

Dear student board,

I will first introduce myself, I'm Klaas de Boer nineteen years old and an international law degree student in Tallinn from the Netherlands. When the topic of the elections for the student union came up a friend immediately told me that I should apply because according to him I'm very good at complaining, or as I like to call it "to indicate problems and improvements". But with just complaining only negativity is fed while it is much better to try to create solutions because that makes everyone much happier and the university a better place.

After I've decided to write this letter and run for the elections I started to speak to some people about the university and what could be improved and we came up with two main points that are important to us as international students and those were mainly that it is hard to understand the online student environment of the university and that it would be nice if the university would organise some events where international and Estonian students could meet each other.

After these problems are solved I'm sure that another problem will be found that needs to be solved and I think that the best way of identifying and solving a problem is by becoming a member of the student union. I don't really have any experience being a member of a student union but I think that that is actually an advantage because I like to give a total new view on problems and try to come up with innovative ways of solving them, I also think that I could really add something to the student board by being a approachable point of contact mainly to younger students who may have serious points but are reluctant of speaking to the student union about it.

With best regards,
Klaas de Boer