Amanda Ryan

Amanda Ryan came to Omaha in 2009 to pursue her higher education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She has obtained her Bachelors of Arts in Religious Studies and Sociology, and is currently completing her Master’s degree in Sociology. Ms. Ryan’s research interests are vast; religion, human rights, education, and politics are among the top areas of interest. Her thesis will focus on refugee student education in the United States. Amanda works for the Institute for Holocaust Education, a local non-profit housed at the Jewish Community Center. The IHE hosts student and community programs, as well as trainings for educators dealing with teaching the Holocaust. Amanda lives in Midtown with her cat, Piper. Her sister also resides in Omaha, and her parents live in her hometown of Minden, Nebraska. Amanda is excited to get to work on the board, and looking forward to working with our teachers, students, parents, and our community. She hopes to works towards truly equitable education for all of our students regardless of background, increased collaboration with teachers and the OEA, improved student achievement, improved communication and transparency for the public and our parents, and preparing all of our students for success in and out of the classroom.