



VP Academic Report to Council March 9th 2016

Congratulations to Erik, your VP Academic for the 2016-2017 academic year! We started transitioning last Friday and have around 8 transitions meetings scheduled for the next months with different units and administrators within McGill! I'm super excited to see all the projects he will bring to the AUS next year.

Arts Student Employment Fund:

The ASEF Committee met on Friday, February 26th to make its **allocation decisions for Summer 2016**. There is a motion to approve these allocations for this Council. Following ratification, I will be working with the applicants to **promote these opportunities** among AUS members.

Due to the lower amount of funding available this year, we had to make a couple of important decisions when selecting applicants. We choose to prioritize applications creating positions in the Summer (as opposed to the school year) and we chose to streamline pay at 14\$/hr. We also factored in opportunity costs (such as ARIA positions being matched by faculty) and impact on the AUS community.

The VP Finance, the VP Academic-elect and myself also met with the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, Jim Engle-Warnick in order to restructure ASEF. If things go according to plan, we could increase the ASEF funds for the ASEFC significantly, allowing to increase the number of student positions available.

Arts Internship Awards – Arts Internship Office

Jacob and I are writing bylaws for the AIO Advisory Committee (AIOAC). We are awaiting comments on the bylaws from the Dean's office and from the AIO. The motion will be presented next council.

Academic Affairs Council

We will be meeting sometime this week, or early next week to discuss progress on the advising platform. Thanks to all departments who got their program requirements to me!

Faculty of Arts Meeting

Meeting scheduled on Tuesday the 8th of March. Will report orally.



Curriculum Committee

Meeting on March 21st, will report on findings next council.

Misc meetings:

- Meeting with Engle Warnick to transition/ASEF
- Meeting with Meadwell/Maioni
- Meeting with Nellie: figure out better dates for departmental fair
- Meeting with Lucy Lach on Wednesday March 9th.
- Erik will sit on DART next week.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabriel