

**Arts
and
Science
Undergraduate
Society —
Assembly**
Assembly Meeting

AGENDA

1. **Motion 1** – Approval of the Agenda
2. **Motion 2** – Approval of the Minutes
3. Speaker’s Business
 - a. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement
4. Presentations
5. Discussion Period
 - a. Open Forum with Provost and Vice-Principal (Academics)
6. Executive Reports
7. Society Reports
 - a. Business of ASUS Council
 - b. Business of the Sibling Societies
8. Other Reports
 - a. Business of the Senate
9. Statements by Members
10. Question Period
11. Old Business
12. New Business
 - a. See attached motion sheet, motions 3-6.
13. Speaker’s Last Word
14. Adjournment of the ASUS Assembly

MOTION SHEET

1. That ASUS Assembly formally approve this agenda and the consent agenda.

- MOVED BY: PIPER VELOSO
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

2. That ASUS Assembly formally approve the minutes from the last Assembly held on November 20th, as seen on the ASUS website.

- MOVED BY: PIPER VELOSO
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

3. That ASUS Assembly formally ratify Miya Takahashi as ACS Chair

- MOVED BY: EMMA CAPSTICK
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

4. That ASUS Assembly formally ratify Katarina Sawicki as Socio-Cultural Chair

- MOVED BY: EMMA CAPSTICK
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

5. That ASUS Assembly formally ratify Karleigh Sutton as CARE Chair

- MOVED BY: EMMA CAPSTICK
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

6. That ASUS Assembly formally ratify Venessa Corrigan as OPS Chair

- MOVED BY: EMMA CAPSTICK
- SECONDED BY: AMAIYA WALTERS

Est Time: 2 mins

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT
ARTS & SCIENCE UNDERGRADUATE SOCIETY



PRESIDENT REPORT

Presented by **Amaiya Walters**, President

Dear Members of Assembly,

I hope you all had a restful break and a terrific start to 2024 and your winter semester!

ASURF

The Arts and Science Undergraduate Research Fund for the fall semester has closed and the ASURF Committee has selected sixteen students to receive funding! Winter ASURF is opening in the coming weeks, so keep an eye out for that!

Orientation

Head Gael Capstick has hired all thirty-seven of her Orientation Coordinators! Keep your eye out for Gael applications, which are opening in the coming weeks.

QNSA x ASUS

ASUS Executive is in conversation with the Queen's Native Students Association regarding the Reflection Room and how to create a space that is more welcoming and usable for students.

Grants

The Committee Grant, DSC Grant, Professional Development Grant, Sibling Society Grant, and the Student Initiative Grant are open and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The relevant information can be found on the ASUS Instagram under "Financials" and "Grants".

Thank you for taking the time to read my report. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments about anything in my report, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email at president@asus.queensu.ca or by coming by the ASUS Office during my office hours.



VICE PRESIDENT OF SOCIETY AFFAIRS REPORT

Presented by **Preston Harrison**, Vice President of Society Affairs

No report submitted.



VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Presented by **Therese De Rivera**, Vice President of Operations

Dear Members of Assembly,

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed your holidays and had a restful winter break.

Society Finances

Since our last term, I've worked closely with our General Manager, Sean, over the holidays to finalize several accounting and budget matters before the new year. We have successfully paid out all the honorarium and food credits to ASUS volunteers, as well as our fall distributions for ASUS grants and ASURF with great help from our accounting team. We are now making strategic plans for our next honoraria and grant distributions that will be processed at the end of this winter term. Additionally, we have categorized all transactions within our accounting system and have updated the General Operating Budget (GOB) accordingly. I will continue to hold monthly budget meetings with the ASUS council to accurately keep track of society spendings.

Direct Reports

Before the break, I discussed the ideas of several projects with my direct reports for the new year. The ASUS Store Manager and I are currently working to address our large inventory of textbook donations to ASUS, and have made a variety of events plans throughout this term to offer such resources to students on campus.

