

University of Manitoba Faculty of Law

2023-2024

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN



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Dear Graduating Class of 2024,

As Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Manitoba, it is my honour to celebrate you, the resilient and inspiring graduating class of 2024.

As you prepare to embark on your journey into the legal profession or further study, I want to commend every one of you for your unwavering dedication and resilience in the face of unprecedented challenges.

Your time at the University of Manitoba has not been without its trials. From navigating the uncertainties of late Covid lockdowns to persevering through a university strike and grappling with complex international conflicts, you have demonstrated remarkable strength and determination. Despite these obstacles, you have emerged as a class marked by your tenacity, adaptability, service, and unwavering commitment to your studies.

As you step into the next chapter of your lives, remember the lessons you have learned during your time here. Embrace the values of integrity, ethical practice, duty, empathy, inclusion, and fairness that lie at the heart of the legal profession.

Your experiences have equipped you with the tools to make a real difference in the world, whether it be through your work in the courtroom, the boardroom, or the halls of government (perhaps some of you will choose academia?). You are the future leaders of the legal profession, destined to influence the rule of law, commerce, and access to justice across Canada and beyond.

As you embark on this new chapter, know that the Faculty of Law at the University of Manitoba stands behind you. Congratulations, Class of 2024. I have no doubt that you will go on to accomplish great things. I hope you remember Robson Hall as your intellectual home and that you stay in touch as you continue lifelong learning in our profession.

DR. RICHARD JOCHELSON
DEAN

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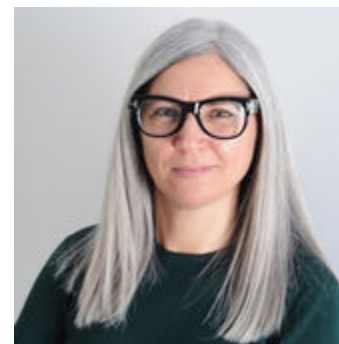
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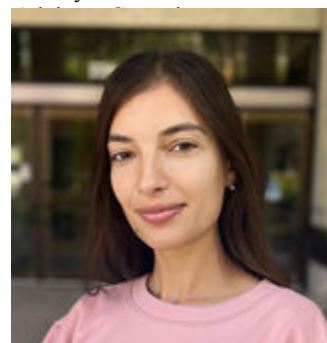
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Our Beloved Faculty & Staff



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Robson Hall,

It's hard to believe that three years of law school have passed by so quickly! Writing this message, I can't help but think back to how far we have come, especially the graduating class. From doing 1L almost entirely online, to 2L with masks at school, to a 3L that finally looked 'normal', we have managed to not only survive law school, but a pandemic, online learning, and constant changes. I like to think we are a resilient bunch – and I am proud of us.

Being your president this year has been an honour and a privilege that I cannot thank you enough for. I want to thank the rest of the executive, Selene Sharpe, Thomas Mooney, and Eric Gagnon for your hard work, great attitudes, and your friendship. Your dedication and determination as a team allowed us to accomplish our goals of making Robson Hall feel like a home for everyone. I also want to thank all of the elected and appointed members of the MLSA, the committee chairs and co-chairs, and all other committee members – you all worked tirelessly this year to make Robson a better place. The MLSA would not be the MLSA without you all!

I want to thank Dean Jochelson and ADJD Schulz for a great year. I would also like to thank Laura Reimer and Jenna Chemerika for being so supportive and thinking outside of the box for policy development in supporting Robson students, you are truly the best! A special thanks also needs to be given to Lily, Trina, and Lisa – you are so wonderful and make Robson Hall better every day!

This year, and the two before it, have passed so quickly that it hardly seems real – so I hope looking back at this yearbook gives us all the chance to realize that it was very real. Thank you to the team for putting this book together with no guidance after a full pandemic of no yearbooks. You are a dream team!

To sign off one last time as president, I would like to leave you all with the wise words of Elle Woods: "You must always have faith in people. And most importantly, you must always have faith in yourself. Congratulations class of 2024 – we did it!"

JAYDEN WLASICHUK
MLSA PRESIDENT

The Manitoba Law Students Association



"If you ever feel delusional, don't worry, I'm still waiting for a One Direction reunion (please reach out to me if you ever get tickets, please and thank you)"
Jayden Wlasichuk, President (2023-2024)



"Considering there are no stupid questions, I sure asked a lot of them along the way"
Thomas Mooney, Vice-President Finance (2023-2024)



"With love,"
Your 2023-2024 MLSA Executive



"You can take the boy out of the small town, but you can't take the small town out of the boy."
Eric Gagnon, Vice-President External (2023-2024)



"Permission to have fun, your honour?"
Selene Sharpe, Vice-President Internal (2023-2024)

MILSA

The Manitoba Indigenous Law Students Association



Left to Right: Marc Kruse, Director of Legal Learning and Services, Yvan Laroque, Clinical Instructor, Dominique Gibson (3L), Melinda Moch (3L), Sarah Shuttleworth (1L), Nadine Plourde (2L), Carlie Kane (3L), Mary-Charlet Lathlin (2L), Assistant Professor Daniel Diamond, Shelby Sinclair (3L), Zackery Anderson (2L), Assistant Professor Leo Baskatawang.

Photo: MILSA members attending the 35th annual Indigenous Bar Association conference hosted by the Chippewas of Rama First Nation held in Ontario. At the IBA Conference, Shelby Sinclair was re-elected to the position of Vice-President First Nations of the National Indigenous Law Students' Association for the 2023-24 year.

Thank you to the incredible 2023-2024 MILSA Executive Team:

Raven Richards (VPI First Nations); Melinda Moch (VPI Métis); Mary-Charlet Lathlin (VPX First Nations); Dominique Gibson (VPX Métis); Nadine Plourde (VP Finance); Shelby Sinclair (VP Professional Development); Kim McGinnis (VP Mental Health & Wellness); Janell Jackson, Raven Morrisseau, Logan Nadeau (1L Reps); Paige Mayo (2L Rep); Carlie Kane, Jessica Prince-Senecal (3L Reps/Advisors).



Melinda Moch, President of the National Indigenous Law Students' Association 2022-2023.

