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- We will be attending the AUS exec equity training over the course of this upcoming week
- We have been meeting frequently to address issues of sexual violence in the department
- We had our latest WIMESSA coffee hour on Friday, 27 October in the Islamic studies lounge in conjunction with the McGill Iranian Students Association to have a Persian-themed event with Persian sweets and professors of Iranian history and culture
- On Sunday, 5 November we had our collaborative event with the Jewish Studies Students Association. We participated in a guided tour of the Cote-des-neiges neighbourhood to explore the history of Sephardic and Mizrahi Jewish immigration and life in Montréal.
- Our VP Exchanges and Internships, Katie, will be presenting on Tuesday, 7 November to help students learn about studying abroad opportunities in the Middle East and other parts of the Islamic World. Student speakers will be present to discuss their experiences and processes of studying in Turkey, Lebanon, and Palestine.
- Our next WIMESSA coffee hour will take place this Friday, and will be in collaboration with the Bangladeshi Students Association and Pakistani Students Association to celebrate South Asian culture and have snacks and music from the region

Respectfully Submitted,

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