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Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students
Local 105 of the Canadian Federation of Students

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Annual General Meeting Report

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Letter From Executive

Dear TMAPS Members,

Thank you for taking an interest in student government and trusting us as your elected representatives. Part-time degree, certificate and continuing education students are facing unique barriers to education and financial aid on top of rising cost of housing, food and transportation. TMAPS has advocated for a smooth and accessible transition back to campus for students taking in-person classes. We also continue to offer online services and programs for the majority of our members who are still learning online.

This term, TMAPS has prioritized events and services geared to immediate student needs. Starting in January, TMAPS has piloted a free, monthly produce box for members in collaboration with the Toronto Metropolitan Graduate Students' Union (TMGSU), Day of Action movement and stop the war against Palestine Campaigns. In addition to the TMAPS bursary and Emergency Grant, TMAPS has reopened the Global Emergency Relief Grant to reach more students requiring immediate financial aid.

We are working hard to make sure that student voices are represented. From our committees to Chang School Council and Senate, TMAPS is here to fight for student rights and ensure transparency from university administration. Our work for the remainder of the term will be largely based around the university operating budget. We look forward to hearing from our members to make sure their needs are being prioritized.

Best,

Olivia McIntosh, President
Annie Yang, VP Equity & Campaigns
Suanny Aranguren, VP Events & Outreach
Shahed Salehi, VP Services & Finance
Maya Taylor, VP Academic & Governance

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORT AND UPDATES



OPERATIONS

TMAPS continues to provide services and advocacy virtually, while regular events and outreach occur both in person and online. As Chang school and Continuing Education courses continue to remain online only, TMAPS has kept its operations in a hybrid format to accommodate members' needs who are distance education or simply unable to come to campus. TMAPS reopened its offices to members in March 2023 with regular in-person office hours happening on Wednesdays. Our office is located on the third floor of the Student Centre, at 55 Gould Street, room SCC 301. The new office hours have been shared through communication channels and are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 11 am to 7 pm (Virtual)
Wednesday: 11 am to 4 pm (In-person)
Friday: 10 am to 6 pm (Virtual)

NAME CHANGE

On April 26, 2022 the University announced its official name change to Toronto Metropolitan University. In response, TMAPS' board struck a Renaming Committee as directed by the members. The committee met on a biweekly basis, to determine the selection process for a new name. It was agreed by the committee that the



organization's name would be chosen by a member survey.

After two rounds of public surveys, the most popular name chosen was Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students. The general members voted to approve the name change at the last Semi-Annual General



Meeting in March, 2023 to make this change legal. Following the approval of the membership, TMAPS has begun legally transitioning from Continuing Education Students' Association of Ryerson to Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students.

HUMAN RESOURCES

TMAPS currently employs 5 full-time staff and 3 part-time student staff through the Career Boost program. TMAPS was able to provide student work opportunities during the spring and summer of 2023 through the Canada Summer Jobs program and will be applying for funding for the upcoming 2024 spring and summer sessions.

TMAPS continues to advocate for the inclusion of Continuing Education students in the Career Boost program and provincial Work Study programs.

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FINANCES

TMAPS Membership Fees

Operating Budget: \$11.55
(FW2022-23 Figures)

Bursary: \$2.71 (FW2022-23
Figures)

Student Campus Centre Fund:

\$0.50 (FW2022-23 Figures)

Health & Dental: \$271.80
(Latest figure)

Canadian Federation of

Students: \$ 2.80 (FW2022-23
Figures)



TMAPS is currently undergoing the process of an audit for the year 2022-23. However due to turnover and unfilled positions within our staff, board, and executive team over the past year, we couldn't approve a new budget within the usual timeframe set by our policies. We're working to resolve this by focussing to ensure executive, board and staff retention in the rest of the year and beyond.

COMMUNICATIONS

TMAPS prides itself on its regular communication with its members, utilizing various mediums to keep them informed and engaged.



In an effort to improve this communication, TMAPS has made some significant updates to its membership communications this year. These updates include:

Monthly Newsletter:

All TMAPS members are automatically enrolled to receive our monthly newsletter. This electronic newsletter contains important information about upcoming events, TMAPS services, Bursary deadlines, and other significant dates that our members need to know about.

Special Mailers:

TMAPS members will also receive important email communications on an as-needed basis, directly to their student email accounts. These communications will include high-priority and time-sensitive information, such as Bursary deadlines, academic appeal dates, Health and dental, election information, and other essential details of which all members need to be aware. However, we try our best to minimize the number of emails we send as special mailers to make sure we do not inundate our members' inboxes with unnecessary information.

