



MCAN Summer News

Announcing the next MCAN Gathering, New Student Board Members, IDE Updates, Farewell to Micah, and more.

Save the Date for the Fall 2022 MCAN Gathering

Save the dates for the fall 2022 MCAN Gathering: **September 30-October 2, 2022!** We need your input and creative ideas to make the 2022 Gathering a smashing success.

Sign up now to join the [MCAN Gathering Planning Committee](#).

MCAN Welcomes New Student Members to the Board



Amadou Tine '22

Tell us a little bit about yourself and your path to Carleton.

I first got introduced to Carleton through CLAE (Carleton Liberals Arts Experience) as a sophomore in high school and it was such a great experience! So after CLAE I visited Carleton again during my Senior year and I enjoyed seeing what the campus had to offer during fall term. From that point I knew Carleton was the right fit for me.

What has been your favorite Carleton class so far?

My favorite class so far was Innovation and Entrepreneurship. The class was taught by Bruce Dalgaard who was one of my favorite professors. Everything about the class was superb, the chemistry we had with Bruce and the material was just so fascinating!

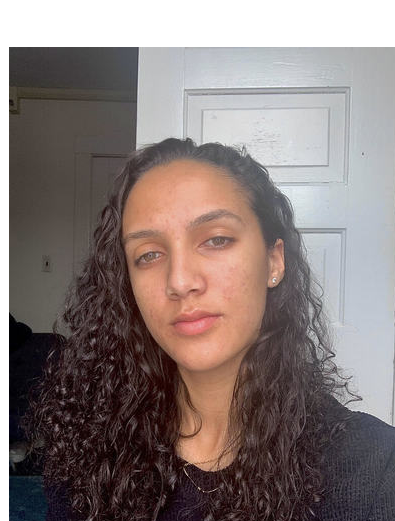
Alicia Telle '23

Tell us a little bit about yourself and your path to Carleton.

I was raised in The Bahamas and spent two years at UWC Changshu China. I grew up playing lots of sports and love to cook and go to the beach with family and friends. I learned about Carleton at UWC and was very excited to experience a liberal arts education on a small campus. It is quite interesting being the only Bahamian at Carleton, but I enjoy the opportunity to share my culture with others and to engage with other international students in our community.

What motivated you to join the MCAN Board?

I am very passionate about connecting with other international and BIPOC students and working towards a future in which we are all able to thrive equally at Carleton. Being at a PWI in rural Minnesota is very difficult, but I believe community is one of the most important ways to make the experience more rewarding and a bit easier.



Lucklita (Lita) Theng '23

Tell us a little bit about yourself and your path to Carleton.

I'm an international rising junior double majoring in computer science and studio arts. Currently, I work with the admissions office and the institutional research and assessment office. I'm also on the ASIA student organization board, and help with planning events for Asian identifying students on campus. In my free time, I like to cook home dishes, read historical fiction, or go horse riding!

Have you learned anything about yourself during the Covid-19 pandemic that you would be willing to share?

I learned that while I'm extroverted and love being around people, the pandemic gave me space in order to be more with myself and take life one thing at a time.

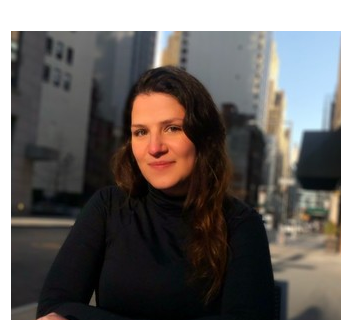
Carol Flaksberg '22

Tell us a little bit about yourself and your path to Carleton.

I am a member of the Class of 2022 from Sao Paulo, Brasil and majoring in economics. I am part of the JSC (Jewish Students of Carleton), CSA (Carleton Student Association), CEDI (Community Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Board), and CRU (Community for Religious Understanding). I am interested in behavioral economics and have had the opportunity to explore decision-making processes in the areas of sustainability, research, marketing, food services, and financial services.

What motivated you to join the MCAN Board?

As a Latinx and Jewish student, I have experienced the huge gap there is between students of color and the rest of Carleton. These uncomfortable experiences have encouraged me to join different groups in our community to learn more about diversity and come up with ways to directly change students' experiences on campus.

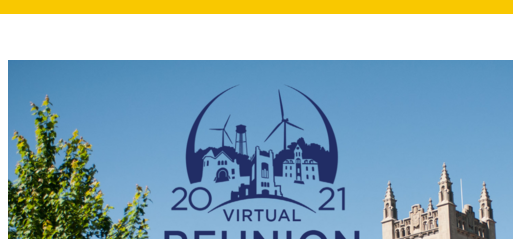


To read more about Amadou, Alicia, Carol, and Lita, check out the [full interviews](#).

News from the Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Steering Group

If you were unable to attend the update from Carleton's IDE Plan Steering Group with Cambridge Hill Partners, a recording can be found on the [Community Plan for Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity webpage](#) (*alumni login required*). Please consider bookmarking the IDE Steering Group [Updates webpage](#), which is the best source of up-to-date information on the IDE Strategic plan.

Did you miss the Reunion 20+21 MCAN Reception?



If you missed the recent Reunion 20+21 MCAN reception, check out the [shared Spotify list](#) based on alumni submissions and created by Bethany Bobo '20. Thank you, Bethany!

Thank you, Micah!

It is a sad day for MCAN when we bid our former chair farewell. **Micah Evans Rivera '02** has been a driving force for change, a compassionate shoulder for listening, and a dedicated volunteer who has always worked to improve Carleton. As a student, Micah's work in the Alumni Annual Fund office first allowed her to experience the ways in which alumni can impact the college and improve the lives of current students. She joined the MCAN board in 2015 and became chair in 2017. Originally slated to end her tenure in July 2020, she stayed on for a year in an advisory capacity and stepped up to be a co-chair in 2021 when her help was greatly needed.

She has also been a class agent and a member of the 2002 reunion planning committee. While she will no longer be with MCAN, she will be a member of the Alumni Council and is joining the planning committee for the 2022 Gathering. Please join us in sending Micah a very well-deserved and well-earned THANK YOU for her service to Carleton and to MCAN.

To read more about Micah, check out the [full tribute](#).

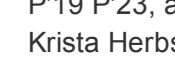
"Always remember the power of your voice. In moments when you feel that no one is listening, don't feel discouraged. Because there is always someone who is hearing you even if you don't realize it. Even if they don't realize it. So be relentless. Change can be slow but it will happen." - Micah Evans Rivera '02

Ways to Connect with MCAN

Interested in what's happening on campus and beyond in our MCAN community? Check out our [MCAN webpages](#), like us on [Facebook](#), and follow us on [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#)!

2021-2022 MCAN Board of Directors

Jennifer Lopez '02 (Chair), Bethany Bobo '20, Carol Flaksberg '22, Ricky Garcia '21, Courtney Kimmel '20, Todd Olson '97, Debra Ponce de Leon '81, Luis Reynaldo '86 P'20, Alicia Telle '23, Lucklita Theng '23, Amadou Tine '22, David Wallace-Jackson '87 P'19 P'23, and MCAN Staff Support: Anita Fisher Egge '94, Alumni Annual Fund and Krista Herbstrith P'24, Alumni Relations.



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