

SSMU's First Year Council of McGill University (FYC)

FYC Report SSMU Legislative Council

5 December, 2024

80 First-year constituent concerns:

- Expressed concerns about the lack of dietary provisions;
 - Reference FYC, and SSMU's role in bringing forward policies allowing for provisions.
- Expressed commute concerns about ratifying a policy for McGill-shuttle bus options from Leacock to McIntyre;
- Expressed concerns over the lack of study-and-eating space within the libraries in general, requesting the SSMU for greater use of its spaces for study halls;
- Requesting a more efficient process for Professor accountability for the grades which Professors give, and greater infrastructure for official grade contestation.

FYC reinvigoration process:

- Current lack of instituted election for FYC, requires more collaboration with the *Vice President of Internal Affairs*;
- Current lack of student interests in FYC more broadly;
- Managing the FYC Instagram page, getting involvement.

FYC Councillor:

- Coordinating with first-year students with clubs and services for the biggest struggles they face;
 - Including, but not limited to, funding and inclusivity;
 - Biggest struggles from CÉGEP-transitioning students, facing a shock to the environment and requiring additional support from the SSMU and FYC for study spaces, club rooms and coordination with different faculties and departments.

FYC Mental Health Outreach:

- Students facing trauma due to international conflicts to the adequate resources;
- Communicated with the SSMU *President* concerning the FYP, and reached out the SSMU *Vice President of Internal Affairs* concerning the mental health resources available for first-year students.

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