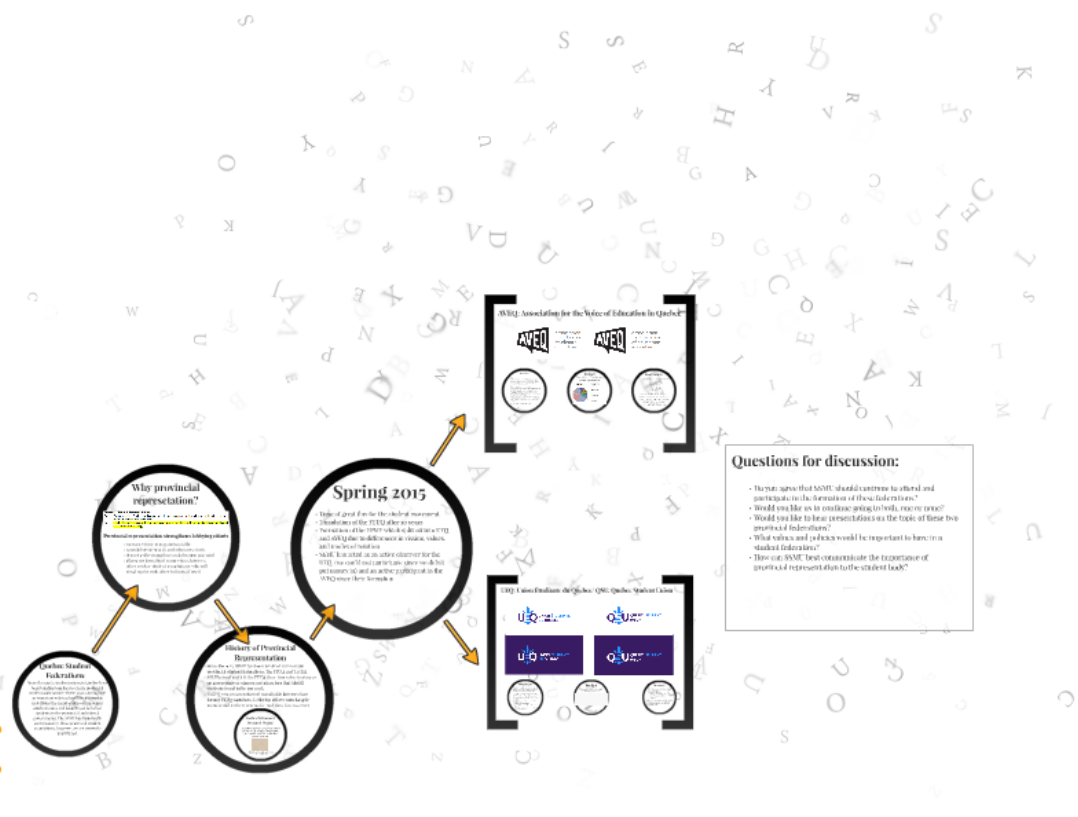


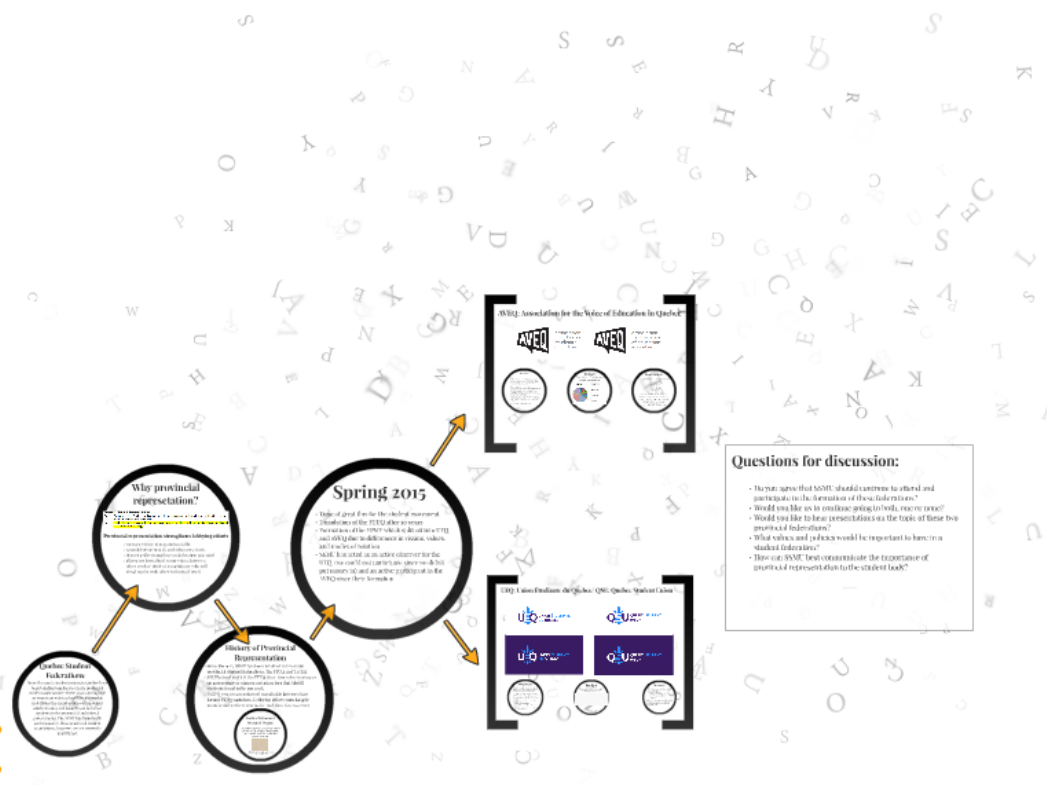
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Quebec Student Federations

