

# GWENDELYN HANNA

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## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

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- First-year student in Common Law at the University of Ottawa
- Communication and World Languages and Cultures Graduate from the University of Ottawa
- Experience in event planning, marketing, and community outreach enhanced through planning Open houses, charity events, etc.
- Excellent communication, social, and interpersonal skills honed through two years of tutoring and recruitment, event coordination, peer support, and mentoring
- Strong legal research and citation skills developed through editorial work with the Ottawa Law Review
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Talisma, and Canva
- Fluent in English, French, Arabic, and Advanced Spanish

## EDUCATION

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### **University of Ottawa,**

2025 – Present

#### *French JD Common Law*

- Awarded Admission Scholarship as one of two recipients selected from the French program

### **University of Ottawa,**

2021 – 2025

#### *Honours BA in a Double Major in “World Languages and Cultures” and “Communication”*

- Graduated *Summa Cum Laude* - Valedictorian
- Awarded 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 merit-based scholarships (Dean’s list)
- Awarded Academic Honours for academic success and participation in the Gee-Gees competitive sports program

### **Lycée Alphonse De Lamartine Tripoli, Lebanon**

#### *French Baccalaureate*

- Graduated with High Distinction
- Specialized in “English as a Foreign Language, Literature, and Culture”, and “Life and Earth Sciences”

## SKILLS AND ABILITIES

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### **Marketing and social media**

- Participated in hiring students for the Ambassador Team and designed posters to recruit volunteers to help in the events organized
- Drafted and scheduled diverse social media content for Transport Canada, including safety messages, deputy minister messages and recalls, enhancing public engagement while gaining experience in government communications and digital asset management.

### **Communication and Public Speaking**

- Conducted informative campus tours and updated tour scripts
- Participated in Model United Nation conferences with the MUN club and delivered multiple speeches

### **Research and Advocacy**

- Contributed to positive changes in campus policies such as enhancing the budget for clubs on campus as the Director of Arts on the Student Union’s Board of Directors
- Developed strong research and analytical skills through editorial work with the *Ottawa Law Review*, supporting informed decision-making and advocacy

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **Teaching Assistant - ESP 1991 Elementary Spanish I**

*University of Ottawa*

September 2025 – Present

- Assisted in leading tutorials and providing academic support to students in beginner-level Spanish.

### **Social Media Student**

*Transport Canada*

*Jun 2024 – August 2025*

- Drafted and scheduled social media posts covering marine, surface, aviation safety, emergency messages, and product recalls to engage and inform the public, including material for the Deputy Minister of Transportation
- Organized and maintained digital files
- Gained practical insight into government communications processes and protocols within a federal agency setting

### **Communication Advisor**

*GentleWays for OurPlanet*

*Jan 2024 – April 2024*

- Implemented effective engagement tools for diverse projects such as social media campaigns, workshops, community events, etc. promoting sustainable living
- Executed targeted marketing projects, such as promoting the application to youth-led organizations
- Initiated and analyzed data, generating reports from GW's social media, mobile app, and website

### **Student Ambassador**

*University of Ottawa*

*Sep 2022 – April 2024*

- Selected out of 100+ applicants to represent the university to prospective students, families, and the wider community and appointed Supervisor of Telecommunication Team, and Second-in-Command of the Engagement and Development Coordinator
- Provided information and guidance on various aspects of student life, academic programs, and campus activities such as recruitment events for instance Fall and Winter open houses, the Ontario University Fair (OUF), and over 50 campus tours

## **EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE**

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### **Assistant Editor**

*The Ottawa Law Review*

*September 2025 – Present*

- Reviewed and verified legal article citations in accordance with the Canadian Guide to Uniform Legal Citation (McGill Guide, 10th ed.), collaborating with the editorial team across three bilingual review cycles to ensure accuracy, consistency, and high-quality legal research.

### **Director of Marketing**

*University of Ottawa Consulting Association*

*May 2024 – April 2025*

- Lead marketing initiatives to enhance brand visibility and engagement through strategic campaigns and innovative approaches

### **Student Entrepreneurship Ambassador**

*Entrepreneurship Hub University of Ottawa*

*September 2023 – April 2024*

- Promoted entrepreneurship and fostered an entrepreneurial culture on campus by organizing events, workshops, and networking opportunities for fellow students such as “Startup Garage”, and “The Crunch week”

### **President**

*Lebanese Cultural Club*

*September 2023– Present*

- Managed and enhanced the club's communication strategies, social media presence, and outreach efforts to engage the broader community
- Spearheaded philanthropic initiatives driving successful fundraising campaigns and charity events

### **Volunteer French Tutor**

*Canadian Parents for French*

*Sep 2021 – Dec 2021*

- Worked with students from 6 to 17 years of age as a placement to help them improve their French language skills

### **Model United Nations (MUN) Advisor**

*Nov 2020 – May 2021*

- Worked with 15 students on a weekly basis to prepare them for participation in MUN conferences by helping them develop their public speaking and writing skills and learn how to work collaboratively in a team
- Provided guidance and support to students as they researched, debated, and negotiated on various global issues in simulated UN committees such as “Forced Displacement”, “Global Warming”, etc