these voices, I aim to create a community where everyone feels valued and heard. Education is a powerful tool for change and the past years we have seen students especially those on NSFAS having trouble with allowance issues resulting in them lacking basic necessities. I commit to advocating, supporting and being a voice for these students to ensure that they are not left behind or excluded. Inclusivity requires proactive steps to dismantle systemic barriers. I will advocate for policies that promote equal opportunities for all. This includes advocating for different groups of people and being an active activist on campus. I recognize that inclusivity also extends to environmental stewardship and sustainability. Our commitment to inclusivity includes ensuring that all communities have access to clean air, water, and resources. Environmental policies will be crafted with consideration for their impact on marginalized communities. Inclusivity is a journey, not a destination. I acknowledge that I may make mistakes along the way, but I pledge to learn from them and do better. I invite dialogue and collaboration from the student body to continually improve and refine my approach to inclusivity. Together, we can build a future where inclusivity is not just a goal but a lived reality. By embracing diversity in all its forms, we enrich our collective experience and create a more just and compassionate compass for students to come. Join me in this mission to champion inclusivity and ensure that everyone has a seat at the table. Together, we are stronger.

