



Become a TMAPS Volunteer!

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About

If you're looking to expand your skillset you've come to the right place! Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students (TMAPS) offers exciting volunteer opportunities with the Events team. We host events all throughout the year and would love your help to make them fun and exciting for everyone! Fill out the application on tmaps.ca/volunteer/ to join.

To thank you for your hard work, we have recently revamped our **TMAPS Volunteer Reward and Recognition Program**. We believe it is important to show appreciation to our volunteers in any way we can.

For more direct involvement with future TMAPS events, join the **Events Committee**. This is an open committee for TMAPS members to discuss events and programming, ranging from student orientation to career development workshops and more.



Volunteer Rewards & Recognition Program

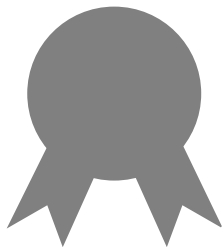
Our events could not be executed without your time and support. By implementing our Volunteer Rewards & Recognition Program, we aim to show you our appreciation for your hard work and effort.

This program highlights three tiers of volunteering with TMAPS. Once you reach a certain amount of hours, you will reach a new tier where you can receive additional rewards!



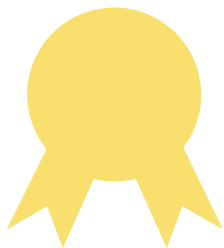
Bronze - 10 Hours

- Bronze Volunteer Certificate
- TMAPS T-Shirt and Swag Bag
- 2 Movie Tickets
- End of Year Volunteer Gala Invitation



Silver - 25 Hours

- Silver Volunteer Certificate
- TMAPS T-Shirt and Swag Bag
- 2 Movie Tickets
- \$25 Oakham Gift Card
- General Letter of Recommendation
- End of Year Volunteer Gala Invitation



Gold - 40+ Hours

- Gold Volunteer Certificate
- TMAPS T-Shirt and Swag Bag
- 2 Movie Tickets
- \$50 Oakham Gift Card
- Personalized Letter of Recommendation
- End of Year Volunteer Gala Invitation

Roles and Skills

Volunteering offers an excellent opportunity to develop a wide range of skills! Each of our events has numerous roles available, each tailored to different skill sets, ensuring that everyone can find a position that aligns with their strengths and interests.

Event Facilitator / Host

Welcome and interact with attendees; give opening and closing remarks; and promote our social media and upcoming events.

- Leadership
- Time Management
- Audience Engagement
- Public Speaking

Greeter / Social Squad

Facilitate icebreakers with community members; engage the public and student community at TMU; answer any questions that students may have.

- Communication Skills
- Interpersonal Skills
- Public Speaking
- Active Listening

Notetaker

Noting who is speaking and summarizing key points at meetings or workshops; capture essential info for future reference.

- Written Communication
- Attention to Detail
- Organization
- Active Listening

Roles and Skills

Set Up

Bring furniture and event-related equipment to the event location; rearrange furnishing in event space, as needed.

- Time Management
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Physical Coordination

Tear Down and Debrief

Bring furniture and various items back to TMAPS office; discuss challenges and successes that occurred at the event with TMAPS team.

- Time Management
- Teamwork
- Physical Coordination
- Reflection and Feedback

Outreach (in-person)

Assist with indoor and outdoor tabling; hand out freebies while interacting with students; answer questions; set up and takedown equipment.

- Customer Service
- Interpersonal Skills
- Public Speaking
- Flexibility or Adaptability

Outreach (virtual)

Spread awareness of events with peers and community; share event details with your social media; invite people to RSVP to the event.

- Communication Skills
- Social Media & Marketing
- Customer Service
- Networking

Roles and Skills

Event Support

Assist with organizing events; distribute materials and/ equipment at events; help with event coordination and pick up/drop off of equipment.

- Organization
- Teamwork
- Flexibility or Adaptability
- Event Coordination

Social Media Support

Pitch ideas for social media posts to promote upcoming events; covering events on social media platforms (e.g. Instagram Reels, TikTok videos).