Since the 1950's, student unions in Quebec have been banding together to create provincial student associations. These associations have an important role to play when it comes to mobilizing the membership on important student issues and lobbying on behalf of students to the provincial and federal governments. The SSMU has historically participated in these provincial student associations, however, we are currently unaffiliated.

Why provincial representation?

External Affairs & Representation

- 7) Represent the Society and communicate positions and policies taken by the Society to external bodies and agencies;
- 8) Lobby federal, provincial, and municipal governments to further the objectives, goals and policies of the Society;

Provincial representation strengthens lobbying efforts

- increases voice at negotiation table
- consolidates research and advocacy efforts
- dramatically strengthens mobilization potential
- allows for formalized connections between other Quebec student associations, who will stand up for each other in times of need

History of Provincial Representation

- Since the 90's, SSMU has been involved in two main provincial student federations, the FEUQ and TaCEQ
- SSMU joined and left the FEUQ three times due to stances on sovereignty or stances on tuition fees that McGill students found to be too weak
- TaCEQ was a more informal roundtable between four former FEUQ members. Lobbying efforts were largely unsuccessful as there was no fee and therefore no execs.

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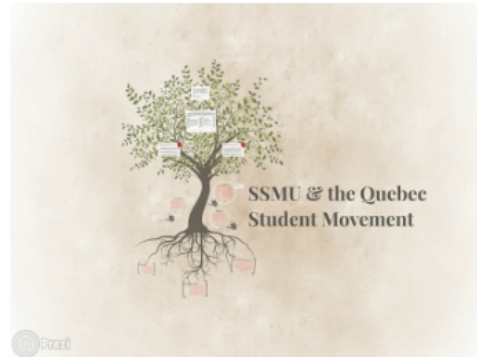
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Spring 2015

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- Dissolution of the FEUQ after 20 years
- Formation of the PPME which split off into UEQ and AVEQ due to differences in vision, values, and modes of votation
- SSMU has acted as an active observer for the UEQ (we could not participate since we didn't put money in) and an active participant in the AVEQ since their formation

AVEQ: Association for the Voice of Education in Quebec



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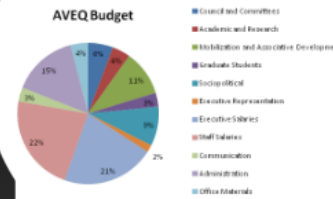
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AVEQ Budget



