My name is Deeqa Hassan and I'm a third year Pharmacology student. I'm running for the role of Independent Chair because I am passionate about being proactive as a student to engender positive change.

Throughout my time at Kingston, I have taken up numerous extracurricular activities such as:

- Senior course representative
- Representative for the school of life sciences
- Academic mentor
- President of the Kingston Pharmacological Society
- Media Officer of the Kingston Islamic Society
- Student researcher in Kingston University's Student Academic Development Research Associate Scheme (SADRAS)

All these roles illustrate my willingness to go beyond my obligations and my ability to communicate and liaise effectively with my fellow students. I want to do whatever I can to make university life easier and more pleasant for others!

As your Independent Chair, I will:

- Be a voice for students and make sure their concerns are heard.
- Ensure that there continues to be clear communication between the university, student union and students regarding how we will be impacted by COVID in the coming months.
- Foster a student council environment that is productive, safe and capable of creating real, meaningful and sustainable change for students.

This role requires someone who is enthusiastic, confident, and approachable and I know that I will be up for the task.

Vote Deeqa #1 Independent Chair!