- Collaboration
- Creativity
- Event Documentation
- Social Media Marketing

Event Committee Member

Join us for our monthly committee meeting; participate in decision-making and become involved with planning events. [Click here for more.](#)

- Collaboration
- Communication Skills
- Strategic Thinking
- Leadership

Attendee

Attend an event and claim hours for it! No work or responsibilities beyond this. This helps to encourage community members to participate.

Summer Events

Some events are from partnerships and/ collaborations with other organizations. Additional events may be added.



Pride (in-person):

TMAPS has been involved with Pride events for several years, working alongside TMGSU, TMSU, and the Equity Service Centre. In the past, we've assisted with building the float and participating in the parade!



DIY Night (in-person):

DIY Night is a great opportunity to showcase creativity and passion for hands-on projects. Together, we paint, draw, sketch, sew, and many more. This is a space for students to connect through similar interests.



Free Grassy Narrows Land Alliance Rally:

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. More info at freegrassy.net.



TMAPS Volunteer Gala:

This is an event to celebrate the achievements of our volunteers. Our 2024 Volunteer Gala was held at the Urban Farm, located at the new Daphne Cockwell Complex (DCC). There was live music and plenty of cake to go around!

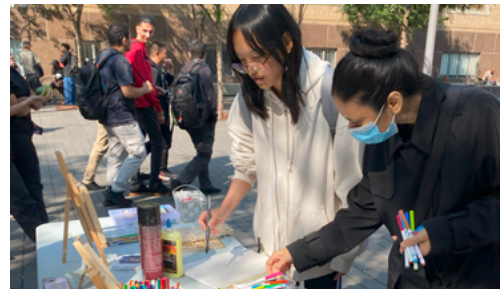
Fall Events

Below are events and initiatives that were from previous years of Fall Orientation. These are usually held in September.



Drag Bingo:

Drag Bingo is an event hosted by exciting local Draft Artists. In the past, we were fortunate to collaborate with performers like Miss Luna Dubois and Erin Brockobic. We also provide winners fun prizes!



TMAPS Takes on Gould Street (in-person):

TMAPS hosts a booth on Gould Street, joined by other student organizations as well as exciting musical performers. This is a great way for us to connect with students.



Arts & Crafts Night (in-person):

This is a creative workshop facilitated by Toronto-based artists. The art media and theme depend on the host's expertise. Mixed media textile artist Anénia Victor led our workshop back in 2022.



International Students Meet Up & Campus Tour:

We partnered with TMGSU to help provide international students and their family members with relevant and important info they need about campus, services, and more.

Fall Events

Fall is our busiest season for events! These are outside of Fall Orientation Week. Additional events may be added.



Halloween Crafts Night:

This is an event where students join us for Halloween-themed arts and crafts. We made watercolour paintings and made signs for the November 8th National Day of Action for a free and accessible education.



Trick or Treaty Film Screening:

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.



TMAPS Day of Action, Fight the Fees:

TMAPS Executives, staff, and students rallied at the TMU Campus Centre and marched to Queen's Park to spread awareness for the Fight the Fees campaign. This is in partnership with the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

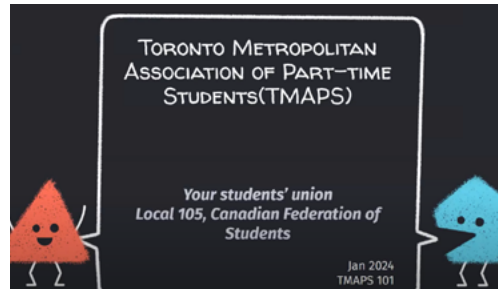
Winter Events

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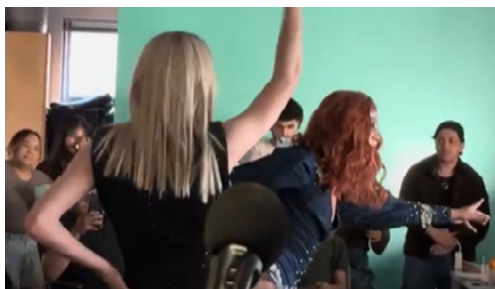
Fireside with Chang School (virtual):

This is a virtual event with the Chang School, where we hold discussions regarding resources and support services offered to Chang school students by TMU and TMAPS.



