



**DAGS**  
Dalhousie Association  
of Graduate Students

## 2021 Election Nomination Form

**DEADLINE – May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021 – 11:59pm**

Electronic submissions accepted. Send to [cro@dags.ca](mailto:cro@dags.ca)

### Instructions:

Please fill out the following questionnaire and email in digital copy to [cro@dags.ca](mailto:cro@dags.ca) by May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 at 11:59pm. DAGS will be posting your answers for students to get an idea of your campaign platform.

Please either direct or forward a minimum of two graduate student [DAGS members] emails to support you nomination (@dal.ca email required). These must have the senders' name, B00#, and articulate their support.

*An email attestation can only count as a signature from the student's Dalhousie email address.*

### Important Dates:

- Nomination forms due to DAGS Office or emailed to [president@dags.ca](mailto:president@dags.ca) – May 3<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 11:59pm
- Campaigning – May 4<sup>th</sup> 2021 – May 8<sup>th</sup> 2021
- Voting – May 9<sup>th</sup> 2021 – May 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 11:59pm
- Results – To be declared on the [dags.ca](http://dags.ca) website

### Questions or Concerns?

Contact the DAGS President – [president@dags.ca](mailto:president@dags.ca)

**Name:** Anas Tahir

**B00 #:** B00826550

**Program:** MASc in Biomedical Engineering

**Year of Study:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Year

### QUESTIONS:

#### **Please introduce yourself (100 words):**

I came to Canada last year in Jan 2019, started my graduate school. I learned a lot and got involved in several initiatives during my one year journey. I got involved in Dalhousie International Student Association and conducted several events as VP Events, most recent one is the Gala. I learned through several first aid courses and served as Mental Health Volunteer for Dalhousie Medical Campus Response Team. I also participated and helped Japanese Society at Dal as Vice President during several events. I served as VP Finance and Operations for a year (2019-2020) for DAGS, restarted the books, figured out the missing information,

filed for Joint Stock, CRA and conducted or supported our VP Student Life in several events at DAGS. More about the work I did during my tenure can be found out in my Yearly report.

**Please identify your top five (5) platform points:**

- 1) Leadership + Management
- 2) Budgeting and Finance Management
- 3) Be first to serve the community
- 4) Support and Assist
- 5) Be the voice of the Graduate Students

**What are your qualifications and/or experience that relates to the position you're running for?**

I am Capricorn and I am pretty good with finances I suppose. I already have served DAGS for a year and I think I am completely capable of overlooking the finances and operation for another year. Therefore, I will run for Vice President Finance and Operations of Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students.

**Why do you think you are a good candidate?**

I have good knowledge of financial documentation; I am highly active in the society and I try my best to hear first before speaking.

**What are the top three (3) things you'd like to accomplish during a term at the DAGS?**

I would like to make the DAGS office more accessible to Graduate Students, restart the space booking service. Reach out to more graduate students physically and virtually so that they can know the services that DAGS offer. Revise the policies and assess the budget allocation along with developing some professional financial statements generation. Increase the transparency by publishing financial statements, Agendas and Minutes of all the Council and Board Meetings. Try to get more graduate students and societies involve by filling the committees. Start Peer Support groups.

**What issues matter most to you?**

The discrepancies and misunderstanding between the folks at Dalhousie University. If I can reach to masses and I am available, I think I can clarify misunderstandings. Graduate Mental Health, by starting peer support focused for graduate students.

**Please List any Campaign Links (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Website):**

See the attached marketing/campaigning poster.

**CONSTITUENT SUPPORT: TWO (2) EMAILS REQUIRED)**

In light of COVID-19, the requirement for ten constituent signatures will be waived for this election. Nominees will instead require a minimum of two emails from Dalhousie graduate students who are DAGS members to support their prospect of governance. Emails should include the name and B# of graduate student emailing, and be sent from Dal email address [within the domain of @dal.ca]

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Fallen Matthews – [fallen.matthews@dal.ca](mailto:fallen.matthews@dal.ca)

*Thank you for your application*

