Fighting for Change

Matt was born and raised in North Battleford, Saskatchewan. He came to the University of Regina after receiving a wrestling scholarship and enrolled in the Faculty of Education. He went on to become an Academic All-Canadian, a member of the Student Athlete Leadership Team, as well as Captain and MVP of the Cougar Men's Wrestling team.

Matt took a break from his studies in 2014 in order to pursue other interests—including professional Mixed Martial Arts competition, working with the Canadian Mental Health Association, as well as a run for public office as a Federal candidate in the recent Battlefords-Lloydminster by-election. He returned to university earlier this year, transferring into the Faculty of Arts to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science.

Matt has been active in the community as a wrestling coach, member of the Saskatchewan Amateur Wrestling Association's Board of Directors, political candidate, councillor and organizer. During his time in politics Matt has been a strong advocate for Indigenous issues, improving mental health supports and making post-secondary education more affordable.

His experience in Provincial and Federal politics makes him uniquely qualified to deal with the important issues facing U of R students. Working alongside student leaders, government officials, university administration, Indigenous leaders and all URSU members to create a more indigenized, healthier, sustainable, accessible, and safer campus. As President, Matt will be a fresh face on the URSU Executive and he will fight for transparency, accountability and real change.