



**Graduate Student Government  
Vice President**

**Name:** Joe Odorisio

**Program:** Negotiation and Conflict Resolution – Werner Institute

**When did you begin graduate school at Creighton?** I began graduate school at Creighton University in 2016.

**Why would you be a good candidate for this position?** Having been an undergraduate student and involved with Creighton University since 2006, I understand our core mission and values as a university, and I plan on evolving us further towards having a more encompassing and sustainable impact both for graduate students and for our Creighton community.

**What experience or qualifications do you possess that would help you serve in this position?** As a fundraiser and program developer for United Way of the Midlands, I manage programs that have real, data-driven, and sustainable impacts in people's lives that are in need, which results in a long-term growth of our community. I will apply my developmental aspects to this role to further evolve our university and the needs of our graduate students.

Additionally, I have an extensive background in international affairs and development from my time working for U.S. Ambassador Christopher Goldthwait on developmental projects in Africa and the Middle-East. With my extensive global and project development background, I wish to extend Creighton's engagement with the global community.

**List potential goals and ideas for the position:** I would like to create and facilitate more opportunities for graduate students to find constructive and practical applications for their professional and academic goals, whether that's an opportunity within Creighton itself or one within our community.

I would like to get graduate students more involved with our Global Engagement Office so they can apply and develop their skills and knowledge on the global stage.

I would like to create opportunities for graduate students to apply their skills and knowledge within our community so they can make a real and presentable impact for either their coursework or for their career development.

**Besides graduate coursework, what other time commitments do you have (jobs, organizations, committees, etc.)?** United Way of the Midlands, fundraiser and program developer (job).