

Abigail Leeder, Division of Student Life

University Senate seat

I have been a campus employee for close to 18 years and in that time have worked closely with students, staff and faculty to help create a vibrant, welcoming, safe and supportive campus environment. I served for nine years as the director of Sexual Violence Prevention and since 2014 I have continued to work in prevention services utilizing experiential arts-based education. As the founder and director of the graduate student troupe Rehearsals for Life and the personal storytelling event Intertwined, I am committed to finding innovative ways to meet campus needs. I am a graduate of the UO Leadership Academy, a tenure track faculty search advocate and a founding member of the Deconstructing Whiteness Working group. I have also served on a variety of committees and working groups across campus throughout the years. I bring a wide, grounded, social action focused perspective to campus initiatives and feel excited by the opportunity to continue building a representational body that meets the needs of all members of our community. I would enjoy working with colleagues in the Senate as we navigate the future of UO, while finding more ways to genuinely care and include each other.