

TSRC Candidate 2024/2025

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CANDIDATE MANIFESTO

The values of the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences are inclusivity, compassion, accountability, respect, equity, and excellence (also known as ICARE2). These values, once close to the Tygerberg SRC, need to be brought back. I believe that the Tygerberg SRC has lost touch with what happens on the ground, and the people too have lost touch with their leaders. Communication from the top is one the issues I have noted that they contributed to this breakdown. From the TSRC communicating matters late to them or not communicating them at all, this has led to students losing faith in this council and its capabilities. I envision a Tygerberg SRC that regains the trust of the students they represent by being more transparent with the day-to-day running of the council and with what meetings or committees they form a part of. Transparency breeds accountability, which ultimately breeds trust. Students should trust that the information and concerns they raise with the council fall on the right ears and that their voices matter. I also want the council to be more visible on campus and not only engage with students during office hours. Through the attendance of events hosted by House Committees, Societies and the Tygermaties Cluster, I hope that students gain confidence that the TSRC will relate to matters they are facing as they are too on the ground alongside them. I hope to use the experience and the well of institutional knowledge I have gained over the many years as a student leader serving on societies, leading a House Committee and leading Tygerberg Student Parliament to lead a Tygerberg SRC that is trustworthy and relatable, and will take the TSU to even greater heights.