Social media:

In addition to email communications, TMAPS is also committed to improving our social media channels. We regularly post on our Instagram, which has proven to be the most engaging social media outlet for TMAPS. We also cross-post our content on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube (for long-form content), and TikTok to engage with our members across multiple channels.

Looking ahead, TMAPS is focused on reinstating our D2L course shell in the upcoming term to increase our visibility to members. We encourage all members to follow us @ TMAPS105 on all social media platforms to stay informed and engaged with the latest updates and events from TMAPS.



Website:

Additionally, TMAPS is dedicated to providing a user-friendly online experience for its members. Our website is regularly updated with the latest information and resources to help our members stay informed and engaged.

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STAFF APPRECIATION

The wonderful services, engaging campaigns, and vibrant events at TMAPS are a testament to the dedication and skill of our amazing staff. Your devotion to the students and readiness to take on essential roles ensure our student union is welcoming and runs like a well-oiled machine.

A heartfelt thank you to Malik Asoh Ajesam, Amir Moazzami, Chloë Thibault and Lyndall Musselman's for your exemplary work in student services. Your efforts have not only been impactful but also made our space feel inviting and friendly. We're incredibly appreciative of all that you do for TMAPS. Our sincere thanks go to Bill Reid, our approachable in-house lawyer, for offering sound legal advice and support to our students whenever they need it.

Finally, a big shout-out to all our part-time staff, especially Andrea Bancod, whose creative talents shine through in our communication materials, and to our newest team members, Doga Koroglu, Hope Ghobrial, and Bev Field for your energy and dedication to our cause.

Thank you, each one of you, for being the pillars of TMAPS and for all you do to support our community.



EQUITY & CAMPAIGNS

The position of VP Equity has seen several transitions since the start of term. Nevertheless, each Vice President maintained the TMAPS tradition of campaigning for community justice, and their unique knowledge and focus have enriched TMAPS campaigns. The current Vice President is working to ensure continuity of previous initiatives and preserve the contributions by our general and board members.

GET INVOLVED!

We are working on scheduling the monthly Equity & Campaigns Committee Meetings in 2024. Stay tuned & save the dates!

ACCESSIBLE LIVING FOR ALL

This broad campaign strategy aims to provide TMAPS members with accessible resources to offset the high cost of living in Toronto. This includes flea markets and farmers' markets on campus, free grocery pickup boxes, clothing swap and donation, sewing workshops, stationery giveaway, free hygiene products and more. Our prominent partner organizations include Mutual Market, TMGSU, and Foodshare. The responses we had from our members are that these initiatives are timely and much needed. TMAPS hopes to continue addressing financial and food security for our members in a variety of ways.

EDUCATION FOR ALL

As TMAPS campaigns for accessible education for all, we highlight the unique systemic and intersectional barriers to accessing post-secondary education faced by Part-time and Continuing Education students. Including reduced funding from the provincial government and the University.

Day of Action: On November 8th, unions, staff and students marched from TMU campus to Queen Park to demand better education for all.



SERVICES AND FINANCE

At TMAPS, we are proud to offer a comprehensive range of services designed to support the diverse needs of our part-time degree students. Central to these services is the TMAPS Bursary program (Emergency and Semester wise), and the Health & Dental Plan, which provides extensive coverage including prescription drugs and dental care.

We also offer legal services for a range of issues, accessible through our in-house lawyer Bill Reid. Over 80 students accessed our legal services in the past year, making it one of our most utilized services. Additionally, our Annual Tax Clinic, in partnership with the Canada Revenue Agency, offers free tax filing assistance. Each service is designed to provide students with crucial support.



HEALTH AND DENTAL PLAN

All part-time degree students are automatically enrolled onto the TMAPS Health & Dental Plan. Plan coverage includes 80% coverage for prescription drugs, discounts on eye exams, up to 65% dental coverage, and more. This coverage begins in September or January depending on your date of enrollment, and spans through the Spring and Summer terms until August 31. More than two thirds of all part-time degree students enrolled in 2023-24 academic year currently access the TMAPS Health & Dental Plan service.

Fall 2023 Opt-out Period:

TMAPS began distributing refunds via e-transfer in late November, 2023 to 643 students who opted out of the 12-month Health & Dental Plan. TMAPS will be following up periodically to ensure each student gets their refund this term.

Temporary Inactive Period:

The Fall 2023 temporary inactive period for first time plan users ended on November 1st. This means that new students are now able to submit claims online through the GSCeverywhere portal and access the additional discounts using their Green Shield Canada ID card available online via the TMAPS website.

2023-2024 Rate Renewal

The Health & Dental Plan and negotiated rates are secured annually, and partly paid for, by the National Student Health Network (NSHN) and the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), as part of TMAPS' membership.

