



UNIVERSITY OF  
NEW ENGLAND

INNOVATION FOR A HEALTHIER PLANET

January 2023

Fellow UNE Students,

Are you looking for a new leadership opportunity unlike any other? The application process is now open to fill two **Student Trustee positions** for 2023-2024, one for each campus. Each is a full voting member of the University Board of Trustees, and must attend all meetings that are held throughout the year. The new Student Trustees-Elect will start shadowing us at our June 3 and 4 Trustees meeting, and will take over as full members beginning July 1. Student Trustees are also responsible for co-chairing the Representative Council made up of members from all student government organizations located on the Biddeford and Portland campuses.

Enclosed you will find the application materials for this position including:

- Application Time-line
- History of the Position
- Application Instructions
- Petition Form for Student Signatures
- Candidate Evaluation Forms (3)

We strongly encourage you to apply for this unusual opportunity to have real input on the Board of Trustees which guides the future of UNE. If selected as a Student Trustee-Elect, you will meet some extraordinary people while bringing a very unique student perspective to the UNE Board of Trustees.

We will be available via email for any and all students who have questions about this important and rewarding role, or about the application process. We will make every effort to meet personally or in a group to provide information for interested students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joshua J. Golden".

Joshua Golden  
Student Trustee, Portland Campus  
Doctor of Dental Medicine, Class of 23  
[jgolden1@une.edu](mailto:jgolden1@une.edu)

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ethan Kennedy".

Ethan Kennedy  
Student Trustee, Biddeford Campus  
Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Class of 2024  
[ekennedy5@une.edu](mailto:ekennedy5@une.edu)

# Student Trustee-Elect

## Applicant Information Packet

2023-2024

### Application Time-Line

<b>January 18, 2023</b>	<b>Applications and Advertising Begin</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Office of Student Affairs BC, Decary Hall Room 129</li><li>• Office of Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services (COM) Stella Maris 229</li><li>• Graduate &amp; Professional Student Affairs, PC, Proctor Hall, Room 02</li></ul>
<b>Wednesday, March 1, 2023 - By 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Submission deadline for all candidate materials to one of the following locations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Office of Student Affairs BC, Decary Hall Room 129</li><li>• Office of Recruitment, Student and Alumni Services (COM) Stella Maris 229</li><li>• Graduate &amp; Professional Student Affairs, PC, Proctor Hall, Room 02</li></ul>
<b>Tuesday, March 7, 2023</b>	Representative Council's Meeting to review and evaluate applications.
<b>Week of March 20, 2023 - Dates to be announced</b>	Candidate Finalists meet with Senior Advisor to the President, John Tumiel
<b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday, March 28 &amp; 29, 2023</b>	Candidate Finalists interview with the Representative Council
<b>Tuesday, April 18, 2023</b>	Combined Representatives Council Meeting
<b>June 2 &amp; 3, 2023</b>	Candidate Finalists meet with Trusteeship Committee, Student Affairs Committee, and attend Board of Trustees Meeting

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#### **This Packet Contains:**

- Applicant Information
  - Brief History and Position Descriptions
  - Application Process
  - Qualifications and other relevant information
- Petition Form (1)
- Candidate Evaluation Forms (3)

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Office of Student Affairs  
University of New England  
Decary Hall, Room 129  
11 Hills Beach Road  
Biddeford, ME 04005

Office of Graduate and  
Professional Student Affairs –  
Portland Campus  
University of New England  
Proctor Hall, Room 02  
716 Stevens Avenue  
Portland, ME 04103

Office of Recruitment, Student  
and Alumni Services  
University of New England  
Stella Maris, Room 229  
11 Hills Beach Road  
Biddeford, ME 04005

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The Offices of Career Services are available for assistance in developing your resume.

Please contact:

Biddeford Campus  
Learning Commons  
207-602-2096

Portland Campus  
Hersey Hall, Room 110  
207-221-4237

**University of New England  
Student Trustee-Elect  
Candidate Information  
2023-2024**

**A Brief History....**

In the fall semester of 1996, students from the Community Development Task Force on the Biddeford campus presented the concept of a Student Trustee position to the University Council. The students who presented the idea articulated the desire of students for an expanded voice in the University governance structure, which would demonstrate an increased commitment to community. They described the importance of a student presence on the Board as a reminder of the purpose for which the University exists.