Moreover, after meeting with the ASUS IT Director, we are working to bring new additions to the technology lending library. We're excited to introduce iPads as another available resource once they have been cleared for security by our IT Director. We hope to make further expansions on this project moving forward.

Finally, I have continued to hold meetings with the ASUS Accounting Co-Directors to efficiently manage reimbursements, credit transactions, and budgets throughout the term. We will begin discussions regarding volunteer distributions and student grants early on, and operations will continue to hold meetings with the ASUS advisory board regarding these deliberations.

Orientation:

This term, the Head Gael and I have discussed plans to work together on creating an Orientation budget for the 2024/25 academic year. This will be reviewed and passed at assembly in the coming months.

Final Note:

While I'm leaving this report off with only a few updates, I imagine everything in store for the new year will approach very quickly, and I am excited to see where it will take us. As always, please do not hesitate to come by the ASUS office to chat. I am always happy to lend my support!

Best,



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ACADEMICS REPORT

Presented by **Sarah Eklove**, Academics Commissioner

No report submitted.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

Presented by **Binyat Akrem**, Community Outreach Commissioner

Community Outreach Commissioner January Report

Presented by: Binyat Akrem, Community Outreach Commissioner

Dear Members of Assembly,

I am thrilled to bring you the latest highlights and successes from the Community Outreach Commission for January.

ASUS City Engagement Program: Our ASUS City Engagement Program has kicked off with immense enthusiasm. Volunteers are actively collaborating with city representatives on projects that span various areas of focus. From researching and mapping business support in Kingston to contributing to the modernization of regulatory functions, our interns are making meaningful contributions. Regular meetings with target area representatives and networking opportunities across municipal sectors will provide valuable experiences. We eagerly anticipate their findings' presentation at City Hall, showcasing the impact of this important initiative.

Supper Series at Tommy's Diner: Our Supper Series at Tommy's Diner has evolved into a bi-monthly event, creating a warm and inviting space for community engagement. Building on the success of our December gathering, these events provide a platform for members to connect and foster a sense of unity within our organization.

Alzheimer's Outreach 5K Run/Walk: Our Alzheimer's Outreach initiative hosted a highly successful 5K run/walk. Beyond physical activity, this event played a crucial role in raising awareness and garnering significant support for the cause. We are proud to contribute to initiatives that make a positive impact on the lives of those affected by Alzheimer's.

Heart & Stroke Bake Sale and Hot Chocolate Drive: Collaborating with the Heart & Stroke Foundation, our bake sale and hot chocolate drive in early December were resounding successes. The community's overwhelming response not only contributed to the foundation's goals but also showcased the power of collective efforts in supporting heart and stroke-related initiatives.

Equity Project – Addressing Food and Living Insecurities: The Community Outreach & Equity Commission is actively addressing and destigmatizing food and living insecurities within our student community. Our collaborative approach with the AMS Food Bank, Community Cabinet, and Fridge aims to enhance the safety net for students facing insecurities. We are working towards a more comprehensive, confidential, and accessible support system, ensuring the well-being of our student community.

Looking ahead, I am excited about the challenges and opportunities the new year brings. There is much more to come, and I am enthusiastic about taking on the upcoming initiatives with the same dedication and spirit.

Binyat Akrem, Community Outreach Commissioner 2023-2024

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EQUITY REPORT

Presented by **Nathaniel Dixon**, Equity Commissioner

Dear Members of Assembly,

Welcome back, and Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had a relaxing and restful break and is settling into the new semester. Over the break, the Equity Commission has been busy preparing for the upcoming semester, I've outlined some of our projects currently in the works.

Firstly, The Community Cabinet Project. The Community Cabinet is a collaborative project between The ASUS Equity Commission & ASUS Community Outreach Commission (**Binyat Akrem**) with the AMS Food Bank. The primary goal of this initiative is to enhance the existing food bank services and provide additional avenues for students to access essential resources by creating a supportive environment for students facing food and living insecurities. This project has made a lot of progress so far with our proposal. Binyat and I will be meeting with the AMS Vice President of Operations (**Michelle Hudson**) and The Commissioner of Social Issues Internal (**Ruth Osunde**) next week to talk more about logistics and the working relationship between ASUS and the AMS for this project.

