



FYC Report

SSMU Legislative Council

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<u>About me</u>: My name is Lucille Applegate (she/her), I'm a U1 Arts student from Versailles, France. As the FYC Rep on the Legislative Council, I am also the VP External of the FYC. I'm very glad to have the opportunity to get involved in SSMU representing all first-year students!

<u>About us</u>: the FYC is an elected body that represents and supports all first years at McGill. We are a group of five executive members. Our role is to serve McGill's diverse community of students and to aid these students in their transition into university. It is our job to bring solutions to problems facing the first year students, plan awesome events and help all first year representative groups collaborate.

Meetings: First session on October 29th, been meeting every Friday ever since.

- Brainstorming on future events / organizing events
- Discussing current issues that we are presented with, and trying to find solutions

Events:

- Had our first event on Tuesday November 23rd at Gerts!
- Planning a Mental Health Week, dates TBD
- Free food event bagels, coffee, tea, beaver tails maybe, need to decide on a date
- Inter-faculty Prom in late March
- Future events for the winter semester TBD

Administrative events/engaging with other first year groups:

- Roundtables with representatives across faculties and councils (FEARC, EUS Junior Council, MUS U0&U1 reps, SUS, FYRE, FASC, FUSS etc...). We will reach out in early January.
- Producing a mega calendar to be updated by us throughout the year for the entire first year student body, format is unsure as of this report

- We have set fixed office hours - Monday 5:30-6:30pm for the Fall semester, will decide on another time slot for the winter semester later on.

Social media:

- We are working on our Instagram page, improving and promoting it
- Facebook events
- 25 questions for McGill 1st Year Students Youtube video
- Mega map of all resources available and where they are located on campus

Students in Rez:

 We will reach out soon to the IRC in hope of working closely with them to improve life in rez and find solutions for all potential problems occurring

Budget:

- Prizes (merchandise, gift cards)
- Renting out locations
- Event-specific costs (food items, decorations)
- We will provide a more detailed budget outline in the next report

Going forward:

- We are going to try to organize as many socials (both mixers and non-party-related events) as possible during the winter semester, as Covid rules ease down
- We encourage all faculties to organize events for their first years!

Respectfully submitted,

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