Encouraged by interest from the University Council, the Task Force began the process of research and the development of a proposal for consideration by the University Council and Board of Trustees which took into account the unique nature of the University. A full proposal was presented to the Board of Trustees in the fall of 1997, yielding much discussion and several revisions.

At the October 1998 Board of Trustees meeting the proposal was approved by the Board providing for a University student to serve as a full voting *Student Trustee* member of the University's Board of Trustees.

In the fall of 2002, the Representative Committee, which became the Representative Council, opened discussions around the potential value of adding a second Student Trustee to the University Board of Trustees. It was proposed that a second Student Trustee would broaden student perspective on BOT committees and provide an equally accessible resource for the student populations on both campuses (one Student Trustee from each campus). At the February 2004 Board of Trustee meeting the proposal was unanimously approved by the Board providing for a second University student to serve as a full voting Student Trustee member of the University's Board of Trustees.

**The Position...**

The Student Trustee position is the means by which students play an integral part in the decision-making process at the University of New England. The students holding these positions play a dual role, serving as: 1) liaisons for the entire student body and 2) Trustees for the University of New England. It is the intention of these positions to foster the continued link between administration and students.

## Application Process

There are two ways in which a student's candidacy for the **Student Trustee** position may be initiated: 1) nomination by a recognized UNE student government or organization, or UNE faculty, staff, or administration; and 2) self-initiated candidacy.

**Any student wishing to be a candidate for the Student Trustee position must meet all qualifications as outlined in the *Qualifications* section below, and provide the following:**

Submit the following to the Office of Student Affairs by **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 1, 2023.**

- 1) a letter written by the candidate, which should include:
  - reasons for pursuing the position
  - assessment of the candidate's qualifications for the position
  - goals the candidate would like to achieve while in the position
- 2) a current resume
- 3) a petition signed by 50 students who support the candidacy; students may sign more than one petition (attached to this packet of materials). Applicants are encouraged to gain support from students from all colleges
- 4) no less than three (3) and no more than five (5) Candidate Evaluation Forms (attached to this packet) with corresponding Letters of Recommendation which meet the following criteria:
  - i.* one from a University of New England faculty, staff or administrator who can evaluate the candidate's skill and abilities as they relate to this University position
  - ii.* one from someone who can evaluate the candidate's experience in a post-secondary governance position
  - iii.* One from a current or former employer
  - or
  - iv.* One personal reference from a non-relative who has known the candidate for more than a year

Completed candidate application materials will be forwarded to the Representative Council for the review of applications and selection of a group of finalists to be interviewed on **Tuesday, March 28 and Wednesday, March 29, 2023.**

After the interviews, the Representative Council will then forward **Student Trustee Elect** candidates' names to the Committee on Trusteeship of the Board of Trustees who will interview the **Student Trustee Elect** candidates and then recommend to, and present the names to, the Executive Committee and the full Board for final approval.

In the meeting of the Board of Trustees, on June 2 & 3, 2023, the **Student Trustee Elect** candidates will be voted upon by the Board. The **Student Trustee Elect** candidates will be present and introduced. Upon official election by the Board, they will be permitted to begin their terms beginning July 1.

## **Qualifications**

Candidates for the **Student Trustee** positions must meet the following qualifications from the time of candidacy through the term(s) served:

- 1) be a matriculated student in a college of the University of New England. The positions are open to all undergraduate, graduate/professional program students completing course work on the Portland, Biddeford, or Tangier Campus, or other study abroad locations during their term of service;
- 2) maintain a positive disciplinary/student status record;
- 3) maintain a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA or be in satisfactory academic standing in programs where no GPA is calculated; (Exceptions to these minima relative to documented learning disabilities will be reviewed on an individual basis.);
- 4) will have had post-secondary governance experience (including, but not limited to, college or university governance, public service/community government, etc.);
- 5) must be able to attend **ALL** regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meetings and other meetings designed for the position held.

## **Terms of Service**

**Student Trustee-Elect:** June Board Meeting – June 2 & 3, 2023.

**Student Trustee:** July 1 through the June Board Meeting of the following year.

## **Position Responsibilities**

The Student Trustee will have all responsibilities as outlined by the University for its Board members, with the following exceptions:

- 1) Personal financial giving will be waived in lieu of other fund raising responsibilities.
- 2) If travel is required to attend Board of Trustee meetings, travel costs will be paid by the University of New England.
- 3) The Student Trustees will attend and co-chair all meetings of the Representative Council.
- 4) The Student Trustees-Elect will have no voting privileges on the Board or on the Representative Council.

## **Representative Council**

**Definition:** A council comprised of the presidents of each of the student government organizations of the University and one (1) additional representative appointed from each student government organization.

**Purpose:** The Representative Council will ensure that students from all colleges and each campus of the University will have the opportunity to bring forth information from the constituents they represent. The Student Trustees and Student Trustees-Elect are responsible for relaying this information at the Board of Trustees meetings.

### **Guidelines for the Representative Council**

- 1) Each student government organization will select one representative who, in addition to the group president, will be appointed to the Council.
- 2) The meetings will be co-chaired by the Student Trustees.
- 3) To insure regular communication by students from across the University, meetings will be held on a monthly basis.
- 4) The term of appointment to the Council for the presidents and representatives is the start of the fall academic semester through the conclusion of the following spring semester.
- 5) Council Advisors will be the Vice President of Student Affairs and a second advisor to be appointed by the Council and Vice President of Student Affairs.

**Student Trustee-Elect**

**Petition Form**

2023-2024

By signing this form you are showing your support for this student to serve in the capacity of the **Student Trustee-Elect** for the Board of Trustees of the University of New England. It is a position that requires maturity, critical-thinking, commitment, insight, and a willingness to represent the entire student body. It is permissible to sign the petition of more than one candidate. Signatures are subject to verification. RETURN with application no later than **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 1, 2023.**

Name of candidate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Print

	<b>Date Signed</b>	<b>Printed Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>College (CAS, WCHP, COM, CDM)</b>	<b>Expected Grad Year</b>
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OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

2023-2024 Student Trustee  
CANDIDATE EVALUATION FORM

To be completed by the candidate:

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\_\_\_\_\_ I waive my right to review this form and the attached letter.

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to maintain my right to review this form and the attached letter.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

To be completed by the evaluator:

This position is an important one to the University and the student body, and carries with it responsibilities which require a blend of the skills listed below. Please rate this applicant using a scale of 5 (highest) to 1 (lowest) with 3 representing "average". Please comment briefly on your assessment of the candidate in each skill area.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. **Communication skills:** verbal communication, written communication, assertiveness skills, ability to relate to a wide variety of individuals.

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. **Leadership skills:** initiative, flexibility, motivated, responsible, inclusive.

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. **Organizational skills:** dependability, punctuality, ability to manage time, ability to fulfill commitments.

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. **Maturity:** ability to communicate values, personal goals, strengths and weaknesses, patience, sense of humor, objectivity.

Comments:

(over)

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. **Understanding of and compatibility to the position:** familiarity with responsibilities of the position, ability to be a positive role model, supportive of university policies and procedures, ability to work within a system.

Comments:

In summary of the ratings and comments above, I would: (please check one of the following)

\_\_\_\_\_ strongly recommend this person

\_\_\_\_\_ recommend this person

\_\_\_\_\_ recommend with reservation

\_\_\_\_\_ not recommend this person

How long have you known this person and in what capacity?

Your assessment of this applicant will be of great assistance in the selection process. **Please attach a letter of recommendation that would include any supporting statements that may be helpful.** If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Offices of Student Affairs, at 207-221-4212 (Portland Campus) or 207-602-2372 (Biddeford Campus). Please return this form **no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 1, 2023 to:**

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Your signature

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Print your name

<b>If necessary, how may we contact you?</b>		
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