

**HLS Student Government  
2025-2026 Elections**

**Candidate(s):** Amanda Kaplan

**Position:** 2L Representative

**Candidate Statement:**

My name is Amanda Kaplan, and I would love to continue representing the Class of 2027 in student government as a 2L representative. You have lots of great candidate options, so why vote for me?

[TLDR] 5 years of experience. Passion for the position. Better understanding of what needs to change and how to get it done.

- Experience: I have 5 years of experience representing a diverse student body and advocating successfully for them. I served as the 1L representative for Section 4, and I participated in student government for four years in college. In my senior year, during the advent of COVID-19, I represented nearly 50,000 students and successfully advocated for free COVID-19 testing, optional pass/fail grading, and increased student financial resources.

- Passion: I love the work of student government, and I believe it is an important vehicle for student advocacy. From elevating the concerns of my section after a safety incident, to advocating for students' right to self-determination to the Dean, to (on a lighter note) handing out Valentine's Day grams to students, I am willing and excited to continue putting in the work to ensure HLS students are happy, safe, and autonomous.

- Action: With one year under my belt, I have a stronger understanding of the most pressing challenges students face and the institutional mechanisms available to tackle them. I hope to have the opportunity to advocate for, among other things, greater access to class recordings, a revamped LRW curriculum, clearer graduation requirements, increased student involvement in school processes, and a guarantee of students' right to self determination and freedom of expression.