



Religious Studies Undergraduate Society (RSUS) Departmental Report (18/09/19)

General

- RSUS Exec held two meetings this past week
 - First meeting was on 13 September to review the budget before officially submitting it to AUS.
 - Second meeting was our first general meeting on 17 September, going over position portfolios and kicking off administrative duties.
- Meetings will be held weekly on Mondays at 17h30 in the Birks Lounge.

Events

- Planning a Wine & Cheese event tentatively for 4 October in the Birks building.
- We hope to have a bake sale, tentatively for 25 October, with a Halloween theme.
- We are trying to plan smaller events which do not require bookings or permits that can still bring a better sense of community to our department.
- Starting a competition for RSUS students to create a new RSUS logo over the next couple weeks. Want new logo ASAP so that we can have new merch.

Internal Affairs

- Working on the development of new courses, which are currently pretty slow-going.
- B.A. Committee
 - Releasing RELG syllabi soon with cooperation from professors on the committee.
 - Restructuring Religious Studies program (required courses, course streams, etc.)
- Uncertainty regarding whether or not RSUS formally represents B.Th. students due to discrepancies between different informational sources.
 - Will liaise with official B.Th. association.
 - Will consult AUS Executives who will have better answers.
 - Possibly need to update RSUS Constitution.

Communications

- New listserv group created, first listserv of the year to be sent out soon.
- Class groups for the Fall 2019 semester created.
- Created a RSUS Community Facebook group to encourage engagement with students and started updating the departmental Facebook page.

Respectfully submitted,

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