Melinda Moch

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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It fills my heart with immense pride and gratitude to address you in my last days as your President. As we navigate through the ups and downs, the triumphs and challenges, the National Indigenous Law Students' Association stands shoulder to shoulder in our coordinated efforts to support our fellow Indigenous Law Students. Our membership is built upon the principles of connectivity and alliance. Together, we have stood up for what is just, always remembering that our greatest strength lies in our unity.

First and foremost, to bring the past year to a close, I want to thank our most amazing Executive Team this year for their constancy and reliability. The knowledge and comfort of being joined by such incredible folks in this journey was, each and every day, a true source of joy.

I commend each and every one of you for your resilience and unwavering spirit as Indigenous Law Students. Your present and your future are of such importance to our communities and our people across Turtle Island. We tread incredibly rough terrain. We often walk these journeys alone - as "firsts" from our families or communities. My mother (usually in the kitchen, peeling or chopping vegetables) would wisely remind me that the weight of hope is equal to the weight of a human child, for children are the future. For Indigenous students, the weight of hope is much heavier. It is the weight of all future Indigenous students that we carry, for they are the key to our future.

This past year has showcased the unparalleled strength of our community in the face of many emotional days. Let us continue to support and uplift one another while we break down the barriers that have been placed in our way and clear the terrain for future students.

Wichinihsoon kwayesh ko-pimootshet.
Help us to walk in a good way.

Migweetch, Manil,
Melinda

NILSA EXECUTIVES 2022-2023

Melinda Moch, President	Sarah Schmaus, Second Year Rep.
Shelby Sinclair, Vice-President First Nations	Sarah Turcotte (Johnson), Third Year Rep.
Sege Hartmann, Vice-President Métis	Kyle Jordan Bisby, Black/Indigenous Rep.
Megan Reti, Vice-President Finance	Anita Cardinal, Incoming Student Rep.
Brooks Cross-Worobec, Communications Officer	Mayhwa Clara Rondrea, Civil Law Rep.
Kate Anderson, Communications Officer	Casey Caines, IBA Rep.
Vaughn Beaulieu-Mercredi, First Year Rep.	Brendan Schattl, IBA Rep.



First Years - Class of 2026



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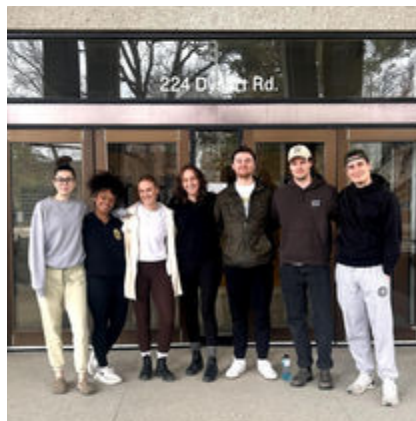
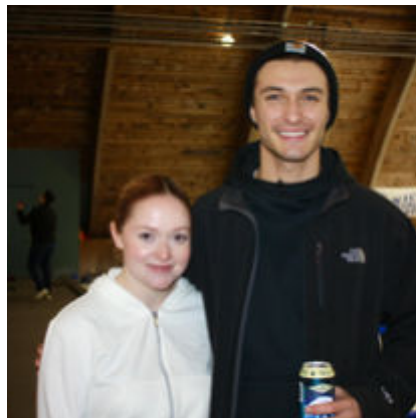
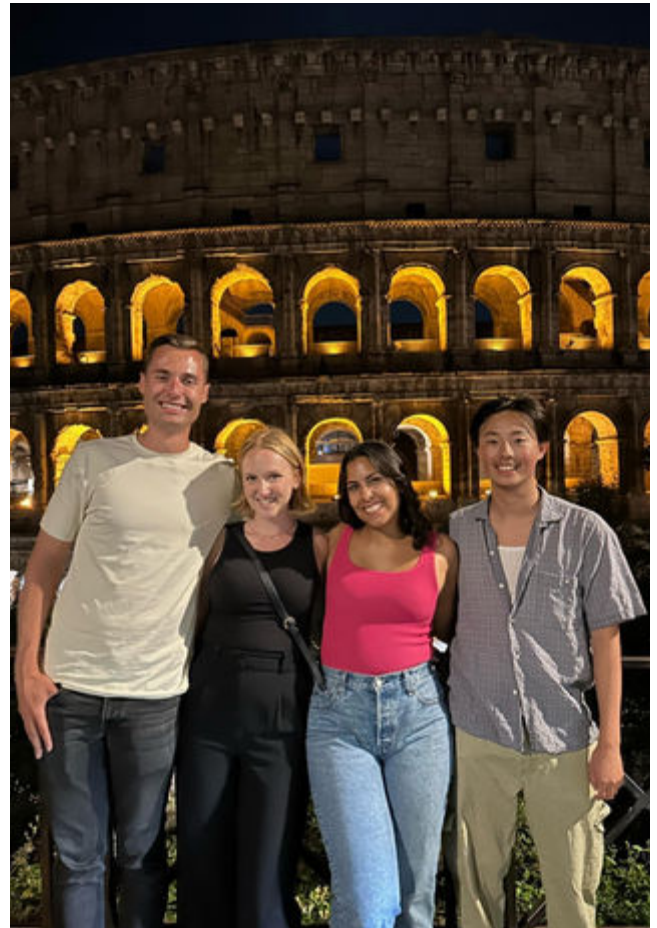
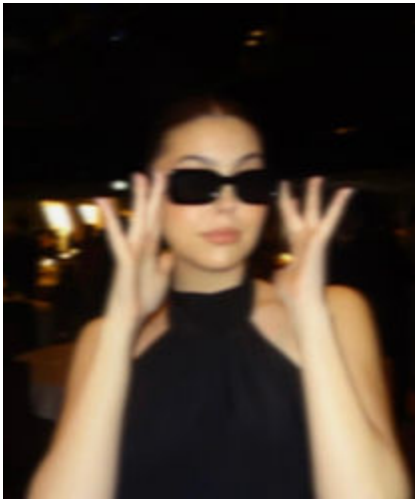


