# **Francophone Commission By-Laws**

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## **BACKGROUND**

These bylaws serve as terms of reference for the Francophone Commission.

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#### **Article I: Establishment**

1.1 The Francophone Commission is an entity of the Arts Undergraduate Society (AUS) and shall be governed by these by-laws.

#### **Article II: Mission**

- 2.1 The Francophone Commission shall exist to:
  - 2.1.1 Foster the community and presence of the Francophone student body of the Arts Undergraduate Society by planning cultural events and promoting bilingualism within the Society;
  - 2.1.2 Strengthen links between the Francophone and non-Francophone students and to provide students with opportunities to engage with Francophone and Quebecois culture;
  - 2.1.3 Advance bilingual services and policies within the AUS and the AUS's internal groups to further Francophone and bilingual interests.

## **Article III: Membership**

- 3.1 The Francophone Commission shall operate under the portfolio of the Vice-President of Communications.
- 3.2 The Francophone shall consist of at least two (2) Francophone Commissioners.
  - 3.2.1 The Francophone Commission shall be appointed in the winter semester of the previous year by the AUS VP Communications-elect and the current members of the Francophone Commission.
  - 3.2.2 Any member of the AUS is eligible to apply.
- 3.3 General membership is open to any AUS member willing to contribute in any way to the Francophone Commission's mission.

#### **Article IV: Powers and Duties**

- 4.1 The Francophone Commission shall realize its mission as stated in Article II.
- 4.2 To fulfill the mission as stated in Article II, the Francophone Commission shall perform the following duties, including but not limited to:
  - 4.2.1 Organizing the French Conversation Circles of the AUS;
  - 4.2.2 Overseeing, analyzing, and writing policy and by-laws for the AUS and its internal groups;
  - 4.2.3 Collaborating with other French language student and academic groups on campus.

#### **Article V: Amendments**

- 5.1 Amendments to these bylaws should first be discussed with the members of the Francophone Commission.
- 5.2 Amendments to these bylaws shall follow by-law amendment procedures as laid out in Article 23 of the AUS Constitution.