TMAPS 101 (virtual):

This is a presentation introducing you to TMAPS and all that we do. Hosted by TMAPS Execs, this semi-annual presentation helps members learn about the health & dental plan, services, campaigns, and events we host throughout the year. We also discuss how you can get involved in the union as a volunteer or class representative.



Drag Trivia Night:

Similar to summer Drag Bingo, this is an event in collaboration with Toronto-based Drag Performers. This was a great way to celebrate the start of the new semester.

Member Initiatives

Every now and then, TMAPS hosts unique events thanks to the help of talented TMAPS Executives and community members like you!



Pranayama Breathwork Session (virtual):

This event was hosted by our very own TMAPS member, Swapna Mathew. Swapna guided students in a Pranayama Breathwork session – a great way to increase mindfulness, improve mental health, and increase oxygen supply.



DIY with TMAPS - Sewing and Embroidery:

Part of our new events series, DIY with TMAPS, this is one of many events where we focus on art decompression and community building. Hosted by TMAPS VP of Events, Suanny, this was a warm and welcoming space for students to ask questions while learning how to patch up clothing.



TMUSC Open House - Valentines Art Decompression:

As part of the Toronto Metropolitan Student Centre Open House, TMAPS hosted a Valentine's Day Art Decompression space in our office at 305-55 Gould Street. Students made Valentine's themed crafts, relaxed, and connected with other members.

Events Committee

Being a Committee Member is crucial to improving the quality of events we have all throughout the year. Through monthly meetings, we discuss current and upcoming events; share and build on ideas; and more. An example of a meeting goes as follows:

1 Introduction Remarks, Land Acknowledgment

2 Adoption of the Agenda

3 Upcoming Events and Updates

- Going over events that will take place in the current or upcoming months
- Discuss details of each event; go over resources and equipment needed
- Discuss potential challenges and any changes; provide feedback and ideas

4 Feedback from Recent Events

- What type of events did you enjoy?
- What type of events are you hoping to see in the coming month? Year?
- Do you prefer in-person or online events?
- Additional comments?

5 Next Committee Meeting

- Responding to additional comments or questions
 - Deciding next meeting date
 - Confirming if in-person, virtual, or hybrid meeting set up
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Included below are skills that you can gain or improve by being involved with our committee meetings:

- Leadership
- Collaboration
- Communication Skills
- Strategic Thinking
- Logistics Coordination
- Creative Thinking
- Problem-solving
- Attention to Detail
- Resource Management
- Reflection and Feedback
- Organization
- Active Listening

Resources

For more information about Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students (TMAPS), and to get involved, visit the sites below:

TMAPS Website Homepage	tmaps.ca
Volunteer Sign Up	tmaps.ca
Upcoming Events	tmaps.ca/events/
TMAPS Committees	tmaps.ca/committees/

Event Sponsorship tmaps.ca/sponsorship/

Do you need support for an event? Is your group or organization ineligible for funding from TMSU? TMAPS may provide you with assistance through Event Sponsorship.

Eligibility:

- TMAPS will not support student groups/clubs that already receive funding from the Toronto Metropolitan Students Union (TMSU), any faculty based society at TMU or if the group/club is an Oakham Society and funded through the Student Campus Center.
- Student levy groups or societies – defined as groups of faculty based societies that collect a mandatory levy through student fees– are not eligible for funding through TMAPS.
- Approved applications must comply with relevant policies and by-laws of TMAPS, and TMU’s discrimination and harassment policy.
- Student clubs/groups supported by TMAPS must be open to all TMAPS members, including part-time degree, distance education, and continuing education students at TMU.
- Student clubs/groups supported by TMAPS may receive up to a maximum of \$1000 per fiscal year, including printing (separate room bookings).
- Limits to room bookings are listed in the table below.
- Decisions made by TMAPS concerning funding and/or sponsorship are final.