

Meet Our UN Representatives: Regina Yuen

Regina Yuen is a registered nurse from Canada. She began her career in an under-resourced emergency medicine department with a focus on trauma. Since then, she has gained experience in public health in the Canadian Arctic and emergency management with the Canadian Red Cross. Her global experiences in nursing and public health encompass the United States, Sweden, Kenya, and Mali.

Regina completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Honors) at the University of Windsor, and a Master of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University, where she specialized in humanitarian health. She hopes to utilize her diverse experiences in nursing alongside her knowledge of policy, health systems strengthening, and health in emergencies to advance accessibility to health around the world.

A member of the Tau Upsilon Chapter, Regina was part of the executive board as the Leadership Succession Chair. She has always been passionate about leadership and was an executive member at the School of Public Health's Student Assembly. Regina is interested in research and is currently a member of the Bruyère Research Institute's WHO Collaborating Centre. She also worked as a research assistant to study tuberculosis in low- and middle-income countries.

In her spare time, Regina enjoys hiking, reading, kickboxing, and making pottery on the wheel.

Nurses advocate and make decisions for our clients every day; it is important to utilize that evidence-based knowledge, compassion, and lived experience to affect change and mobilize nurses worldwide. As nurses comprise nearly 50% of the healthcare workforce worldwide, it is crucial for nurses to be at the forefront to plan, develop, and implement ideas to improve healthcare, health systems, and global health. As a Youth Representative, Regina hopes to foster interdisciplinary and intersectoral collaboration to solve multifaceted problems. She aspires to promote equity in global health through the Sustainable Development Goals. Most importantly, she strives to advocate for nursing practice, knowledge, education, and leadership on the global stage.