Secondly, Productive Pastime. The Commissioner of Social Issues External (**Khadija Farooq**) and I are planning on hosting the January edition of the bookclub later this month, with the topic of discussion being centred around Women's Rights and Healthy Masculinity. The logistics and date for the event are currently in the works.

Thirdly, The Equity and Accessibility Grants. The Equity and Accessibility Grants were a major success last semester as both grants were maxed out and utilized by both students and clubs across the Arts and Science faculty. I am excited to get them up and running again later this month to aid more students and clubs in need this semester.

Fourthly, The Equity Art Market. Planning for the Equity Art Market has begun, and this event is a collaboration between The ASUS Equity Commission and The ASUS Community Outreach Commission (**Binyat Akrem**). Essentially, the market will provide a platform for equity-deserving students to showcase, share, and sell their artistic creations and talents.

In terms of the equity committees, many of them have begun or finished planning for their upcoming events this semester. Some key events to look out for include the Equity

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Conference, an Ethnic Expo, The Research and Recommendation Survey + Food Drive event, and The DNA Valentines event.

I am excited to see what the future holds for the Equity Commission this year, and I am already so pleased with the work my team has done so far. If anyone has any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email. Best of luck this semester!

Best,

GOVERNANCE REPORT

Presented by **Piper Veloso**, Governance Officer

Hello members of Assembly!

Happy New Year!

This semester is being kicked off with the Winter Election season. During this time, we will be electing the incoming executives of ASUS. Please find the key election dates below:

- Nomination Period (Jan 10th-19th)
 - All candidates (Jan 18th)
- Verification Period (Jan 20th-21st)
- Campaign Period (Jan 22nd-28th)
 - Debate/Open Forum (Jan 25th)
- Voting days (Jan 29th-30th)

This is also the first opportunity for the updated election policy to be applied. We are excited to see what is to come and to continue updating election policy to better reflect our Election process.

As for the rest of Governance, it is business as usual. This first week back has been dedicated to planning for the semester ahead. The Governance team and myself are so excited for what is to come!

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. My door is always open.

Sincerely,

Piper

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MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Presented by **Helena Shimwell**, Marketing & Communications Officer

Dear Members of Assembly,

Hello and Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had relaxing and restful breaks and have settled into the new semester with ease. Over the break and during the first week back, the Marketing and Communications Office has been busy preparing for this upcoming semester, below I will outline all the projects we have currently in the works.

Firstly, the ASUS Birthday Party, held before the break, was a huge success, with a turnout of over 100 people who came out to celebrate ASUS turning 133! We ran out of both pizza and cupcakes with a line up out the door, we feel students were quite happy with the event and hope to be able to run similar birthday events in the future.

For upcoming projects this year, we have finalized and confirmed this year's Arts and Science sweaters, to be sold to the student body. This year we have come out with two sweater designs, one embroidered and one screen-printed and are expecting delivery this Friday December 12th! Along with designing the sweaters, my team and I have been planning the photoshoot to market these sweaters. We plan on doing candid photos across campus, styling the sweaters in ways students would typically wear them. Additionally, we plan on using disposable cameras to give a more vintage feel. Ultimately, I'm very proud of the work done on this merchandise and we hope to have the sweaters available on our website in early February.

The other product my team and I have been working on are St. Patrick's Day bucket hats to be sold to students! These designs are to be finalized in late-January and ordered in time to be marketed for St. Patrick's Day.

In the Market Research area of the Marketing and Communications Office, we are in the beginning stages of planning our end-of-year feedback survey, so that it can be released in March. Once questions are finalized, the survey will be advertised on our social media accounts and posted on the ASUS website. Additionally, we will be doing in-person surveys offering incentivization to increase response rates, this way we can have the most representative feedback

on the positives and negatives of ASUS, as well as what students want to see in future.

Finally, this past week, Services Commissioner, Cole Olidis and I completed the third ASUS Street Giveaway video giving out a \$100.00 gift card to a student who completed our challenge first. These videos have been gaining a lot of traction and engagement and we have a few more planned for the remainder of the year!

I am excited to see what the future holds for the Marketing and Communications Office this year and I am already so pleased with the work my team has done this far. If anyone has any questions, comments or concerns for the marketing office, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email and I would be happy to set up a meeting. Best of luck this semester!

Sincerely,

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SERVICES REPORT

Presented by **Cole Olidis**, Services Commissioner

Hello Members of ASUS,

Welcome back! Happy new year! I hope you all had a great holiday break and got to spend time with family and friends and have some well-deserved rest! ASUS Services is gearing up for a busy winter term.

Firstly, on behalf of ASUS, I would like to thank everyone who attended ArtSci Semi-Formal! The event was a huge success and was able to help build community within ASUS. I hope everyone who attended had a great night!

I would like to formally invite you to the Exchange Buddies International Banquet taking place on January 30th. The event will be taking place at the beautiful Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts and will feature snacks, music, games, and a cash bar. The event is free for ArtSci students and has a nominal fee for those who have not paid the ASUS Membership Fee. Students can RSVP for the banquet by visiting @qu.exchangebuddies on Instagram.

ASUS Jackets is also preparing for our winter ordering period. Jackets from the fall term order should be arriving shortly and we will keep everyone notified on the delivery date. If you did not have a chance to join the Queen's tradition of owning a Jacket, follow @asusjackets on Instagram to find out when we are hosting a fitting!

I am also excited to announce that Good Times Diner is back once again for the term! We had our first services this past week and we are excited to continue to provide nutritious, hot, and free meals to all Queen's students. We are planning to work on increasing the number of meals we can provide to offer more meals to students.

Overall, for this term, we are hoping to continue and build on our success from last term. We look forward to continuing to be able to serve students and hope to have an incredibly successful term!

Warm regards,



Cole Olidis

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ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Presented by **Wilson Karch**, Chair of the Advisory Board

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Presented by **Sean Thompson**, General Manager

Dear ASUS Assembly and the Arts and Science Student Body,

For those of you that don't know me, my name is Sean Thompson, and I am the General manager for ASUS. I have been in this role since April 2021 and am working with my fourth team of ASUS Student leaders. My role is largely one of compliance, support, institutional memory, and mentorship for the Council and Leadership team. I am a Queen's ArtSci '83 alumnus and coming full circle returning to ASUS after a 30+ career in technology sales and non-profit senior leadership has been a very rewarding experience for me.

It's hard to believe that it is 2024, another winter term is beginning and with it the first winter snow! We are more than halfway through the second year of executive transition with the three-executive structure that was included in ASUS130 plan and responsibilities continue to evolve.

Through the efforts of Executive, Council, and the accounting team, December payments for Honouraria, Food Credits, and ASURF Research Grants all went out last month. Thanks to everyone involved, and also to the recipients for completing the required forms so we could process the payments.

Building on the success of Camps registration last Summer, I have submitted the Canada Summer Jobs funding applications for staffing online through the GCOS website. Despite our strong registration numbers last year, we did not receive the Canada Summer Jobs grants, so the Camp ran at a loss. Even though we can claim the payroll deductions as we are recognized by CRA as a Not-for-profit, since we pay our Camp Staff more than minimum wage, we won't be requesting the deductions this year, in the event that that was part of the reason we weren't successful with our application last year. I am excited to see how our continued experience with QBO (Quick Books Online) helps us to further integrate our camp operations with our accounting program in streamlining the process for my role of financial support and compliance.

As the 2023 calendar year has wrapped up and 2024 begins, my focus will turn to year end reporting for payroll. This will include T4 reporting for all ASUS employees throughout 2023, and also generating T4A reporting for anyone who received ASURF grants or volunteer honoraria over \$500 in the calendar year.

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We expect the Fall Jacket orders to arrive from Export Leather in the next couple of weeks for distribution and look forward to a strong Winter Jacket Sales period.

