



# Science Representative Council Report

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## About Me

Hi! My name is Jordyn Wright and I am a U1 student in Microbiology & Immunology. I'm originally from Edmonton, Alberta. I serve on the Board of Directors for SSMU (committee pending).

Fun fact: my favourite microorganism is a fungus called the "Humongous Fungus", a single *Armillaria ostoyae* organism in the Malheur National Forest in Oregon. It sets the world record for the largest living organism on Earth at 3.4 square miles (8.8 square kilometres or over 2000 acres)! It's a plant pathogen and so large that scientists estimate it weighs as much as 200 blue whales.

## Personal Work

I serve as a Past President/Upper Year Mentor for the First-Year Undergraduate Science Society (FUSS). I was recently ratified to the SUS Involvement Restriction Committee (see *November 6 General Council*) along with some other members-at-large, the Equity Commissioners, and the VP Finance and Academic.

In my capacity as SUS representative to SSMU, I launched an anonymous "Suggestion Box" to gather feedback from constituents about more contentious motions. Along with Rohan and Maxine, we released the form on the SUS Facebook page in advance of the Motion Regarding Policy on Moratorium on McGill Fees Until Fossil Fuel Divestment and got feedback from constituents in support of the motion.

I hold office hours in the SUS Office, Burnside 1B21, every Friday from 12:30-2pm. That being said, I'm on campus pretty much all day Monday-Friday if that time doesn't work for you!

## Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) Updates

### Elected and Appointed Positions

- By-Election (October 17-21): Victoria Light as SUS Vice-President (VP), Communications
- Conducted interviews with the Interim VP Communications and selected FUSS.

### Past Events

- SUS General Councils (GC)
  - October 23: Ratified the SUS VP Communications By-Election
  - November 6: Ratified SUS Equity committee, SUS Involvement Restriction Committee



- Grad Fair: SUS had its annual Graduate and Professional Schools Fair in New Residence Hall on November 5. Over 60 schools or programs were in attendance, and it was a great success!
- After Hours: SUS has been successfully running After Hours at Majesthé on Wednesday nights from 5-9pm

## Future SUS Plans

- Renegotiating our Memorandum of Agreement with McGill this year
- Beginning of an exploratory group with the SUS VP Sustainability, VP Finance, and 1 Equity Commissioner for a SUS ethical business practises policy “focusing on equity, social sustainability, and environmental sustainability”.

## Future Events

- Hype Night for Science Games is on November 18
- Charity Week is happening this week, November 11-15

Respectfully Submitted,

**Jordyn Wright (She/Her)**

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