

Executive Candidates:

Adam Papin—Senior BFA Furniture Design
President



“After havin4g served on ASNMU as Up Campus Representative and Student Affairs Chair for ASNMU, I understand firsthand the strengths and challenges of student government here at NMU. Given this, one my principal foci for the academic year would be to strengthen not only the visibility of ASNMU within the campus community but also its accountability towards it. One specific way, I would ensure this by asking representatives to pass changes to the bylaws requiring that meeting agendas and all support materials (budgets, legislation, etc.) be posted on the ASNMU website and outside our office forty-eight hours prior to the meetings, as well as minutes for each meeting posted forty-eight hours after each meeting.

Additionally, if elected, I would ensure that NMU’s students are heard all the way in Lansing. With the slashing of the state’s education budget and the proposal to tie state funding to student retention rates, the future for NMU students remains volatile. As President, I would strengthen or renew relationships with groups like the Student Association of Michigan (SAM) and our elected officials to ensure that our collective voice is heard on a state level.

Another key issue for me is continuing to work with Dining Services to strengthen the relationship with the student body. During my time on ASNMU, I have worked closely with Greg Minner and his staff to voice the concern of students through a series of Let’s Chat opportunities, as well as on the Food Advisory Board, seeing concerns addressed and numerous improvements made, in response. The student body would benefit greatly from this continued relationship.

These are just a few of the goals I have for ASNMU for the upcoming year, and I am excited at the potential opportunity to serve campus as ASNMU President.”

Ben Stanley—
President

Dani Thoune—Majors in Special Education and Cognitive Impairments and Art Education Ceramics
Vice President



“I am running for VP because I have been on the board for four years and have seen the good, the bad, and the ugly. I know what good can come from ASNMU. I have seen it with the Hobie administration my freshman year and with Jason my sophomore year. I want to do more to empower students and give them a voice. I know that students don’t have the best opinions about ASNMU but we have done good and I want to make sure that ASNMU in on a positive note before I graduate.”

Kelsey Hayes—Senior Sports Sciences Major/ Cluster minor for Sports Sciences
Vice President



“I’m running because Drew got me involved with ASNMU and he’s the Vice president. Because I’m friends with him, I feel like he can lead and mentor me to be vice president. I just want to get involved basically for my last year here.”

General Assembly Candidates:

Troy Morris—Freshman Psychology Major/ Behavioral Analysis Minor
College of Arts & Sciences Representative



“I believe having a voice for the students of NMU is one of the most important things that can be done. We all are students, yet too often lose a voice in matters that concern us greatly, and this is what I have sought to change with my participation in ASNMU. Between meeting with the city manager, multiple deans, and even other universities from around the state, I have always sought the best for my constituents and fellow students here at NMU. In just my short time here, I have also organized functions of ASNMU to better terms. As Academic Affairs Chair, I mandate greater openness from my fellow representatives, so that we can all serve the students we represent. I have sought changes to printer policies all over campus, and hope to see greater improvements in the coming year. Re-elect me as a College of Arts & Sciences Representative, and I will continue to help NMU and its students to the best future possible. This wonderful school is my home; I defend and improve it as such, because it’s a great day to be a Wildcat.”

Rachael Fisher—Senior Biology Major
Off Campus Representative

“I’m Trying to gather information on possibly getting a student union on campus. I also take great pride in the NMU community as well as ASNMU and I would love to represent the off-campus students another semester.”

Leann Herrman—Sophomore Psychology Major/ Biology Minor
Down Campus Representative

“I’ve been on ASNMU for a year and I’m active on campus.”

Alex Nye—Junior English Writing Major/ Double minor in History and Art
College of Arts and Sciences Representative



“I chose to run because I would like to bring back The Wildcat Market. For those who don’t know what Wildcat Market is, it was an opportunity for students to make their own products and sell them to fellow students in a market atmosphere. Every aspect of it was about the student body. Being elected as representative for ASNMU would go a long way in making Wildcat Market a reality.”

Megan LaRocque—Senior Secondary Education Social Studies Major/ History Minor
Off- Campus Representative



“While living on-campus I was involved in many groups and had many opportunities, and I want to continue to be involved while living off-campus.”

Abby Roche—Freshman Undeclared
General Studies Representative



“Meeting new people and networking within groups is one of my favorite returns of being involved in organizations. ‘A brain is a society of very small, simple modules that cannot be said to be thinking, that are not smart in themselves. But when you have a network of them together, out of that arises a kind of smartness.’ This quote by Kevin Kelly really embodies the power of networking and making connections. NMU is full of students that when all put together can make a difference, and I would love to be a key part in connecting students and my constituents around campus.”

Brittany Voich- Junior Elementary education major/ Spanish minor
Professional Studies Representative

“I have been on ASNMU for a while now, I like knowing how things work and I like getting involved with an organization such as ASNMU. I look forward in trying to help the students in this upcoming year.”

Jacob McDaniels-
Professional Studies Representative

Amber Lopota-
Arts and Sciences Representative