NSHN and GSC negotiated the 2023-24 Health & Dental Plan rate to a 5.55% increase for the upcoming benefit year. This increase was driven by inflation and the Consumer Price Index (CPI), as well as increased plan usage by students. This cost also reflects new plan designs of which students will be able to take advantage, with a focus on accessing mental health support.



New plan enhancements include:

Room for Her: an initiative focused on promoting mental health and well-being for all women in Canada through webinars, podcast series, educational materials and free counselling support!



Tranquility: Tranquility by Inkblot is an internet-based Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (iCBT) program co-developed by clinical psychologists.



KITS: a leading Canadian eyewear e-retailer, brings GSC student plan members savings of 25% off any prescription glasses (designer brands included!) or 20% off contact lenses.



Additional highlights include ongoing access to Inkblot Therapy, PocketPills, Maple, Change4Life, Mindfulness and MindBeacon! Students can also take advantage of further plan member discounts such as:

Student Dental Discount

Network (SDDN): The SDDN is unique to GSC, and the discount is guaranteed for plan members. When a dentist joins the SDDN, they agree to submit claims directly to GSC via Provider Connect.



The value is automatically calculated, so the dentist will always provide a discount to the student. Students can receive up to 30% off their dental treatment.

LEGAL SERVICE

TMAPS members now have access to services provided by our in-house Lawyer, Bill Reid, through in-person or



online appointments. Initial consults can be requested via the email legal@tmaps.ca. Bill supports our members with a wide range of issues including landlord & tenant conflicts, family law, employment law, criminal law, debt issues, accident claims, immigration and other government matters, corporate, commercial and intellectual property issues, notarization or commission documents when appropriate, and advice on legal documents or proceedings. Online legal workshops about common issues are also available on the TMAPS website.

TAX CLINIC

This year, TMAPS is partnering with TMGSU (the graduate student's union) to offer our members the first in-person tax clinic since the COVID-19 lockdown. Currently, planning is underway with Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA)

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) to prepare for this initiative which will take place from **March 20th to April 5th, 2023** in the Margaret Lawrence room of SCC. The tax clinic is free and open to all part-time and graduate students on campus.

Members who need their taxes filed for the upcoming season may start booking appointments online starting March 1st. TMAPS members who are unable to attend the in-person clinic can access free [Ufile software](#) through membership with our national students' union- the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), using the special offer code: **CFS1981**

BURSARY

The TMAPS Bursary is a needs-based bursary that helps members with the cost of education and living expenses. The bursary is open every semester. All TMAPS members are encouraged to apply to the bursary, although due to high volume of applications and limited funding, the grant is not guaranteed.

SERVICE AND FINANCE

By the Numbers

To date, TMAPS has given out a total of **85 bursaries in Spring & Summer 2022**, and **57 bursaries in Fall 2022**. The Winter 2023 bursary is closed and undergoing a selection process as the AGM report is being prepared.



It is important to report that TMAPS has received substantially more applications in Winter 2023 than previous semesters. TMAPS will continue to prioritize serving our members' financial needs through making the bursary available and known to our members.

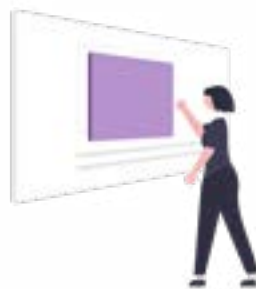
EMERGENCY GRANT

The TMAPS Emergency Grant is designed to assist members dealing with immediate crises, including financial, health, or family emergencies. Members facing these challenges are encouraged to apply for this grant, which is accessible all year. Applicants who clearly emphasize the urgent or emergency aspect of their situation are generally granted the bursary.

SPONSORSHIP AND DONATIONS

The TMAPS Events Committee aims to support students and community groups that promote values of education, well-being and equity. Our goal is to utilize our resources to help bring impactful events and initiatives to life. We are always looking to support student-led initiatives! If you are a student (or student group) interested in being sponsored by TMAPS, make sure to apply for our sponsorship program. We sponsor events, groups and clubs! Eligible applicants can receive up to \$1000 per academic year. Below are the organizations that TMAPS has sponsored financially, through resource distribution or through room-bookings or even catering for the last 9 months:

- TMU Cinema Politica
- Pink Detect
- We Are Worth It - We Are Visible
- Disability Without Poverty
- Accessibility For All
- Mutual Market



STUDENT RIGHTS & APPEALS

INTRODUCTION: VICE-PRESIDENT INTERNAL

TMAPS plays a proactive role in university governance, ensuring that our members' voices are heard in decision-making. Our team is actively involved in the Senate, Chang School Council, and policy committees. We've also built long lasting partnerships with faculty and staff unions, as well as with our sister unions: TMGSU and TMSU. Our Student Advocate provides students with support in dealing with academic misconduct, grade and standing appeals, and any administrative issues or complaints with the university.