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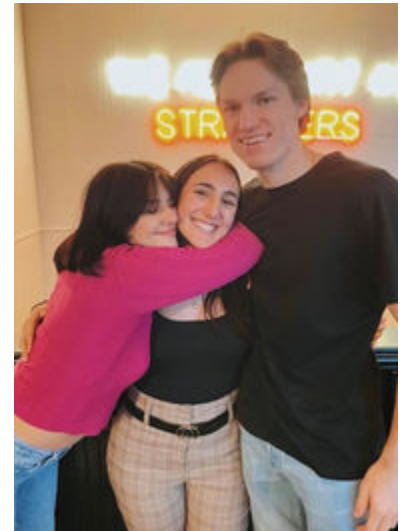
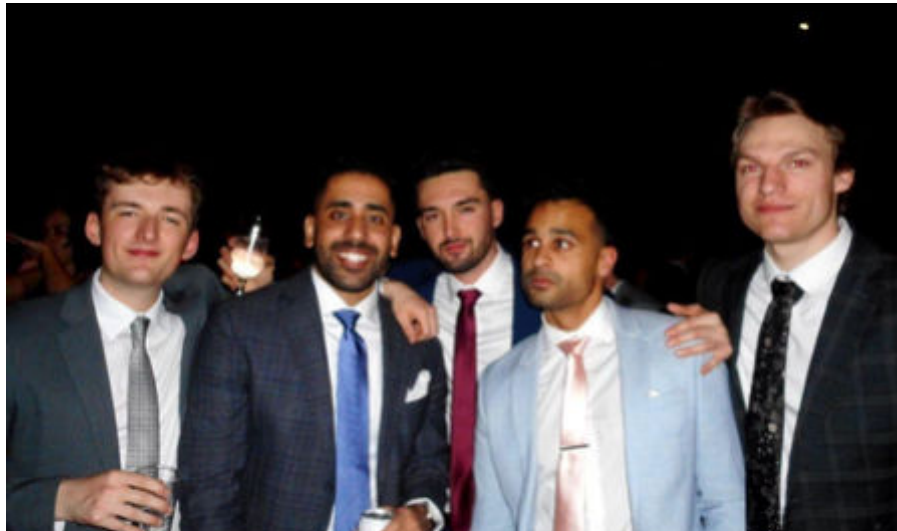
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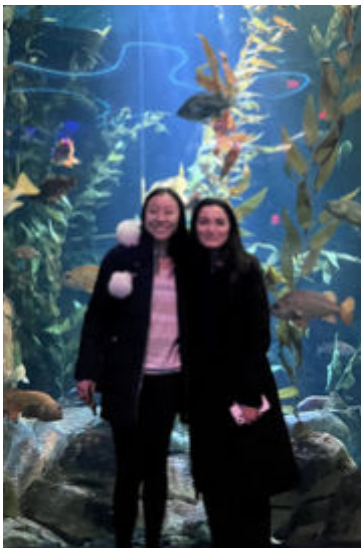
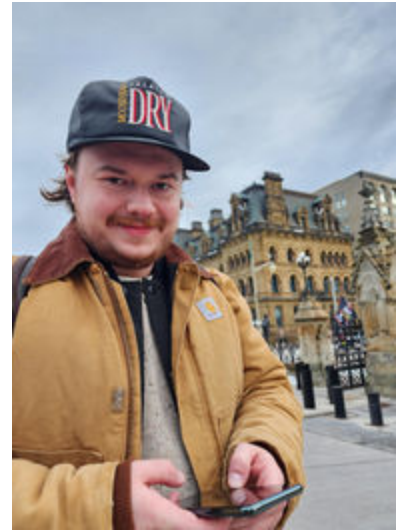


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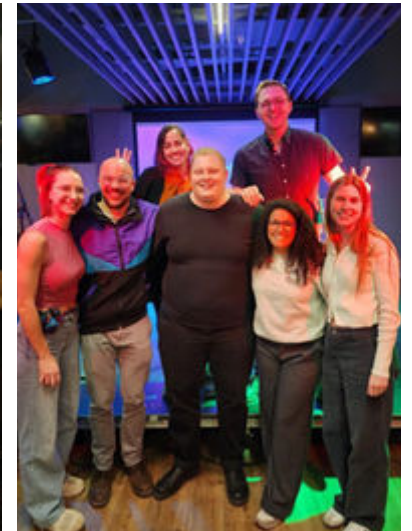


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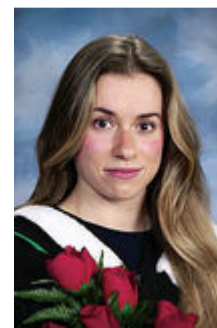
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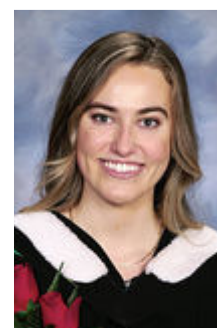
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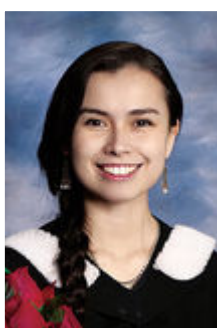
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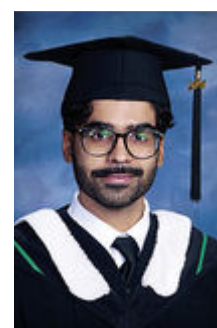
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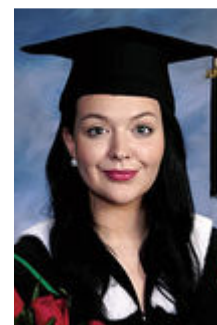
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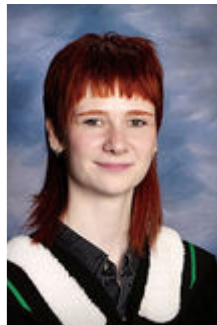


