



Students' Alliance Mourns Passing of Jason Solomon

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The University of Windsor Students' Alliance is the representative student union for the full-time undergraduate student body at the University of Windsor. We speak for the entire student community as we express our frustration and sorrow for the senseless death of Jason Solomon and express our deepest condolences to Jason's family and friends.

Jason was a third-year student in Criminology. He had admirable and attainable aspirations to become a lawyer, ensuring justice for those who felt themselves hopeless. Everywhere he went, Jason illuminated the hearts and minds of those who met him, if only for a brief moment. Jason was a rising student leader who formed an active part of the Caribbean African Organization of Students. He was a champion for both his own future, consistently displaying relentless passion and dedication to fulfilling his dreams, and a champion for others in pursuit of their own ambitions. He led a life in which he believed in himself and inspired others to do the same.

Jason's identity as a Black student is not lost on us; in fact, it reinforced his tenacity. Racialized students are systemically disadvantaged in academia, and it requires that much more finesse and determination to prove oneself, make their mark, and craft their future. Jason did that. He was and remains a model of student leadership and raw talent.



Every year, the University of Windsor Students' Alliance recognizes the achievements of a student from a marginalized background who has excelled in academics through our "Rise Above" scholarship. In honour and commemoration of Jason's contributions to our student community, we announce the renaming and creation of the "Jason Solomon Rise Above" scholarship. May his ability to overcome, excel, inspire, and empower always be remembered.

The University's Student Counselling Centre (Room 293) and the UWSA Peer Support Centre (Room 291) in the Student Centre are both available to provide supports to all those affected. It is in times like these where our sense of community is strongest.

We say farewell to Jason Solomon, reinforce our love and support for family and friends, and stand in solidarity with all the lives Jason has impacted. He will never be forgotten by the students of the University of Windsor.

In solidarity,
Jeremiah Bowers
President