GET INVOLVED!

Do you want to get involved in bylaws, policies and governance issues? Get involved in the TMAPS Bylaws & Policies Committee. You can visit our website to sign up to our newsletters, or email any questions to vp.internal@tmaps.ca.



ALL UNION COALITION

TMAPS continues to initiate and facilitate monthly meetings with campus labour unions and students' unions around mutual concerns to develop allyship. Collectively, we have been able to work to share information on the international students' issues, Health and Safety planning, cuts to education and collaborate on policy proposals that serve students, instructors and staff members. When we work together, it becomes more difficult for the university administration to divide us.

SENATE

TMAPS continues to actively participate in the university Senate where academic decisions are made on behalf of the entire university. The students' union has one appointed representative and works collaboratively with other student senators and faculty representatives to ensure students get policies that are fair and equitable for all students, including continuing education members.

UNIVERSITY POLICY REVIEW

There is a list of Senate Policies that shows the life cycle for review and management of these documents, which can be found [here](#). It should be noted that unfortunately, TMAPS is not currently involved directly with any specific Senate policy reviews. We are carefully tracking the review processes of relevant Senate policies through our representative on the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC), which is a standing committee of Senate. We also always monitor the agendas of Senate and policy developments and decision making through Senate meetings. The next

major Senate policy to be reviewed is the Academic Integrity Policy, Senate Policy 60. TMAPS will work to ensure students are consulted about changes to this very important policy.

CHANG SCHOOL GOVERNANCE

TMAPS continues to meet with the Dean of the Chang School to advocate on behalf of our members. This has included advocating for clearer direction on requests to convocate, the refund policy and communication around COVID-19 policies and procedures to CE students. TMAPS has also advocated for a lower barrier of enrolment to be used as the standard for certificate and course discontinuations, which would ensure smaller class sizes and more options available to students. The students' union has also coordinated filling the student representative



seats on Chang School Council again this year, so TMAPS facilitates support for these student reps and ensures that students know about academic and organizational changes at the Chang School. This year there are many new proposals for microcertificates and microcredentials, which must be approved by the Chang School Council. The Bylaws of the Chang School Council were recently amended by Senate to be more consistent with other departmental or governing council bylaws within the university.

ACADEMIC STANDING AND APPEALS WORKSHOPS

Every semester TMAPS, the Graduate Student' Union (TMGSU) and the full time undergraduate Students' Union (TMSU) host workshops to support students facing issues with their academic standings (such as Academic Probation, Required To Withdraw, or Permanently Program Withdrawn) or who want to file grade appeals to challenge the final grades they received.

Between 5 - 50 students attended each session.

Watch Online

Watch the recordings of the webinars on our [YouTube channel](#).