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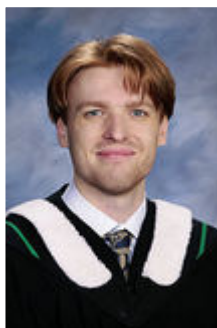
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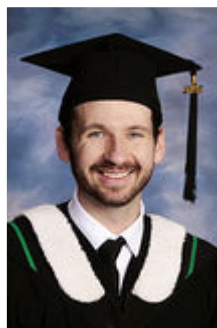
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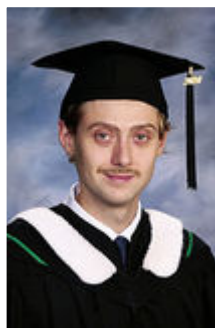
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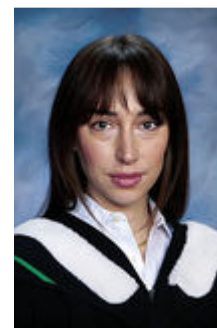
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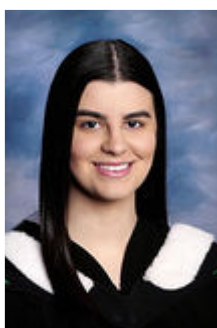
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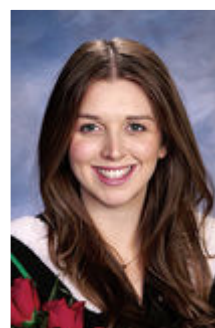
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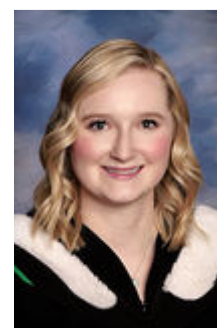
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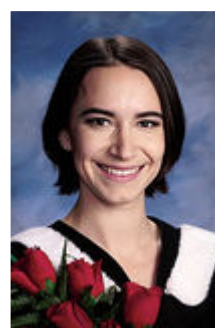
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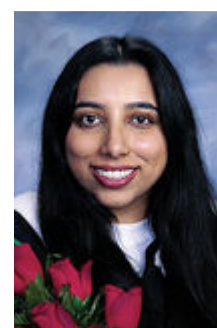
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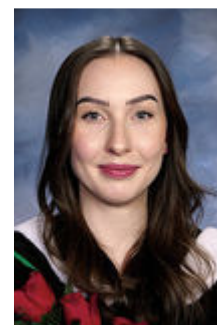
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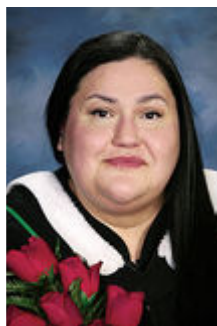
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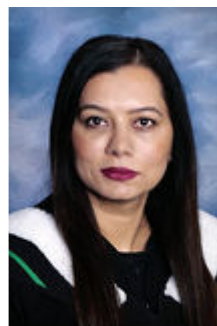
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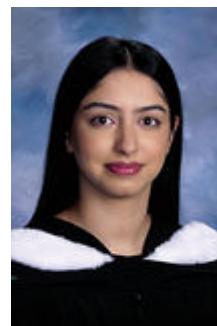
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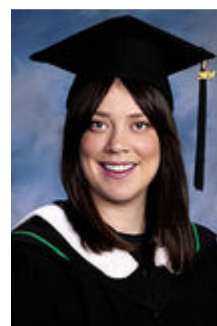
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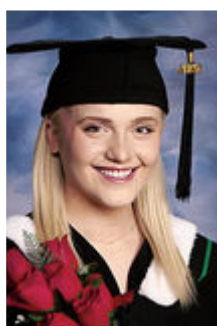
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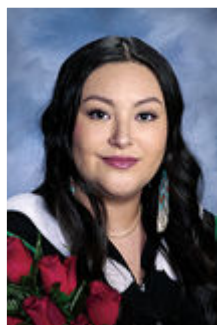
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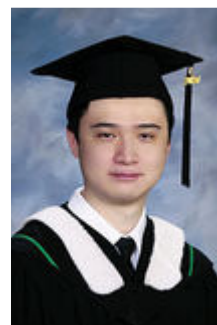
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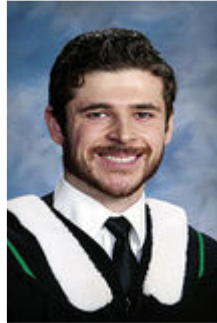


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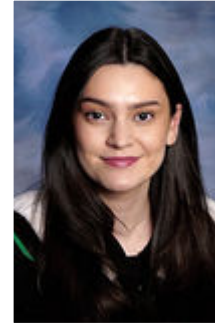
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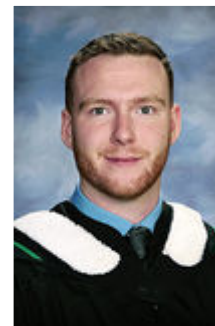
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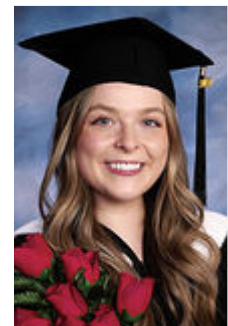
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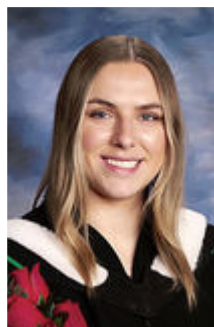
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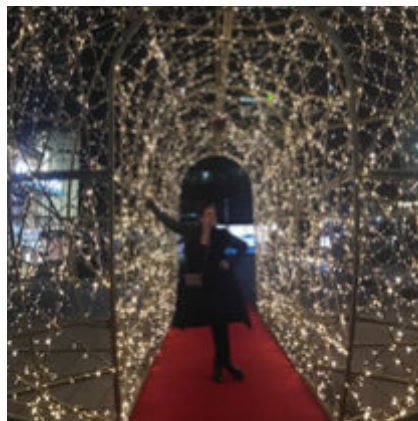
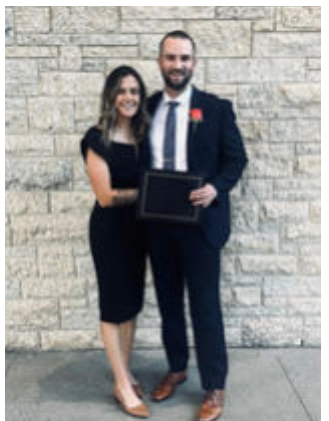
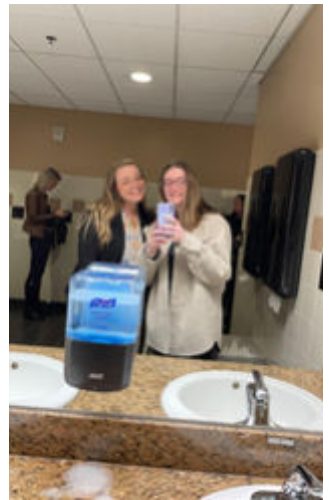
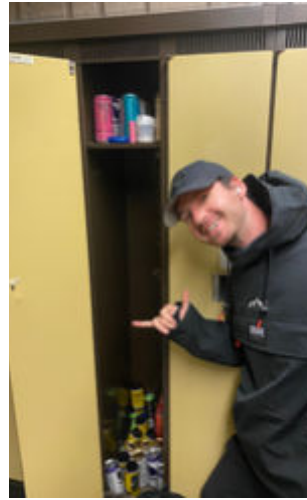