As the New Year begins and classes start for the Winter Term, I look forward to continuing my work with Council and the Executive, supporting them as they deliver the best programming and services to you, the ASUS student body.

Happy New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a long, sweeping underline.

Sean Thompson
General Manager, ASUS

HEAD GAEL REPORT

Presented by **Emma Capstick**, Head Gael

Hello, Members of Assembly,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone's break was restful and filled with joy! I would like to introduce myself again, before going into my report. My name is Emma Capstick, I use she/her pronouns and I am the 2023/2024 Head Gael.

At the beginning of December, we officially announced the 2023/2024 Orientation Chair Team, I am pleased to welcome Karleigh Sutton as the Community, Awareness, Respect and Engagement Chair (C.A.R.E), Katrina Sawicki as the Socio-Cultural Chair, Miya Takahashi as the Academic and Campus Support Chair and Venessa Corrigan as the Operation Chair to the Orientation Committee. We are all eager to begin planning Orientation alongside the 37 Orientation Coordinators we hired in December.

This month, Orientation Leader (Gael) applications will be opening for interested students in Arts and Science, Concurrent Education, Kinesiology and Computing, continuing their undergraduate career at Queen's in September 2024. This is an opportunity for upper-year students to lead a group of first-year students through Orientation events such as the Mud-Run at Robinson's Farm, games and activities at Carnival, Semi-formal and many more amazing experiences. We will be holding "Wanna Be a Gael" later in January with the date TBA. I encourage all interested students to apply and reach out to gaelfolktrio@asus.queensu.ca with any questions.

For the rest of the month, I will continue working on the budget, planning for the summer and holding meetings with stakeholders such as the Orientation Round Table and the Canadian Cancer Society. I am excited to continue my work and plan an amazing orientation for the class of 2028 with the 2024 Orientation Committee.

Sincerely,

Emma Capstick (she/her)

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ASUS Orientation Head Gael

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YEAR REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

2024 YEAR REPRESENTATIVES

Position Vacant

2025 YEAR REPRESENTATIVES

Position Vacant

2026 YEAR REPRESENTATIVES

Position Vacant

2027 YEAR REPRESENTATIVES

Position Vacant

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Position Vacant



CONCURRENT EDUCATION STUDENT ASSOCIATION (CESA) REPORT

Presented by **Maeve Stemp**, Vice-President Internal

Hello Everyone!

I hope everyone had a restorative and festive break, and is feeling ready for the new semester!

Our Bader Reps, the first year reps, and several other special guests are working to organise an event for our new Bader students for January 20th. The event will be an information session hosted by our executive, our academics coordinator, a Con Ed residence don, a Con Ed tour guide, and our dean. It will also include a portion similar to our Buddy picnic, where we will pair first year students with Bader students to meet one another, and to play as teams in a trivia event.

We are also working on organising our annual dodgeball event! We are looking at hosting it March 1st from 8:00 to 10:00 in KCVI. This is a very popular annual event, and is one of our most attended events after formal.

We are also running our first Calendar Coordination Committee (CCC), a group made up of the Year and Bader Reps and Social Affairs, on the 14th. This informal committee will meet to discuss events that all parties are hoping to run to reduce overlap and look at possible places for collaboration or prior experience. Based on its efficacy, we will look at formalizing the committee in our constitution.

Finally, we have our election period coming up! Our campaign period starts on January 28th and runs for a week, with the candidate's forum happening on February 5th, and the subsequent election days occurring on the 6th and 7th.

That's all from me! Best,

Maeve Stemp, CESA VPI



COMPUTING STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION (COMPSA) REPORT

Presented by **Owen Rocchi**, Vice President (Student Affairs)

Hello everyone!

I hope everyone had a restful winter break, and a great start to their semester so far.

We've been very busy recently with a new initiative we've started called the COMPSA Club Roundtable. The initiative involves all clubs on campus that are related to computer science, hoping to create a more cohesive community. This will allow us to more easily keep in touch with the clubs to both help them, and to more easily facilitate collaboration in the future.