STATISTICAL DATA ON APPOINTMENTS



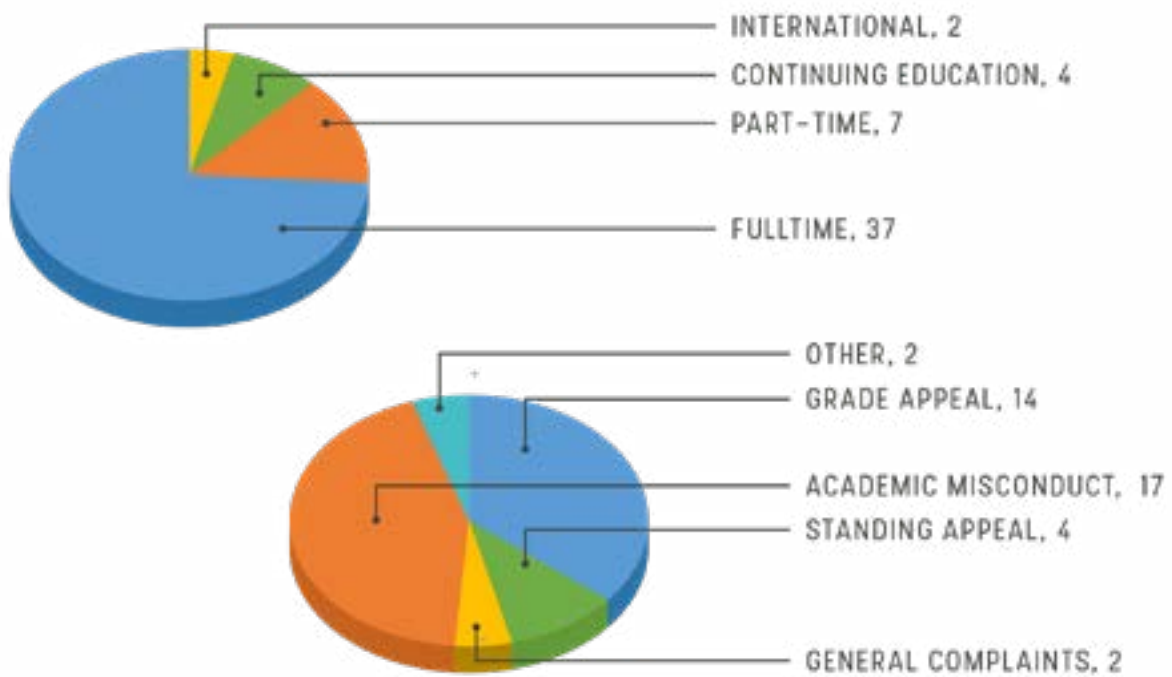
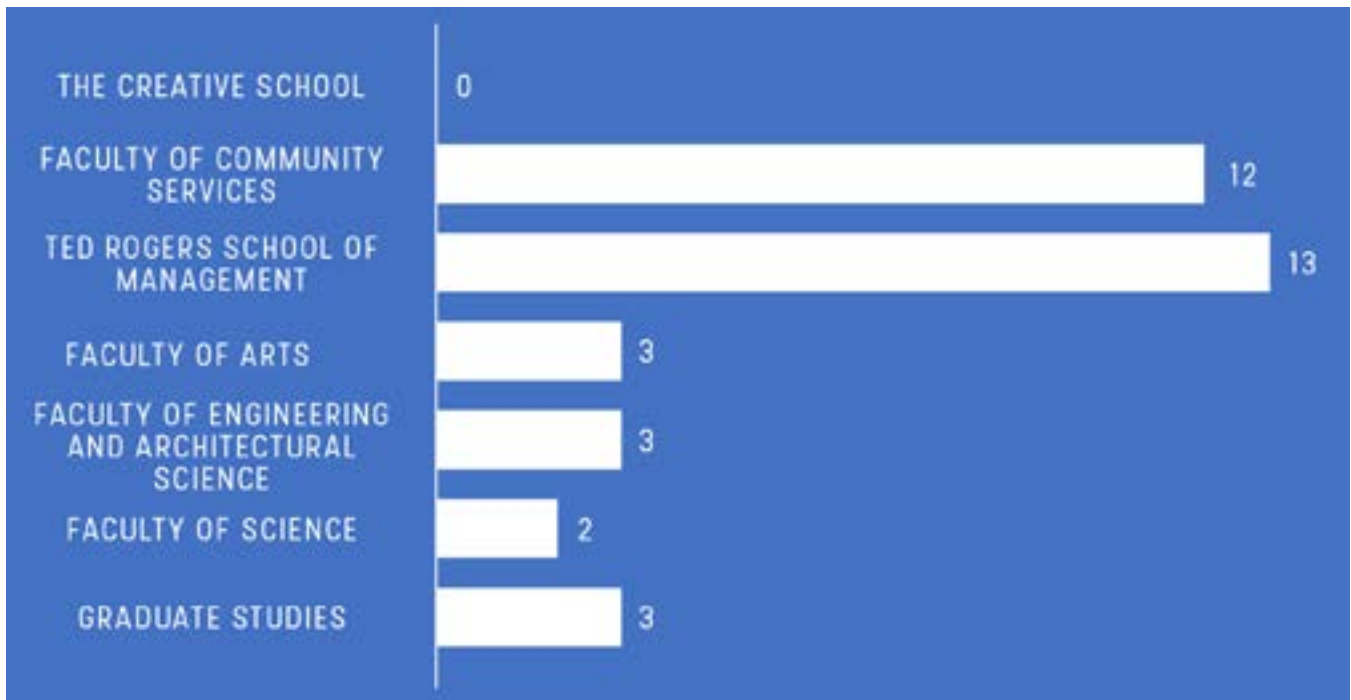
In order to track information about the students who seek advice from the Student Rights Coordinator, students utilizing this service are asked to fill out an Intake Form. The total number of Intake Forms for March 2022 to the end of February 2023 is 57. This amount is lower than the previous year where the total number of students who completed Intake Forms was 65. The total number for 2022-23 is misleadingly low because our intake process is imperfect and not all students opt to complete the form.

The statistical information below reflects what was indicated by students. Keep in mind that some students chose to identify themselves in certain ways, filling in some fields and not others, and that completing the form is optional and not at all mandatory.

STUDENT ADVOCACY INTAKE FORM IDENTITY DEMOGRAPHICS

Our intake forms also track identity demographics, however it should be stated

that many students opted not to complete this part of the form. Again, completing this form is not mandatory. For the 2022-23 year in total of 22 of those who did complete the form identified as a woman, 22 identified as a man, 1 identified as non-binary; 1 identified as spectrum; 1 identified as two spirit; 46 identified as racialised; 29 identified as heterosexual; 4 identified as bi-sexual; 3 identified as gay; 2 identified as queer; 25 stated that a language other than English was their first language.



