

# Krish Mistry

**BOD CANDIDATE** 

#### 1. Provide a brief introduction of yourself.

Hi, I'm Krish Mistry, a Business Administration — Accounting student at Conestoga College. I'm passionate about learning, meeting new people, and exploring new experiences. My academic journey has provided me with a strong foundation in finance and problemsolving, which I enjoy applying in both academic and personal contexts. I enjoy connecting with others, exploring new places, and trying different cuisines.

#### 2. What inspired you to run for this position and what do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I am inspired to run for the Board of Directors because I am passionate about representing students and contributing to a positive college experience. If elected, I aim to promote inclusivity, improve communication, and strengthen student engagement by advocating for better resources, events, and support systems. I am committed to fostering an environment where students feel valued and heard, ensuring their concerns shape important decisions.

### 3. What qualities and skills do you have that make you a strong student leader and effective board member?

I bring strong communication, adaptability, and organizational skills to the table. As an active listener, I value understanding diverse perspectives and fostering collaboration. I am committed to problem-solving and am highly organized, which helps me manage multiple responsibilities. My ability to empathize and my collaborative spirit will enable me to work effectively with others and advocate for students to make a positive impact.

#### 4. Why should students vote for you and what sets you apart from other candidates?

Students should vote for me because I am dedicated to representing their voices and improving their college experience. What sets me apart is my proactive approach to leadership, my strong communication skills, and my ability to listen, collaborate, and take action. I am passionate about advocating for student needs and creating an inclusive, supportive environment where every student feels valued and heard.

# 5. What are some of the most pressing issues facing students on campus and how do you propose to address them through your work with the student association?

A major issue is the difficulty in finding part-time jobs and securing career opportunities. To address this, I propose creating more job placement programs, partnerships with local businesses, and improving career support services such as job fairs, workshops, and resume building. By strengthening these resources, I aim to help students bridge the gap between academic achievement and career success.

## 6. How do you plan to engage with students from diverse backgrounds and ensure their perspectives are represented in the board's decision making process?

I plan to engage with students by creating open communication channels such as surveys, town halls, and informal meetups. I'll work with diverse student groups to ensure their concerns are represented in board decisions. Additionally, I'll advocate for programs that celebrate diversity and promote cross-cultural understanding, ensuring that every student feels heard, valued, and included in shaping the college's policies and environment.