## Hello Atlantic medical students!!

My name is Julie, and I am an Acadian francophone from Dieppe, NB. I completed a BSc in medical sciences at Dal before starting medical school at MUN (currently in my second year). Atlantic Canada is near and dear to my heart for many reasons. First, I have lived in and have come to love the various regions of Atlantic Canada. My Acadian culture is also so important to me and unique to the region. For these reasons, I want to be involved in advocating for Atlantic Canadian medical students as much as possible.

Over the past year, I have been a member of the CAMSA communications committee, attended and presented at the CoAMS, and I will be attending and presenting at the Atlantic Medical Student Research Conference in May. This is also my second time applying for the ARD role. I have been involved in advocacy initiatives at MUN and have promoted these to the Atlantic Canadian francophones. I did two interviews with Radio Canada, on their shows "le réveil" and "Télé Journal Acadie", to discuss MUN's provincial day of action. We earned 30 minutes in the house to advocate for translation services for Newfoundland newcomers. I also did an interview on Radio Canada's "la mouvée" earlier this year to discuss the Hills for Humanity Fundraiser, which raised over \$6 000 for Thrive, a non-profit group that fills gaps in social services to help vulnerable individuals in St. John's.