EVENTS

INTRODUCTION: VICE-PRESIDENT EVENTS

Every new term comes with new challenges. As post pandemic engagement support is slowly coming back we have been working jointly with other Exec portfolios and with the univ to increase our impact in more meaningful ways. Our events are always seeking to reduce barriers for our members from all the angles; from online and hybrid events, events supporting disability Justice, putting into practice the calls to actions by Truth and Reconciliation Commission, or opening our doors to build community around arts and crafts. We have been able to understand more of the more immediate needs and continue to shape they way we want to support our members. Knowing that the only way forwards is by listening to more voices.

GET INVOLVED!

If you want to get involved in TMAPS events, join the Events Committee from our website. You can also email any questions to vp.events@tmaps.ca.



COLLABORATIONS WITH DISABILITY JUSTICE ADVOCATES AND ORGANIZATIONS:

Accessibility For All (In-Person): May 10 & 11

The Health & Dental Plan and negotiated rates are secured annually, and partly paid for, by the National Student Health Network (NSHN) and the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), as part of TMAPS' membership.

Disability Without Poverty (In-Person): May 15

This banquet and presentation informed community members

about the progress of Bill C-22 (Canada Disability Benefit). TMAPS members were introduced to what the grass root organization, Disability Without Poverty, has done to date and invited them to be part of this movement for change.

As we know, the level of poverty is at an all-time high, and it is affecting people experiencing disabilities even more seriously. The Canada Disability Benefit (Bill C-22) aims to help working-age address financial security concerns and gaps left by current social assistance.



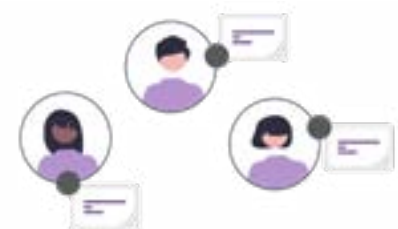
Day of Action w/ Disability Without Poverty (In-Person): June 2

The TMAPS attended a media event hosted by Disability Without Poverty to launch the disability poverty report card and featuring the postcard campaign calling on

leaders to fast-track Bill C-22 and Budget the Benefit. We gathered at the South West Corner of Bloor and Spadina, at Matt Cohen Park. Then, we walked to the constituency office of Chrystia Freeland to deliver the hundreds of signed postcards asking her to #BudgetTheBenefit.

We Are Worth it - We Are Visible (In-Person): June 19, 26, and July 10

This was a multi-session focus group for a documentary directed by Veronica Correa. Members of the focus group are part of a grass-roots arts collective led by and including folks with cross-disabilities who are BIPOC and members of the 2SLGBTQAI communities. We discussed our personal experiences as well as barriers to accessibility within downtown Tkaronto. Part of the sessions included mini field trips to various locals to capture footage and investigate how accessible the city is.



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SUMMER EVENTS AND INITIATIVES:

Pride (In-Person): June 23-25

TMAPS executives and staff were excited to once again participate in the float organized by TMSU, TMGSU, TMAPS and Equity Service Centre for the Toronto Pride Parade last June. Volunteers and staff worked together to build the float and celebrate pride during the Pride March. We attended various events throughout Pride Weekend, including: Trans March, the Street Fair, Dyke March. We also collaborated on other events on campus such as a Zine Making event and Drag Isn't Dangerous Pride BBQ.



Free Grassy Nations Land Alliance Rally: July 20

The Land Alliance was formed to push back against mining in their territory. Grassy leaders

and other members of the five nations will be in Toronto near the Ministry of Mines to demand respect for Indigenous rights. For more information, visit: www.freegrassy.net.

D.I.Y. Night (In-Person): July 21st

The Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students (TMAPS) hosted a D.I.Y. Night event on July 21st, 12pm – 6pm. It was a fantastic opportunity to showcase your creativity and passion for hands-on projects, while connecting with students who share similar interests. The event included live music, featuring musical group Black Mambo along with our friends at CJRU - Toronto Metropolitan's local radio station.

TMAPS FALL ORIENTATION:

Drag Bingo (Virtual): Sept 20

We brought back Drag Bing - this time hosted by the sensational Miss Luna Dubois! Luna DuBois is a fashion diva (or "fashion icon" as her fans like to call her). She was born and partly raised in Nigeria, and partly in Canada, making her a Nigerian-Canadian

queen. She is known for her jaw-dropping looks, snatched mug, modeling skills, and captivating soulful dance performances. Her background in fashion design and her self-taught makeup skills come in very handy with her brand which has allowed her to be a well known name in the drag scene and fashion industry in Toronto. This virtual event was a fun way to win prizes and kick off the semester!



