

**WESTERN MICHIGAN  
UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT BODY  
ELECTIONS  
SPRING 2024**

**VOTER GUIDE**



# VOTER INFORMATION

## WHAT DOES MY VOTE MEAN?

Each and every student at WMU gets to vote in this election. Not only is your vote important, but your voice is as well. This year, you get to elect your new Student President, as well as vote on a potential increase in tuition. Make your voice heard, decide on important issues, and vote!

## WHEN DO I VOTE?

Voting takes place from 8am on February 21 to 8pm on February 28.

## HOW DO I VOTE?

Voting takes place electronically. Log into GoWMU, then click apps. To the right of Elearning is ExperienceWMU (it's yellow). Once you click on it, you will be taken directly to the poll, where you will be able to vote.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

There are two questions on the ballot, one for Student Body President and the other for increasing the Student Assessment Fee. Make sure to vote for both!

# MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

## Presidential Candidate

### Alex Kasprysk

Alex is a junior at WMU majoring in Biology and minoring in Marketing and Chemistry.

“I have been in the Western Student Association since the first month of my freshman year! I have been the Senator (now Academic Chair) for the Lee Honors College, Secretary of the Senate, a member of the Allocations Commission, and Director of Marketing and Outreach. I love serving the Student Body!”



## Vice Presidential Candidate

### Luke Kritzman

Luke is a sophomore at WMU majoring in Piano Performance.

“I have been proud to represent the College of Fine Arts in the Western Student Association by being the Academic Chair for the college.”



## Executive Chief of Staff Candidate

### Jordan Dunn

Jordan is a Freshman at WMU majoring in American Public Policy and minoring in Economics.

“I joined WSA before I was 18! I am currently serving as Executive Officer of University Pride.”



# Kasprzyk/Kritzman/Dunn

“Luke and Alex get things DUNN by making Western your home”

The Kasprzyk/Kritzman/Dunn slate believes in making WMU your HOME. Through being honest, effective, and thinking onward for the Brown and Gold, we can help you find your meaning at WMU.

**Alex and Luke get things DUNN!**



Alex and Luke get things DUNN by making Western your HOME! We value honesty and transparency, which ensures organizational integrity and stability. By thinking onward for the Brown and Gold, we bring in new ideas for Bronco Pride! We also want students to find their meaning at WMU by supporting campus and community engagement. It is important for us to be effective in our job of serving the student body, and we will do that by ensuring each aspect of the WSA is functioning well.

## MAKING WESTERN YOUR H.O.M.E.

### Honesty:

Honesty and transparency ensures organizational integrity and stability. We want students to understand what the Western Student Association does. The Kasprzyk/Kritzman/Dunn slate also wants the Student Body to feel comfortable going to WSA for help

### Onward:

Bronco Pride is important. it is what we all feel when cheering on our team at a sports event, while wearing some WMU swag or seeing any sort of Maroon and Gold combination with the letters “CMU”. We want to create more pride at WMU that students will hold on to even after they graduate. The slate also wants to lead WSA with a forward thinking Mindset

### Meaning:

Every student at WMU deserves a welcoming environment to thrive in. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, the definition of engagement has changed in several ways, and students just do not have the capacity to study, work and be involved in plenty of RSOs and that’s OKAY! Being passionate about your academics or finding your meaning through other university departments are other ways students can be engaged and we acknowledge that.

### Effective:

There are many aspects of the Western Student Association. However, there is one main goal: To serve the Student Body of Western Michigan University. It is important for us to be effective in our job of doing so, by ensuring each aspect of the WSA is functioning well.

# The SAF Increase

## What is the Student Assessment Fee (SAF)?

The SAF is a \$42 fee paid by all students, every semester, which goes to support Registered Student Organizations (RSOs), Leadership Development, and the Campus Community. The fee directly supports students with events like CAB Concerts, Mental Health Week, RSO Events and more!

## What is Wrong With the Current Level?

Due to exponentially increasing student engagement on campus, we are allocating more than we are bringing in

## What Would it be Raised to?

A raise of just \$20 would bring the SAF to \$62 a semester, which would sustain student engagement for the next 5-10 years, allowing broncos of this generation and next to reach their full potential

## Why Should I Vote Yes?

Even if you aren't a part of every club, it goes towards amazing clubs and events led by students just like you! The State of Michigan sets maximums on the yearly raise in tuition, so a raise in the SAF decreases the total amount that tuition can be raised by.