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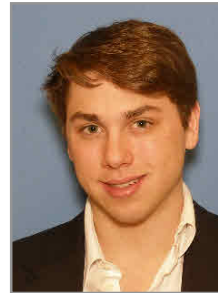
**Andrew White (asw84)**

First, financial aid is a subject on the minds of almost every student, and it is important that the President and Board of Trustees continue to fine tune financial aid policy as the economy shifts. Secondly, administrative transparency is key during these difficult economic times. Students have the right to know what direction the President and the Board are taking the University. Thirdly, it is important that the University budget is carefully examined to remove unnecessary spending. As the University decreases spending, students should be heavily involved in this process, which is something I will strive to do as Trustee.



**Asa Craig (ajc282)**

Mitigate economic troubles without damaging academic programs (undergraduate and graduate) or on-campus student life. Enhance financial-aid/loan policies for families beyond current guidelines (\$60K). Promote and support diversity while amplifying unity among the many communities on campus. As trustee, I will increase University accountability to students through the development of campus forums with administrators and by securing student representation on the Trustee E-Board. I will utilize my connections with the SA, GPSA, and other student organizations to support the numerous communities on campus, encouraging united efforts to improve our campus environment. LET ME BE YOUR VOICE! [www.VOTEASA.com](http://www.VOTEASA.com)



**Alexander Frieden (avf5)**

Three Promises:  
We cannot let today's economy prevent students from being healthy, happy, and able to learn. I will vote to minimize tuition increases and all costs associated with an education: textbooks, printing, health services, housing, and food.  
Through experience with NYC and my Student Government, I have learned the value of transparency. I promise to listen to any student through office hours or other means, to promote student involvement with government.  
With GreeksGoGreen and the University Assembly I have worked to make Cornell sustainable. I promise to continue to make Cornell greener stewards of our gorgeous Ithaca. Thank you



**Raymond Mensah (ram429)**

Three priorities President Skorton and the Trustees must face include:  
1. Effectively managing (in an open and transparent way) the University's endowments and finances in this time of economic uncertainty. 2. Strengthening and safeguarding Cornell's commitment to financial aid to ensure Cornell continues to attract the best students. 3. Strengthening the University's commitment to sustainability in the 21st Century.  
I will use my position to improve Cornell by:  
\* Serving as a voice for ALL Cornell students \* Promoting fiscal responsibility \* Working with the SA and the GPSA to address quality-of-life issues \* Supporting the Greek community  
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**Vincent Andrews (vpa4)**

It is now time the Trustees of Cornell start shifting their view from the immediate financial challenges to a longer-term analysis of the university. The university must address the issue of rising tuition by accounting for how it will spend the additional revenue. It must also detail how it will address rising student-teacher ratios that will result from larger class sizes. We can't allow this recession to affect permanent reductions in faculty and sustained, elevated tuition. The university must create a comprehensive plan on how it will cap or scale back tuition once the endowment begins to produce returns.



**Maximilian Aggrey (mra65)**

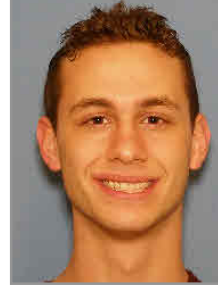
The top three priorities for the President and Trustees to address are improvement of student housing system, financial aid transparency and efficiency, and building a better social atmosphere for Cornell University students. As the student trustee, I will be asking the students at Cornell what issues they think need to be addressed so that I am really serving as their needs rather than simply what I think should be changed. If I were in the position today and had to make some immediate changes based off what I think is important, I would talk to the Board of Trustees about how we can leverage the fact that students comprise the majority of the colleegetown population (once said to be 97% of colleegetown residents) to lower housing rates in the community so that more students could afford housing off-campus.



**Bill Imperiale (wpi3)**

- Seeking new solutions to issues in Cornell housing
- Protecting/expanding financial aid opportunities of all students at Cornell
- Fostering a greater sense of community within the student body while forging cooperation with the administration

As a trustee, I plan to serve as the open door between the students and the administration, specifically by offering constant online feedback services and weekly office hours to voice concerns. I will immediately work to resolve disappointments in housing limitations and distress over financial aid, by seeking opinions from administrators and students alike to find a settlement to improve overall student life.



**Andrew D. Brokman (adb239)**

(1) Bring TOGETHER the Cornell community by working with all seven colleges to make more courses available to students of all majors.  
(2) Promote SUSTAINABILITY by urging the Board to approve the Cornell Climate Action Plan in September, which outlines the 700+ ways we could make this campus greener.  
(3) Combine career services resources across all the colleges to give undergraduate, masters and PhD students a better shot at EMPLOYMENT when they graduate.  
For specifics on my platform, check out [www.BrokTheVote.com](http://www.BrokTheVote.com)



**Eli Luxenberg (eal95)**

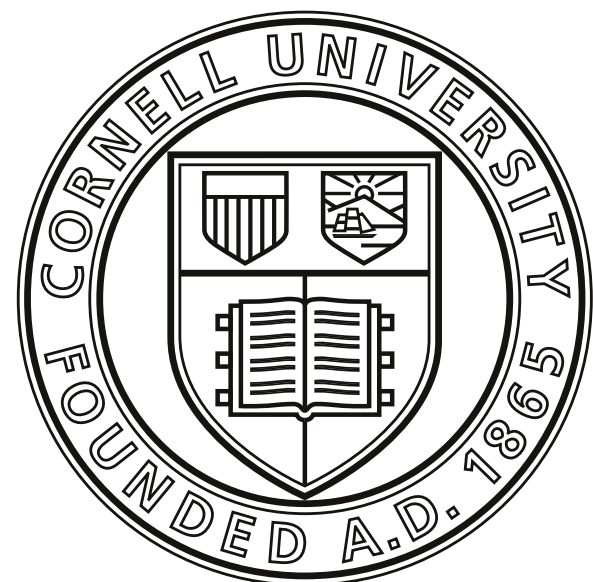
The most important thing to address as Cornell Trustee is to place a greater emphasis on student groups. Student involvement, community involvement, and communication. This does not necessarily mean increasing funding to student groups, but rather allocating non-financial resources better. We can connect student groups with people that can make big changes if that is our priority. Instead of trying to change the campus based on my ideas, I want to empower student groups and give them access to whatever they need to move the campus in the direction that they choose.

## Candidates' Personal Statements

Each candidate was asked to answer two questions:

1. What do you consider the top 3 priorities for the President and Trustees to address?

2. Using specific examples, how will you use your office as trustee to improve Cornell if you are elected?



# Cornell University

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