Arts & Crafts Night (Virtual): Sept 21

In this workshop, students were invited to take some time to get in touch with their creative sides. Hosted by the talented Anénia Victor, members were encouraged to create a new masterpiece for your wall using a textile collage technique. Anénia Victor is a Toronto based mixed media

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textile artist. They revisit the methods and discourses from the past to better innovate a new trajectory for the future by creating collages, sculptures, installations, and various pieces using textiles, found items and natural materials. Anélia's founding themes are identity, herbalism, farming and Africanfuturism with a focus on Black and Queer Histories, Caribbean textile history and textile sustainability all while using a futuristic lens. Whether students were master artists or interested beginners, this calming space allowed us to decompress and channel our creativity.

TMAPS Takes on Gould St (In-Person): Friday, Sept 22

TMAPS took to the streets to connect with our members and students across campus! We were joined by Mutual Market, a student run initiative to provide affordable produce and clothing. SABRE, a live band, set the vibe through melodic tunes



with R&B, soul and jazz influences. Cafeteca was on deck to make sure the sound equipment was running smoothly; and we had delicious food from Samoserie to keep us fueled throughout the afternoon. TMAPS members who stopped by received a free orientation swag bag. We're happy to meet you all and answer any questions related to TMAPS services and the upcoming year.

TMAPS 101 (Virtual): Friday,



Sept 22

Students learned about the various services, events, and campaigns that the union has to offer. Questions were asked about the health and dental plan, who can access our services, and how to get involved.

Free Grassy Narrows Land Alliance Rally (In-Person): Wed, Sept 27

Description: The Free Grassy Narrows Land Alliance took to the streets once again to lead a march calling on Premier Ford to end unwanted mining activity on their Territories. Five First Nations formed a historic alliance to protect



their lands and waters in the face of mounting concerns about encroachment on our territories by mining exploration companies who have been enabled by the Ford Government. For more information, visit: www.freegrassy.net.

International Students Meetup and Campus Tour: Wed, Sept 27

In collaboration with the TMGSU, the goal of this event was to provide international students and their family members with the relevant and important information they need about campus, campus services, and more! Due to unforeseen circumstances, we had to postpone this event. But we hope to relaunch it in the upcoming semester (and during warmer weather). This campus tour and meet-up is part of the programming for the new International Students Committee at TMU.

FALL 2023 EVENTS:

Halloween Crafts Night: October 30th and 31st, 2-6pm

Students joined us for a creative activity night, making amazing decorations, gifts, and much more. We created Halloween themed watercolor paintings and made signs for the Nov 8th National Day of Action for a free and accessible education!

Day of Action: Fight the Fees: Nov 8th

TMAPS Executives, staff, and students altogether rallied at the TMU Campus Centre and marched to Queen's Park to spread further awareness for the Fight the Fees campaign (in partnership with the Canadian Federation of Students). Breakfast was provided to students in the morning, and we led the march to Queen's Park, followed by folks rallying at Grange Park. This day of action took place on Nov 8th all across the country; and is part of a larger campaign to lobby the federal and provincial governments for a tuition-free post secondary education for ALL!

Trick or Treaty Film Screening: directed by Alanis Obomsawin - Nov 9th

We are all treaty people. In collaboration with the Gdoo-maawnjidimi Mompil Indigenous Student Services and the Treaties Recognition Week Planning Committee, we held a community dinner and screening of the documentary Trick or Treaty, directed by world renowned filmmaker and artist: Alanis Obomsawin – often known as the “Mother of Indigenous film”. Her films have won countless awards,

and she herself has received several Governor General's Awards, lifetime achievement awards and honorary degrees. Her films explore and inform us about the struggles and experiences of Indigenous Peoples on Turtle Island. They create healing discussions and empower us to educate ourselves and take action for justice and reconciliation. In 2019 she was named a Companion of the Order of Canada—its highest distinction. The incredible film screening of Trick or Treaty was followed by an interactive Q&A session with Alanis Obomsawin. Featured at this event was an interactive treaty map. The goal of this activity is to recognize the importance of treaties and whose traditional territories we live, work and play. Community members were encouraged to take a push pin and pin it to the map. Acknowledging



treaties shows respect for the Indigenous Nations that have taken care of the land since time immemorial. TMAPS was honored to support and collaborate with the Treaties Recognition Week Committee. And we thank the Committee for their outstanding work in putting together this event.



