USQ Law Society VP Ipswich and VP Comps Nominations 2025

Nominations Per Position:

VP Competitions: William Smith

VP Ipswich: Nikano Batista

Statements:

VP Competitions

William Smith

Give a brief description about yourself.

An ambitious first year law student looking to support the legal industry in Toowoomba.

Give a brief overview of what you're hoping to achieve within the position.

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What do you hope to achieve in the position?

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Do you have any previous experience with the USQLS?

No previous experience.

VP Ipswich

Nikano Batista

Give a brief description about yourself.

I am currently a first student pursuing a double degree in Law and International Relations. I have completed a Certificate IV in Justice Studies. My interests include governance, diplomacy, and social justice issues, and I am always looking for opportunities to expand my knowledge and contribute to impactful projects.

Give a brief overview of what you're hoping to achieve within the position.

I am hoping to utilise this opportunity to contribute to the growth and development of the law society by promoting greater engagement among members and a collaborative environment; as well as promoting initiatives that support both professional and academic progress. I am particularly interested in enhancing student participation in the society and create awareness for networking events and career development programs, while also advocating for more inclusive and diverse opportunities within the society. My goal is to help the society work towards building a supportive community that empowers students to thrive both during their studies and beyond.

What do you hope to achieve in the position?

I aim to strengthen the society's presence within the Ipswich campus and broader community by encouraging further member engagement and strengthen a culture of collaboration and professional growth. I hope to lead initiatives that support students' academic success, enhance their career prospects, and provide more opportunities for practical learning experiences. Ultimately, I want to help create a more inclusive, dynamic, and supportive environment that encourages every member to reach their full potential through various events and opportunities.

Do you have any previous experience with the USQLS?

I do not currently have previous experience with the USQLS, but I'm eager to gain valuable leadership skills and contribute to the society in a meaningful way. This role presents an opportunity for me to step outside my comfort zone and apply my passion for law, governance, and student engagement in a practical setting. I'm hoping to develop my ability to work collaboratively with a team, organise impactful events, create personal and professional relationships; and gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities faced by students in the legal field. Overall, I see this as a chance to both learn and contribute to the society.