Our marketing team has also been making steps towards releasing more merch! We had a huge success with the merch we've already released this term, and cannot wait to release more.

COMPSA has also been busy working on the upcoming executive election. We're currently in the process of setting final dates for everything related to the election process. There seems to be a lot of interest in teams running in the upcoming election, which I'm personally very excited to watch play out!

Thanks for reading, and kind regards,

Owen Rocchi
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PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION AND KINESIOLOGY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (PHEKSA) REPORT

Presented by **Payton Rix**, Vice President of Operations

January 10th, 2024, Assembly Report

Dear Assembly,

I hope you all have had a lovely holiday break! I am looking forward to seeing you all in person!

Winter Election and Hiring Period

As we head into the winter semester, PHEKSA is planning for the winter elections. We have 3 executive positions, Vice President of Operations, Vice President of University Affairs, and President, that will be filled during this time. We have changed our constitution so our other two executive positions, Finance and Internal Affairs Commissioner, will be hired and therefore no longer be involved in the upcoming election. This is a busy time for our faculty society however we are very excited to welcome the new executive team prior to hiring the rest of the 2024-2025 PHEKSA Assembly.

Winter Semi Formal

Before exam season, PHEKSA held its annual semi-formal event and it was excellent! This year we decided to combine the event with the Health Studies students that fall under the School of Kinesiology and Health Studies, and it was a great success!

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In addition to our collaboration with Health Studies during the semi-formal, we worked together to raise money for our faculties. We held a 'pie-in-the-face' fundraiser where PHEKSA executive members and SKHS professors volunteered themselves and allowed students to pie them! It was a great success.

At this time, PHEKSA does not have any motions we wish to propose to the group.

I hope you all are doing well! If you need any other updates or have any questions please let me know!

Kind regards,

Payton Rix (She/Her)

Vice President of Operations

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BUSINESS OF THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY

**FIRST-YEAR ASUS REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE AMS**

Position Vacant

ASUS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE AMS

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.



BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

**BUSINESS OF ACADEMIC
REPRESENTATIVES**

SOCIAL SCIENCES REPORTS

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES REPORT

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

ARTS AND LANGUAGES REPORT

Presented Kaitlyn Chevrier, Arts and Languages Representatives

Dear ASUS Assembly,

Happy new year! I hope everyone had restful and joyous winter holidays.

This report will be a short one from me: I have now been introduced and put in touch with all DSC Co-Presidents that fall into my cluster and am eager to meet with the DAN School of Drama and Music representatives once they are chosen. With a complete cluster, we will be able to begin planning our annual section event! More details on that are to come.

The Faculty of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee (FAS CC) began its first cycle this week with our inaugural meeting on January 10th. With all the changes undergoing the FAS, the submissions this year are plentiful and expected to keep us busy for the remainder of the semester. FAS CC meets weekly, and we will continue to consider the proposed curriculum changes with the best interests of students at the forefront of our minds. I am looking forward to seeing all that this committee can accomplish in 2024!

Sincerely,
KC

Kaitlyn Chevrier (she/her/elle)
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HUMANITIES

Presented by Amber Mifkovic, Humanities Academic Representative

Dear Members of Assembly,

I hope that your holiday season has been both relaxing and enjoyable in equal measure!

Due to the exam season and end of term, there is little to report. The Humanities Departmental Student Councils seem to be running smoothly still, as quite a few have run merchandise campaigns, and are beginning to prepare for the Winter semester programming. I will be made available once more if any should need my guidance or assistance on those matters.

More pressingly, students have been coming to me with concerns regarding the budgetary crisis within Arts and Science. I should like to formally acknowledge my enduring commitment to advocating for all humanities studies in light of this distressing news. Transparency and widespread knowledge of future plans from those in higher positions has been sorely lacking, and I firmly believe that the students should be granted both. I will support their endeavours in obtaining this information at future meetings, and events concerning these matters.

Other than these matters there is no further business to report.

Sincerely,

Amber Mifkovic
Humanities Academic Representative