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EXECUTIVE REPORTS

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VICE-PRESIDENT SERVICES & FINANCE

As Vice-President Services & Finance, my short tenure has been marked by a steadfast commitment to enhancing the services we offer to our members and ensuring operational excellence. Overseeing the administration of the Bursary and Emergency Grant program has been a highlight, allowing us to directly support our members in times of need. In addition, I have placed a strong emphasis on collaborating with our dedicated staff and various committees to ensure that our organization continually adapts and improves in serving our community.

Looking forward, I am excited to continue developing new services and initiatives that resonate with and benefit our members. I have started negotiations with various food box organizations to negotiate discounts and subsidies for our members. My focus remains on fostering a dynamic and responsive environment that aligns with our organizational values and the diverse needs of those we serve.

I've highlighted some updates below:

- Chaired Bursary committee meetings
- Chaired Finance committee meetings
- Provided financial updates to the board and executives
- Processed emergency grant applications and sponsorship requests
- Helped president and executive director in management and human resources matters
- Started an office procedure review committee and started the process of automating and electronification of internal process and documentation with help of executive director and internal coordinator

- Negotiated discounts with Good Food boxes
- Joined the Chang School Council

Upcoming Projects

- Continue the discuss about accessible food alternatives and discounts for the member
- Continue to ensure equitable and accessible financial aid are available to membership
- Help organize the tax clinic for the coming term.
- Reopening of the Global Emergency Grant Relief program



EXECUTIVE REPORT

VICE-PRESIDENT GOVERNANCE AND ACADEMIC POLICY

Hi everyone, I am grateful to have been re-elected as one of your Vice-Presidents for the 2023-24 Board of Directors. Having only three Executives and one Director at the start of the Spring term was challenging operationally, and made it necessary to also fill roles outside of my elected portfolio. For example, I have been the TMAPS representative on the Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario (CFS-O) Executive Committee. This year has involved a lot of learning, including from other students' unions. I am very motivated to support and prioritize student voices and interests in the work that I do. Below are some highlights:

My updates are below:

- TMU Senate meetings representative
- Served on Nominations and Elections Committee (NEC) and Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC)
- Re-elected to AGPC
- Successfully advocated for more student representatives on Policy 60 review committee
- Chang School Council member
- Helped review Council Bylaws
- Reviewing and voting on program revisions and proposals
- Ombudsperson Committee member
- Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario (CFS-O) Executive Committee member
- Attended Provincial Executive Committee meetings
- Participated in Skills Symposium
- Attended CFS-O General meeting
- Elected the CFS-O Students with Disabilities Constituency Commissioner
- Delegate for CFS National Annual General Meeting
- Bylaw and Policy Committee Chair, focusing on improving operations and clarifying Executive portfolios
- Participating in other TMAPS internal working groups
- Outreached and engaged with members during September orientation events

Feel free to send me an email if you have any questions, or comments about the work within my portfolio at TMAPS. In the coming months I hope that we can inspire you, as a member, to participate at events, on TMAPS committees or as a Board member.



MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting is called to order at ___

2. WELCOME REMARKS

- a. Recognition of and Respect for Unceded Traditional Territories
- b. Equity Statement
- c. Welcome and meeting procedure overview

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: SAGM-23/11/30-01

Be it resolved that the SAGM agenda be approved as presented.

MOVED: TAYLOR SECONDER:

RESULT:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: SAGM-23/11/30-02

Be it resolved that the 2023 AGM minutes be approved as presented.

MOVED: TAYLOR SECONDER:

RESULT:

5. MOTION:

Motion: SAGM-23/11/30-03

To clarify annual wage adjustment based on Consumer Price Index increase for Executive Honoraria;

Be it resolved that Bylaw article 7.2.a be amended as presented.

“7.2 Responsibilities of the Executive Committee

- a. The President, Vice-President Equity & Campaigns, Vice-President Events & Outreach, Vice-President **Governance** and **Academic Policy** and Vice-President Services & Finance must work a minimum of fifteen (15) to twenty-five (25) hours per week either in the office, undertaking outreach, at sanctioned meetings, or at events of the union. The five (5) Executive positions receive honoraria of \$23 per hour, (tied to the Consumer Price Index as of May 1, 2019, **adjusted annually each subsequent year**), plus benefits, to fulfill their respective position requirements as long as the minimum hours have been met (see Policy Manual on Executive Honoraria). Each Executive Officer may be entitled to up to forty (40) hours per week on which Orientation activities or Canadian Federation of Students meetings fall. Such entitlement may not exceed six (6) weeks for any Executive Member per fiscal year.”

MOVED: TAYLOR SECONDER: YANG

RESULT:

6. SAGM REPORT

7. INCREASING MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Meal/Gift Card Form
- b. Raffle Prizes

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: SAGM-23/11/30-04

MOVED: TAYLOR SECONDER:

RESULT: