
VP Academic Report to Council – December 2nd 2015



I can't believe how fast this semester went by! Good luck to all with finals and term papers and see you in 2016 ;) Enjoy this picture and credz to EPiC for organizing one of the best apartment crawls I've ever done!

Faculty of Arts Meeting

We met Tuesday the 24th. A presentation on Fossil fuel divestment similar to the one received at our last Council was given by the SSMU VP External as well as by members from Divest McGill. The Dean of Arts chose to proceed by electronic ballot voting, and the voting period lasted from Wednesday the 25th to Monday the 30th. An overwhelming majority of attendees were in favor of supporting divestment; this now needs to be confirmed by the voting. I will report orally if the voting results come in time.

Arts Peer to Peer Research Symposium: callout of presenters!

I included the following blurb in the listserv:

“Are you an Arts undergraduate student at McGill? Have you worked on or are you currently working on independent or professor-supervised research? Are you interested in engaging with students in all areas of the Faculty on an academic level? Then the Arts Peer-to-Peer Research Symposium is for you!

The APPRS will be taking place on February 7-9, 2015, and will provide undergraduates with an opportunity to present their research and engage in academic conversation with their peers. Presentations will be 20–30 minutes followed by a question period and reception. Applications are open to students in all Arts disciplines and are now available here: <http://ausmcgill.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/APPRS-2015-16-Application.docx>. The deadline to submit is Sunday, December 7th 2015.”



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Please circulate this information to your constituents, or to anyone you know that may be interested!

There will be a second callout for applications in January, but the earlier people apply, the better!

Misc

- I will be preparing cheques for Peer Tutoring tutors and will send an email to all departments that held sessions this semester shortly
- Meeting with Associate Dean Engle-Warnick on Monday the 30th to further discuss ASEF funding, will report orally
- Planning to collaborate with EPiC for the in-city thesis retreat next semester

Respectfully submitted,

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