



# Report of the Vice- President University Affairs

Winter 2024 General Assembly – Lalia Katchelewa



UNIVERSITY  
GOVERNANCE &  
REPRESENTATION



STUDENT  
ADVOCACY,  
EQUITY & POLICY



INTERNAL SSMU  
RESPONSIBILITIES

# Portfolio structure



# University Governance and Representation

## UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

- VP sitting on 10 committees
- Notably: VPAF, senate steering, CESA
- Generally, student life, academic policy or hiring

## UNIVERSITY SENATE

- Several questions drafted by SSMU caucus senators
- All student seats filled

## SSMU SENATE CAUCUS

- 13 senators from different faculties
- 6 associate senators
- 1 secretary-general



# Student Advocacy, Equity and Policy

8 Commissioners



Menstrual Health



Indigenous Affairs



Gender & Sexuality



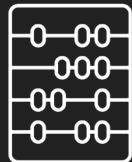
Open Education Resources



Food Security  
( + VP External)



Know Your Student Rights



Equity



Library Improvement Fund





# Recent Progress and Updates

- Hiring process started for Student Rights Commissioner
- New Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Preferred Names
- Implementation of one of our OER in a McGill course
- Research on advisory group to SHHS and university senate subcommittee for food security and/or sovereignty
- Expansion of product offering variety to students for the Menstrual Health Campaign
- Expansion of funding offering in Indigenous Affairs
- Increase proposal for QUIPS fund at referendum to offer more funding to Queer students



# Internal SSMU Responsibilities



HR  
Department



Policies



Executive Committee, Board of  
Directors, Daycare BOD,  
Legislative Council committees  
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# Thank You

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