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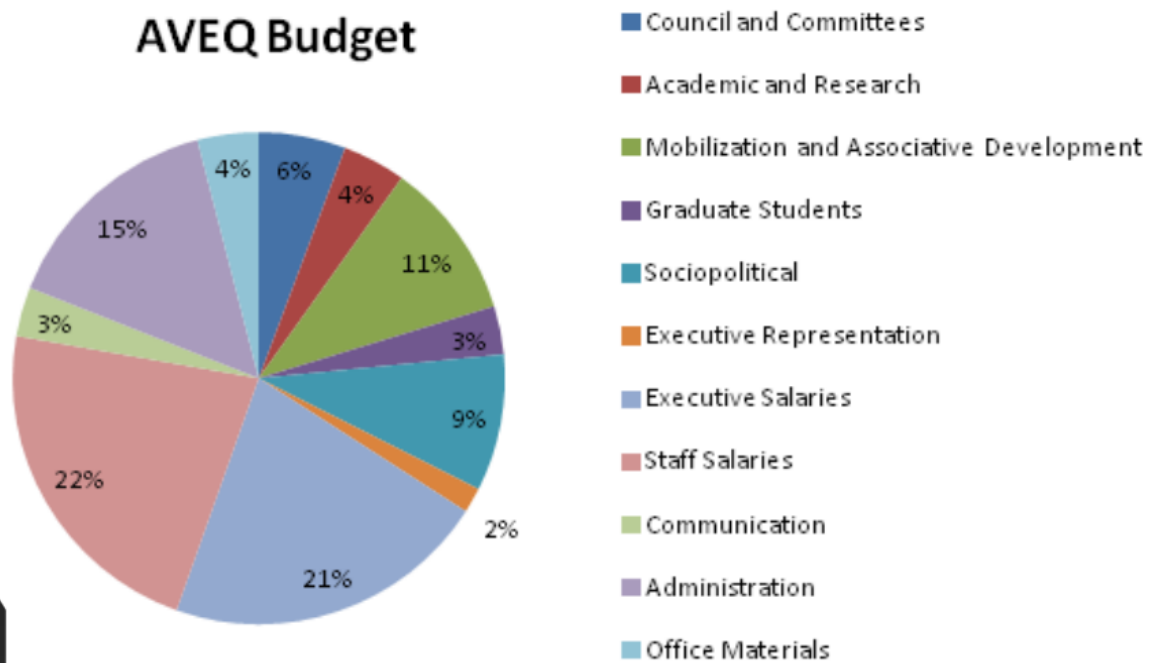
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● Services de graphisme	1.85%	● Fonds de recherche	3.24%
● Locaux	2.32%	● Fournitures de bureau	0.46%
● Télécommunications	2.32%	● Fonds de solidarité	1.85%
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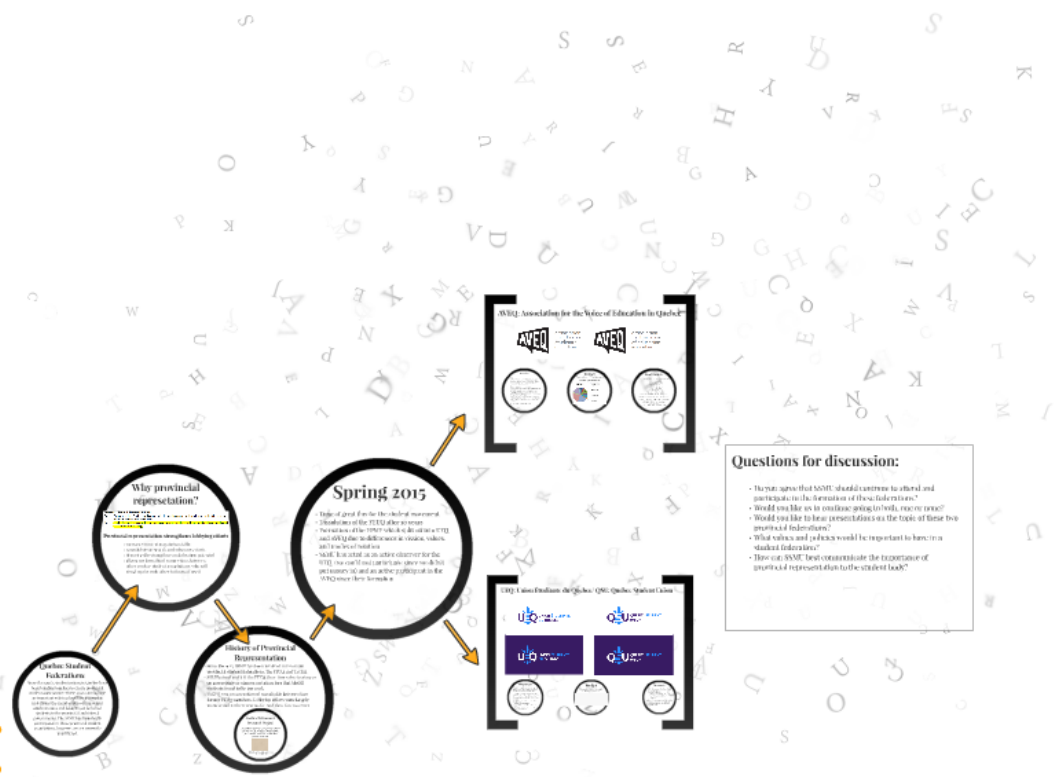
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