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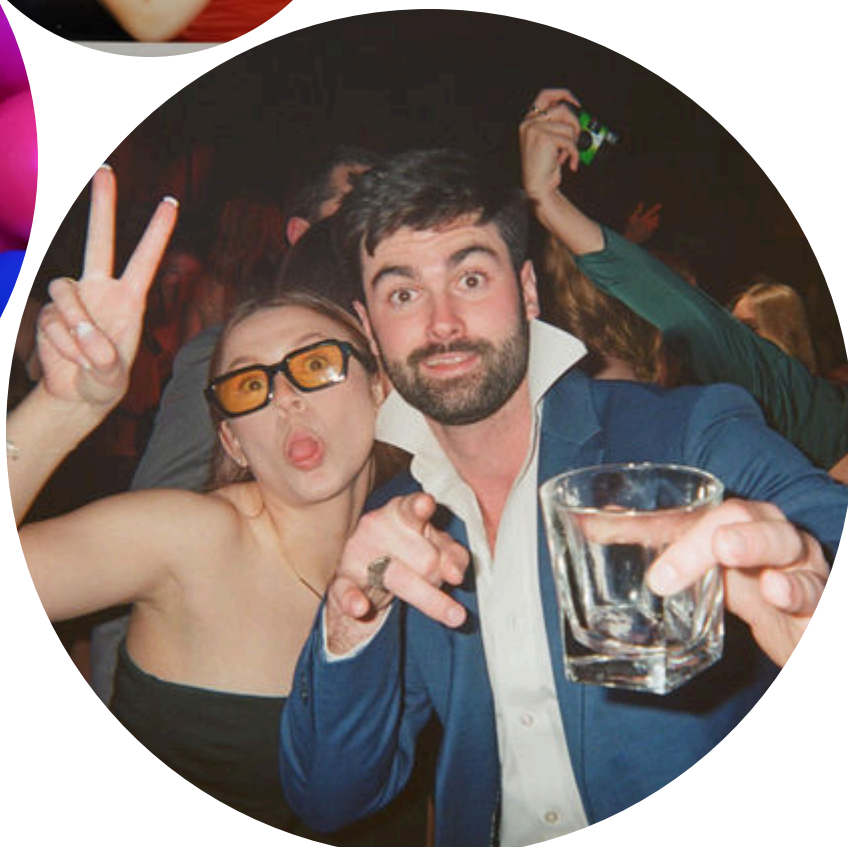
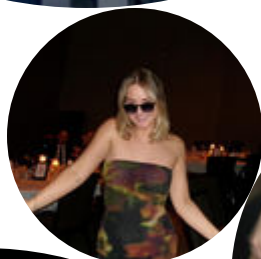
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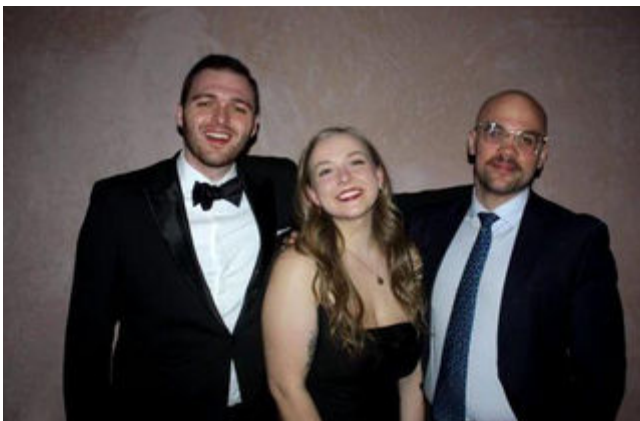
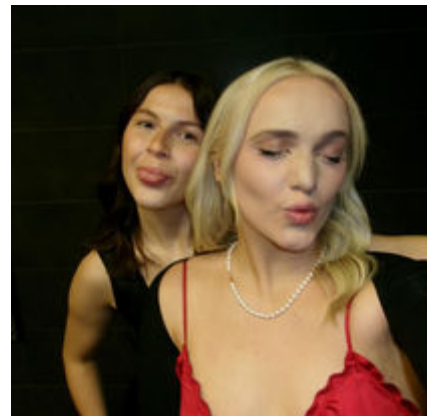
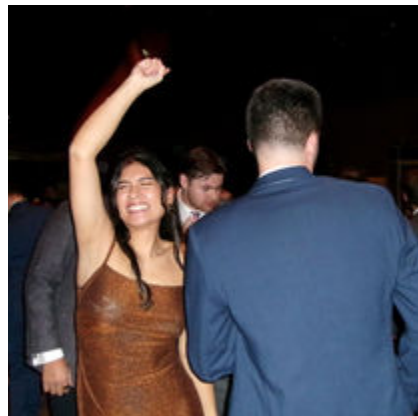
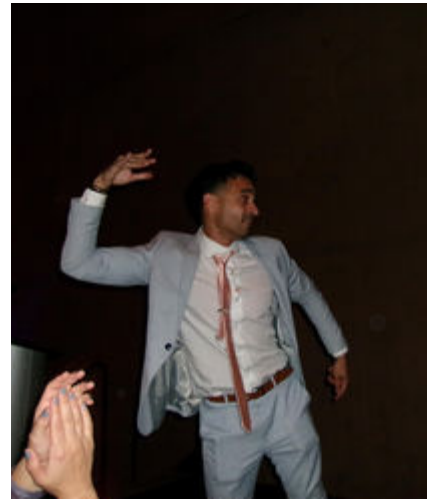




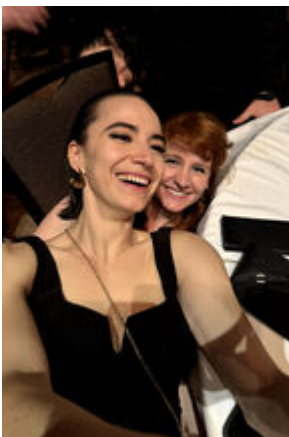
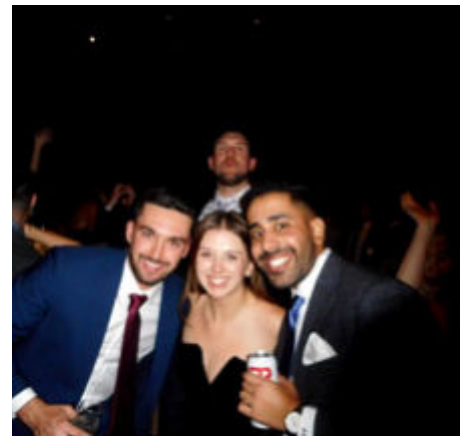
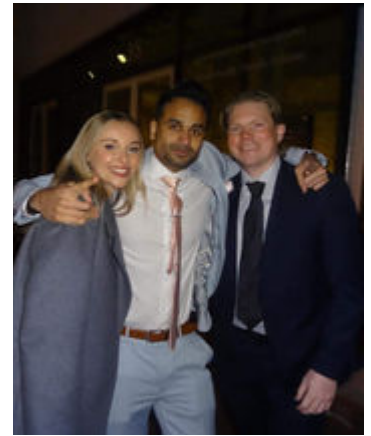
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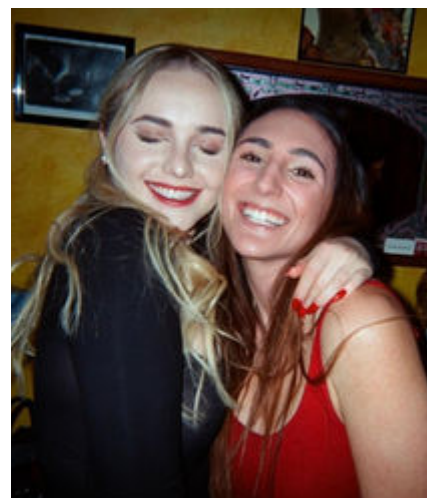
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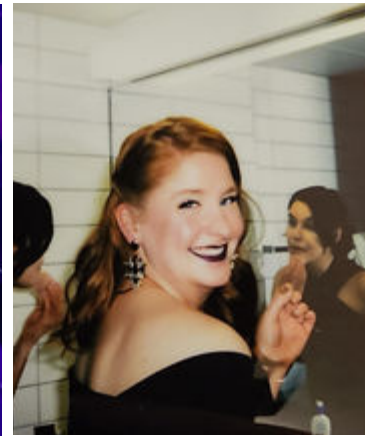
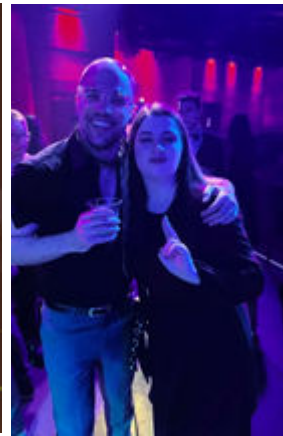
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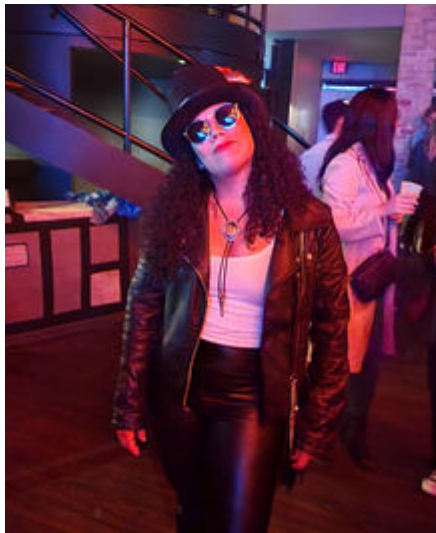


Memories from 1L & 2L



MEDLAW SOCIALS







Networking



PDC Law Banquet & Wine and Cheese



CLG Crime and Cheese



MBA Mentorship Program





Clinical Experience



The Art Braid Business Law Case Competition



Thanks to the Business Law Group, the Marcel A. Desautels Centre, and TDS for putting on the second annual Art Braid Competition. Finalists: Nico Nudler, Matthew London, and Justin Papoff; Winners: Maria Garcia Manzano, Moira Kennedy, and Meredith Harley.

Bowman Moot



Robson Hall's 2023 Bowman Moot Team:
Brandon Gray, Sawarn Benning, Justin Papoff, and Matthew London



2024 Bowman Moot Team: Isha Khandelwal, Calvin Ediger, Jenny Bi, Abiel Kwok, and researcher Tobey Xiang

Bastarache Moot



2023 Bastarache team: Dominique Gibson, Trusha Dash, Seth Lozinski, and Marie Boyd



The Canadian National Negotiation Competition



Three U of M teams of Éric Gagnon and Seth Lozinski; Ryan Hall and Nicolas Nudler; and Rebecca Penner and Jamie Robertson put in extremely strong showings against the top law student negotiators in Canada.

