



REPORT OF THE ARTS SENATORS TO AUS COUNCIL

Senate - met on 2/20

- Question and Response Regarding Board-Senate Collaboration on Divestment (Madeline, Prof Eran Shor, Prof Greg Mikkelson)
 - Non-answer, but in my opinion, point of question was to continue to apply pressure re: divestment from fossil fuels, and less about getting a productive response
 - Still calls into question exactly how CAMSR has been deciding who to invite and when to invite them
- Question and Response Regarding Senate Steering Committee Documents
 - Will be bringing a motion to next Senate to make them publicly available
- Report of the Academic Policy Committee
- Notice of Revisions to Policy Against Sexual Violence
 - Madeline will be meeting with Angela Campbell tomorrow to discuss detailed amendment suggestions
- Notice of Revisions to Policy Against Harassment, Sexual Harassment, and Discrimination Prohibited By Law
 - Removal of Sexual Harassment (which will soon be encompassed by new PASV)
- Update of Calls to Action of the Report of the Task Force for Indigenous Studies and Indigenous Education
 - Asked a handful of questions prepped by Tomas Jirousek (SSMU Indigenous Affairs Coordinator)
- [TABLED] McGill University Staffing Report
- Report of the Ombudsperson for Students
 - Difference between Ombudsperson and Dean of Students?
 - Dean of Students - formal resolution
 - Ombudsperson - informal resolution

Policy Against Sexual Violence Revisions [Feedback Form](#)

- PASV revisions to be brought to Senate for info in Feb, vote in March

Working Group on Principles of Renaming and Commemoration (on changing the R*dmens name) [Feedback Form](#)

Senate Caucus (all 13 undergraduate student senators, meets once a week)

- Nothing to report

Other

Congratulations to Chloe and Henrique, next year's Arts Senators! Good luck!

Madeline

Committees

Enrolment and Student Affairs Advisory Committee - meets next on 3/12

- Will be bringing work on universalizing waitlists as default to next meeting to discuss university-level implementation

Personal Projects

Open Educational Resources (OERs)

- Have hired students for HIST 213, ECON 208, MATH 140/1, CHEM 110/120
- Will be reapplying to SSMU Library Improvement Fund to run same project in Summer and Fall 2019
- [Strategic Plan](#)
- [Quick Facts](#)

Academic Accommodations Policy/Procedures Review

- Going over current accommodations policies and procedures and looking for opportunities to institutionalize

Food Insecurity Project

- Planning big meeting with Student Services heads and SHHS

Other

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Committees

- **McGill Athletics and Recreation Advisory Board (MARAB)**
 - Nothing to Report
 - Meeting on Feb 21st was moved to Feb 28th
- **Academic Policy Committee (APC)**
 - Nothing to report
 - Meeting on Feb 14th was cancelled due to a lack of business
- **Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee**
 - Nothing to Report.
 - Meeting on March 14th

Personal Project

African Studies program reform

- Have discussed the possibility of creating an African Studies institute with Prof. Medani
 - Key points that I will be researching are:
 - Funding
 - Procedure to do so
 - Enrollment stats in AFRI majors, minors, joint-honours
- I have met with Prof Medani and we have discussed the steps that have to be followed in preparing a proposal for the creation of an institute.
- At the APC committee meeting last term a proposal for the creation of an institute in the Faculty of Medicine was presented and passed so I have been reviewing that as a model to follow in researching and preparing the proposal
- I am reaching out to the Dean of Arts as well as the Chairs of relevant departments that currently house African Studies courses such Poli Sci, Anthro to gauge if this is a project that they would support.

Inclusive Hiring

On hold until the meeting with Prof. Blackett

