



Arts & Science Undergraduate Society

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ASUS Representative Council Report

Legislative Council of the Students' Society of McGill University

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Introduction:

Hello! My name is Natan (Nate) Sakajiri, and I am from Ottawa, Ontario. I am in my second year studying math and philosophy in the faculty of Arts and Science (ArtSci!). At McGill, I partake in different activities, from taking the salsa classes offered at McGill to serving on the Community Engagement Committee of the SSMU. I am thrilled to represent my faculty in the SSMU Legislative Council and to represent the voice of my small but enthusiastic faculty.

What is the Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Society (ASUS):

Purpose:

- ASUS represents the students in McGill's Faculty of Arts and Sciences (AKA ArtSci)
 - The ASUS constituency includes students in various ArtSci programs including Environment and Cognitive Science, to name a couple!
- The group also plans events, sells merch, and coordinates with other organizations for the benefit of students
- Though perhaps less known than most student groups, ASUS practically does what all other faculty-level student organizations do!

ASUS Updates:

Getting Started:

- Attending AUS and SUS orientation and training sessions including equity training for Executive members
- Working hard to fill any vacant positions, conducting interviews with possible candidates for positions including additional Equity Commissioners and VP Sponsorship



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- Both Executive and Council have already had meetings, outlining general goals for the year
 - A central focus identified by ASUS for the year involves integrating more equity-related policies and increasing departmental communication

Current Plans:

- Creating a more extensive buddy/mentoring-program within the faculty (recently done!)
- Filling positions and roles for committees and groups associated with or under ASUS
- Planning an Executive retreat in mid-November at the MOC House
- Formalizing a plan of events for the year ahead

My Updates:

Completed:

- Attended the first SSMU Legislative Council and Fall General Assembly
- Sent a call for feedback to ArtSci students through the ASUS Listserv
- Familiarizing myself with the purpose and responsibilities of my role

Plans:

- Continuing consultations with ArtSci students through the ASUS Listserv regarding SSMU motions and questions
- Informing ASUS and ArtSci students about the structure, values, and aims of SSMU
- Considering the feedback from ArtSci students for possible motions or ideas

Conclusion:

I look forward to working with SSMU to advance the ideas of ArtSci students, while informing them about the role and structure of SSMU. Everything on the end of ASUS is off to a great start, but feel free to let me know if you have any questions or concerns by contacting me!

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