Family Law Negotiation



2023 Family Law Negotiation Teams: Kaylyn McDonald and Jenny Bi; Lauren Corcoran and Kennedy Merrill; and researcher Mikaela Bauerlein

Gale Cup 2023



Team Manitoba made the Faculty proud at this bilingual appellate moot with the teams of Kaylee Furber and Genevieve Smith for the Respondents, and Xiyuan Feng and Tyson Priebe for the appellants.

Robson Hall Annual Mini Moot 2022



In our first year at Robson Hall, 46 students participated in the Annual Mini Moot, showcasing their advocacy skills and active involvement with clinical learning. The winning team was Genevieve Smith and Jayden Wlasichuk, with runner-up team of Ashley Slagerman and Paige Gratton.

Laskin Moot 2023

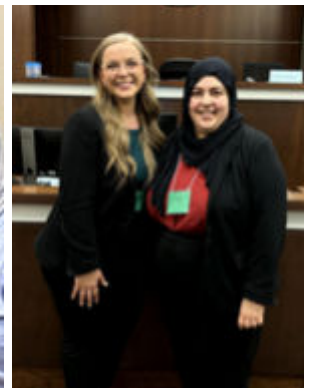


Robson Hall's 2023 Laskin Moot Team: Bradley Légaré, Eric Epp, Matt Reimer, Eric Gagnon, and researcher Meghan Filyk
The team was chosen as the winners of the Spirit of the Laskin Award!

Laskin Moot 2024



2024 Laskin Team: Zeynep Fattah, Jayden Wlasichuk, Maia Bacchus, Kirsten Nynych



Team Manitoba was honoured to be awarded the Spirit of the Laskin award for the second year in a row!

Jessup Moot



2023 Bastarache team: Diana Gutierrez, Lauren Gowler, Avril Brown, Jayden Wlasichuk, and researcher Vicky Liu



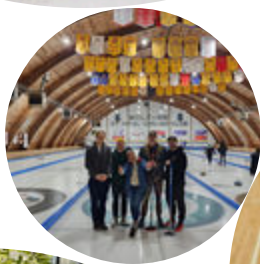
Gale Cup 2024



The 51st Gale Cup Moot was held in Toronto on February 9-10, 2024. Congratulations to students Steven Csincsá, Nathan Dueck, Lauren Corcoran, and Diana Gutierrez for showcasing their impressive research and advocacy skills.



Sports



Robson Hall Jets



DALE MASSON TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS



Cross Border Classic



CBC CHAMPIONS 2023 & 2024



LAW GAMES





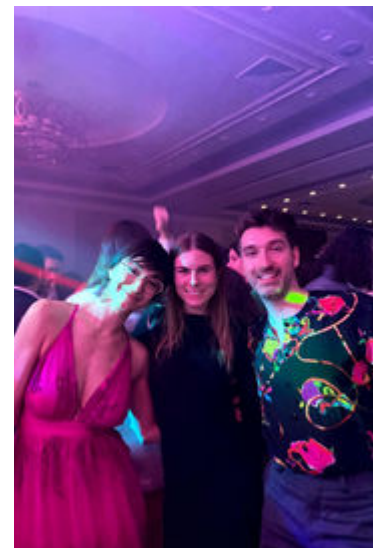
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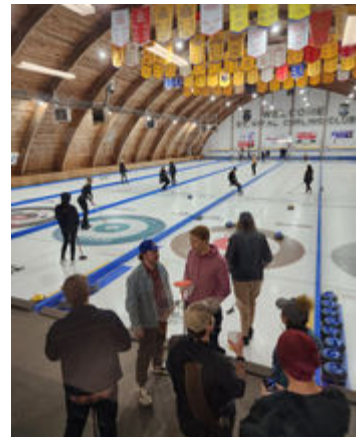


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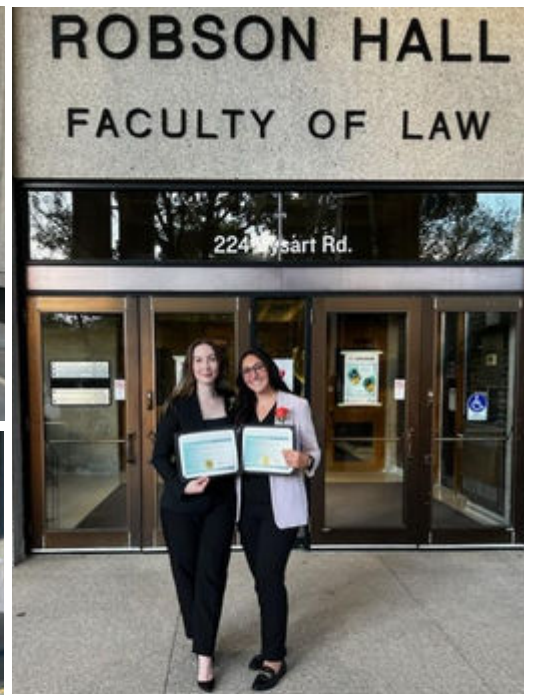
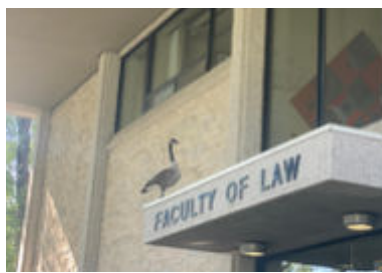


Robson Hall Curling





OUR SECOND HOME





Robson Hall's Next Generation

Say hello to the newest members of our Robson Hall family! Born between 2023-24, these adorable bundles of joy are already making their mark. Congratulations to all the proud parents!



