

Vote for Student-Elected Trustee



SHAWN KONG (xk22)

What do you consider the top 3 priorities for the President and Trustees to address? Using specific examples, how will you use your position as trustee to improve Cornell?

1. More Financial Aid, 2. More Career Opportunities, and 3. More Engaging Student Life Tuition
1. Stop runaway tuition and fees and reduce tuition, and room and board expenses increases to inflation.
2. Cut family contributions and reduce work-study requirements

in financial aid package.

Career

1. Strengthen collaboration among career services in different colleges to increase job and internship/externship opportunities
2. Enhance alumni network and communication/exchange programs

Life

1. Improve student facilities (community centers, gyms, on-campus pub...) and on/off-campus housing
2. Provide free gym and bus passes
3. Enhance the support to diverse cultures, Greek society and athletics

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Relevant Experience

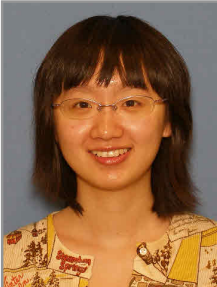
- * Initiated and pushed the establishment of the new College of Science, Business School, public image system and honor system in Renmin University
- * Advocated Cornell to implement the no-loan financial aid
- * Collaborated with one of the current trustees to advocate for the preservation of the existing Code of Conduct to protect students' rights
- * In charge of \$420, 000 graduate by-line funding allocations to Athletics, Big Red Barn, Cinema, CUPB, Club Insurance, Cornell Concert Commission, Emergency Medical Services, GPSA, GPSAFC, ISPB and Slope Day
- * Organized to pick about 100 new students up from Syracuse/Ithaca airport

Community Involvement

- * Columnist, Cornell Daily Sun
- * Executive President, CSSA
- * Funding Policy Chair (Treasurer), Graduate and Professional Student Assembly
- * Teaching Assistant, Cornell Summer College
- * Member, University Assembly
- * Member, Cornell Sport Tae Kwon Do Team

Special Interests

- * Writing for the Sun
- * Business/University Strategy and Management
- * Weight training to try to be as strong as King Kong
- * Martial Arts
- * Environmental Responsibility
- * Classic Music and Movies
- * Voicing suggestions and opinions to the administration
- * Negotiation and debate
- * Searching delicious food in Collegetown



XIAOXIAO LI (xl97)

What do you consider the top 3 priorities for the President and Trustees to address? Using specific examples, how will you use your position as trustee to improve Cornell?

I consider as the university's fund-raising ability, quality of teaching and research, ease and diversity of student lives the top 3 priorities.

As to improve the living at Ithaca, I'd like to discuss one issue that many students are concerned about. When traveling to other cities, flights flying from Ithaca airport cost more money and time comparing with those taking off from other cities near Ithaca (e.g. Syracuse). But currently, the bus to Syracuse costs ~\$50 one way. A trustee can urge the university to provide cheaper and more frequent commute to Syracuse or other major cities near Ithaca.

Relevant Experience

I don't have governance experiences of any kind, nor I was a leader of any group. My only relevant experience would be I was in my college debate team and I am never afraid of standing up for what I believe is right.

Community Involvement

I used to offer hospice to the seniors and the patients with incurable cancer as a member of the Love Union in Beijing University. At Duke University where I had my Master degree, I was a participant in the outreach program, which aims to introduce chemistry to the kids and initiate their interest in science by demonstrating interesting experiments.

Special Interests

- * more financial aid, including internal awards, fellowship for all student
- * less stress on competition for grades
- * more effective communication between the administrative officers and individual students
- * a more pleasant and diversified student life
- * a more eco-friendly campus
- * cheaper and more frequent transportation to other cities



WHITNEY PATROSS (wep6)

What do you consider the top 3 priorities for the President and Trustees to address? Using specific examples, how will you use your position as trustee to improve Cornell?

1. Safety. While Cornell is making great strides in campus safety, this still remains a top priority.
2. Sustainability. Its important that Cornell be a socially responsible organization to ensure it can be sustained both

environmentally and economically.

3. Improving communications. We need to ensure there is proper communication both between the students and the school, and between the various branches of Cornell so students can access all the great resources Cornell has available.

As a trustee, I would meet with a wide a variety of students to ensure everyone is being represented and the major issues are being addressed.

Relevant Experience

I have had the opportunity to experience many parts of Cornell so I would be well positioned to represent the student body.

- * Attended Cornell for Undergrad - Arts & Science Class of 2005
- * Currently am back at Cornell for Law School - Class of 2010
- * Have lived in North Campus Dorm, Collegetown house/apt., West Campus Apt. and Graduate Student Housing
- * Have taken classes in schools of Arts and Science, Ag Life, Hotel, AAP, ILR and Law

Community Involvement

As Undergrad:

Played intermural sports, participated in CEO, Member of the sailing team where I served as treasurer, and worked with the team and the town in the decision to use lake front property for a boathouse rather than a hotel.

As Law Student:

Public Interest Funding (decorations committee); Animal Legal Defense Fund (fundraising chair); Environmental Law Society (secretary).

Special Interests

Not submitted.



MIKE WALSH (mjw66)

What do you consider the top 3 priorities for the President and Trustees to address? Using specific examples, how will you use your position as trustee to improve Cornell?

- * Bringing Cornell's disparate academic, social and cultural communities together.
- * Implementing the Presidents Climate Commitment and campus Sustainability Action Plans.
- * Strengthen Cornell's graduate & undergraduate financial aid offerings.

As trustee I will continue to work closely with the GPSA, SA and other student organizations. We'll take ideas like the Graduate Community Initiative, the Collegetown Vision Statement, vibrant residential communities, a connected Greek system, and interdisciplinary academic opportunities, and we'll turn these possibilities into reality. We'll make sure that Cornell becomes a place where any student can partake in any opportunity that this great institution affords. Check out <http://www.votemikewalsh.com> for details.

Relevant Experience

- * Graduate Resident Fellow, Hans Bethe House
- * GPSA Vice President, Secretary, representative to University and Student Assemblies
- * Graduate representative to Presidents Climate Commitment Implementation Committee
- * Sole student participant in Cornell's Advancing Sustainability Action Plan Retreat
- * Lobbied state offices for increased student aid
- * Cornell delegate to Graduate & Professional Ivy Leadership Conference
- * Represented graduate student needs at Campus Master Plan workshops
- * Successfully fought against increases in transportation fees for graduate students
- * 2007 Student Activities Office Distinguished Student Volunteer Award Winner
- * TA for Engineering

Community Involvement

- * Envisioned and facilitated development of the Graduate Community Initiative (<http://gradschool.cornell.edu/gci>).
- * Assisted in developing and planning the first year anniversary event to celebrate President Skorton's signing of the Presidents Climate Commitment and ensured that there were student groups presenting their efforts at this event.
- * Connected Engineers for a Sustainable World with Campus Life to perform an energy efficiency study on the Gothic dorms.
- * Two time Slope Day volunteer.
- * Taught courses on Environmental Economics to incarcerated youth at the Lansing Correctional Facility and Louis Gossett Jr. Center as part of Expanding Your Horizons workshop.

Special Interests

I am a former three season, varsity student athlete in track and cross country. Since those days, I have competed in several marathons including the Boston Marathon. I am also a fervent fan of Big Red Athletics, especially the hockey, track and volleyball teams. For my doctoral studies I am researching chemical oceanography and environmental engineering. I grew up enjoying the ocean and the mountains and hope to commit my life to researching ways to protect these and other natural resources. I also enjoy teaching, outreach and public service. You can learn more about me at <http://www.votemikewalsh.com>.

Vote until 10am, Wed, April 16. Check e-mail for instructions. More info at:

<http://assembly.cornell.edu/Elections/2008SpringStudentTrustee>