



**McGill Law Students' Association / Association
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Report of Law Councillor Jacob Shannon to the SSMU Legislative Council

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About Me

- 2nd year law student in the Bachelor of Civil Laws / Juris Doctor Program
- Former President of the McGill Nursing Undergraduate Society (2017-2018)
- Practised as a nurse for four years before returning to McGill to study law
- Passionate about improving healthcare for Indigenous peoples in Canada
- Open to questions at lawrep@ssmu.ca / can find me on LinkedIn and Facebook

Updates from the Law Students' Association

- Budget constraints for the year
 - Due to COVID, LSA had rollover budget that was spent last year
 - As a result, all departments have had their budgets cut compared to this artificially inflated budget from last year
- Fall Elections
 - All executive positions are filled
 - LSA Council had its first annual meeting on Monday, October 23rd
- Events
 - **Frosh** – Broke previous records for attendees since COVID
 - **Coffeehouse** – Weekly event hosted in the Faculty of Law atrium that is sometimes sponsored by law firms and other times run by Law clubs
 - Very high attendance as of late
 - First time coffeehouse operates on a mandatory reusable cup policy!
 - **Monday Mocha** – Weekly event often sponsored by law firms offering free coffee to students and a chance to get to know various law firms
 - **Med-Law** combined event coming up in November to celebrate Halloween
 - Nursing is another faculty that has expressed interest in shared events and we hope to collaborate with soon!
 - Planning for **Skit Night** in March
 - Cherished law tradition where students and faculty alike orchestrate skits for a large audience to raise money for a charitable cause
- General Assembly in November
 - Budget to be presented with explanations for budget cuts compared to 2022-23 year
- Sustainability Initiatives
 - In addition to a reusable cup policy, the LSA President is also working on an in-house plate club for clubs access in order to reduce disposables.