Welcoming Teddy - Naomi & Aaron's newest blessing.
(born May 25, 2023)



Charles (Charlie) joined Chad and Emma's loving family as their latest blessing.
(born February 24, 2024)



Meet the newest addition to Tori & Adam's family: Henry!
(born September 22, 2023)



Introducing Harrison & Charleigh, the newest members of Professor Brandon Trask's family!
(born January 25, 2024)



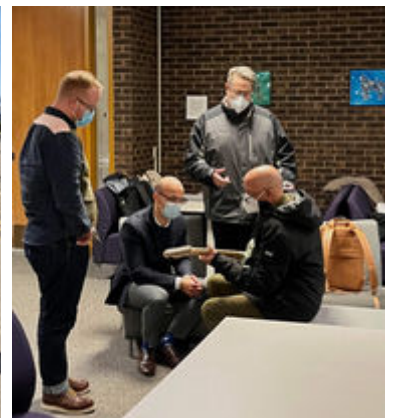
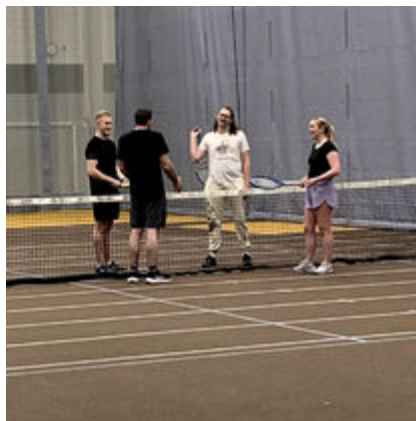
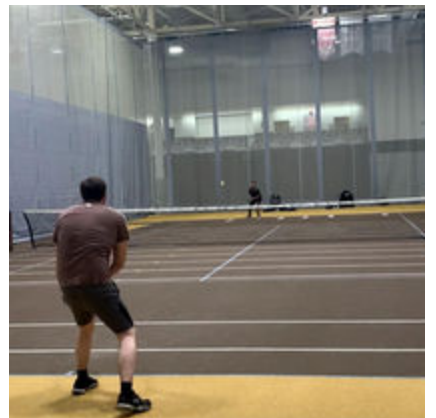
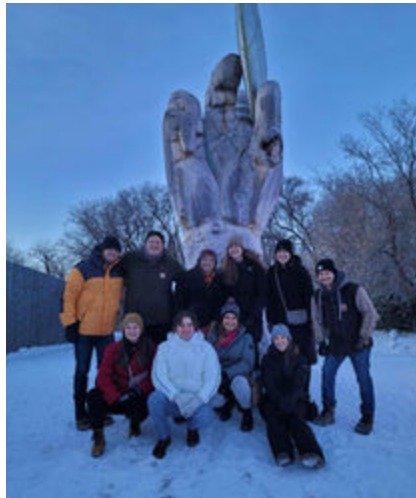
In October, Mateo arrived, bringing so much joy to Larissa and Matt's lives.
(born October 30, 2023)



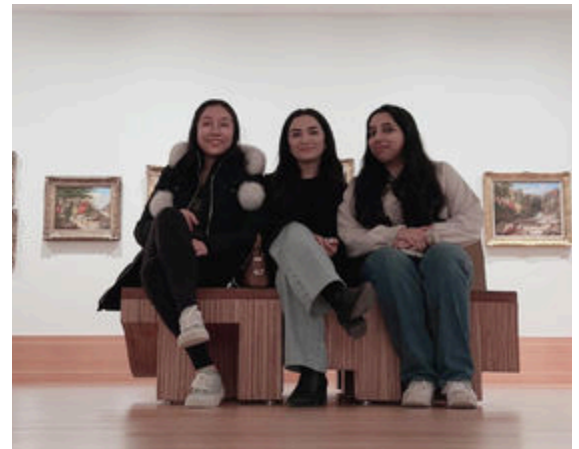
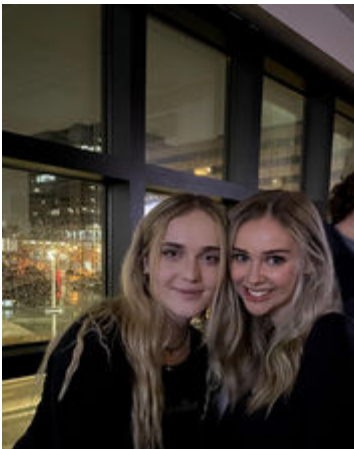
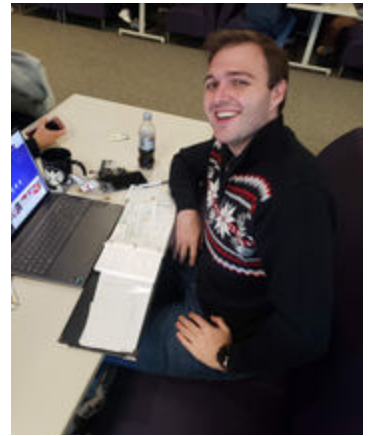
Time Flies: 1L & 2L Memories



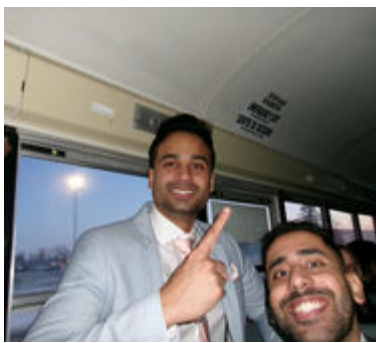
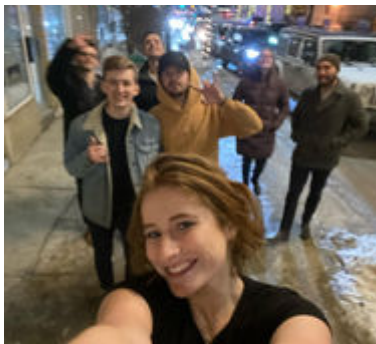
Student Life



On & Off Campus



LEARNED FRIENDS





Class of 2024,

How time flies. It feels like yesterday that we opened our laptops and joined our first day of Orientation Week via Zoom. You'd think that spending one-third of our time at Robson Hall online would have led to a graduating class that didn't know each other very well. The opposite is true. Our bonds grew stronger, our support for one another more evident, and our determination to succeed as a united class became undeniable. This solidarity carried us through not just academically but also in creating cherished memories throughout our time here.

While it's impossible to capture every laugh, every tear, and every moment in between, I hope that years down the line - whether you've become a hotshot corporate lawyer, a Supreme Court Justice, or you've done the sensible thing and taken a different career path altogether - this yearbook will remain a cherished reminder of our remarkable community.

I hope you enjoy flipping through these pages as much as I enjoyed creating them. A big thank you to everyone who shared photos and contributed to making this project possible.

**Selene Sharpe
Yearbook Editor**