Arts Undergraduate Society of McGill University



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Report of Arts Representatives to SSMU Legislative Council

October 9th, 2025

President

- SNAX Cafe is open and operations are going well. We are open Monday-Friday, 9 am
 4:30 pm
- Finalizing hiring for the remainder of our vacant positions soon
- Lounge renovations occurred over the summer, focused on making the space a better working environment for students
- Equity Commissioners are working on the Frosh report
- Committees within the AUS are getting up and running
- Personal Projects: by-law revisions, fee creation for the Arts Office of Education, creating a peer advisor role within the AUS

VP Finance

- Starting up departments for this year;
- Closing Frosh finances;
- Working on the AUS annual audit;
- Finalizing AUS annual budget;
- Starting up financial management committee (FMC) for the year,
- Will start reviewing funding applications on October 6

VP Internal

- Currently receiving all the necessary components for departments to receive their allocations; currently getting all of the most recent Constitutions and Journals from each department so our logs are up to date!
- GFSSA (Gender and Feminist Studies Student Association) is in the process of becoming active again!
- Tabling and room bookings are running smoothly

• Internal Committees

- O Hiring for FEARC (First Year Events, Academic, and Representative Committee) will be formally created after break. But it is looking promising with 15+ applicants. Plan is to have a larger committee (as opposed to a formal exec) broken down into an Events, Academic, and Representative portfolio so that students can pursue what they are most passionate about! Those in the representative council will elect one person that can come to SSMU FYC meetings.
- The Internal Commissioner will also be hired post break. My sustainability/external commissioner is returning from last year and we are continuing our Sustainability Funds Project where we can reimburse departments for certain products that are sustainably sourced.

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VP Social

- Frosh:
 - Successfully directed Arts Frosh with 1250 Froshies, with 225 leaders/staff, and 14 coordinators.
- BDA:
 - o Hired 9 new managers
 - Hired 20 new staffers and 2 new photographers.
 - Currently hosting a collaboration bar hop with 4à7 right now
- EPIC:
 - o Currently hiring a new committee

VP Academic

- Opened the Arts Student Employment Fund (ASEF) application.
 - ASEF offers students the opportunity to secure funding for academic endeavours on campus so students can gain research experience while being financially compensated.
 - This round of applications is intended for individuals seeking funding for the Winter 2025 semester.
- Completed hiring for peer tutoring and got the service up and running.
 - Covering over 300 classes across 32 departments, the peer tutoring service is bigger than ever this year.
- In the process of completing the hiring for writing centre tutors, we plan to train them all over the reading break and have the writing centre up and running directly after the break.
- In the process of purchasing new furniture and supplies for the AUS study space in the Leacock basement.

VP Communications

- Started the McGill Student Resource Masterlist over the summer which is a project that aims to centralize all resources available to undergraduates in one easy to comprehend list with specific instructions on how to utilise each and where exactly the use cases are:
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tLRsg639_vGY-RuxQmyn7Pr8zmPMB_OJ NrMUXb5_qjo/edit?gid=1726605157#gid=1726605157
- Relaunched the senator's scoop to inform students about what is occurring in student gov now with a voting component where we can poll all arts and artsci students directly on issues.
- Recentralised all student association emails to one easily accessible format (managed under the AUS domain) and created the aus public directory which puts all contact info, addresses and listserv info of any aus affiliate in one place for easy access.

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VP External

- Working on Grad Fair;
 - we have 60 confirmed booths running from different graduate schools
 - o it will take place nov 5 11-3pm in the SSMU ballroom
 - o currently still talking with caterers to ensure all diet restrictions are met
- In the process of planning out mental health week
 - Planning for it to be sometime next semester during midterm of finals
 - o a week full of mental health activities on campus such as puppy yoga, mediation classes, and giving out mental health goodie bags on campus.

Senators

- Senators are working with the Senate Caucus to review the revisions to the Code of Student Conduct for McGill. They attended meetings with Interim Deputy Provost Campbell, and Weisbord and Fred from the Faculty of Law.
- Senators also have joined a few committees on Senate. Senator Tang is on the Academic Policy Committee and the Policy on Sexual Violence Committee (PASV); Senator Baybayon is on the Senate Committee on Student Services and the Senate Advisory Council on the Charter of Student Rights.
- Resumed the Senator Scoop which is a section of the AUS Listserv that focuses on the happenings of McGill Senate and the work of the Arts Senators. Our first edition focused on a survey regarding Redpath and Schulich Library
- Senator Baybayon is working on an accessible study spaces project. He is working
 with GIC to create a platform that students can access to locate spaces that meet
 accessible needs. He is currently reviewing accessibility criteria with AUS
 Departments via the VP Externals.
- Senator Baybayon also joined SSMU Legislative Council as a Senate Caucus Representative and the SSMU Board of Directors as a Director (SSMU LegCo Representative).

Respectfully submitted,

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