

Executive Goals – Summary

Aisha Abawajy (President)

The DSU President champions student voices, ensures efficient Union governance and operations, and is the local and national spokesperson for the Union.

Summer

- ❖ Collaboration with DBDLI Ancestral Roots Summit and Black Youth Conference.
- ❖ Develop leader training Anti-Oppression module for O-Week.
- ❖ Hire Sexton Coordinator and provide Sexton with extra DSU office and storage space.
- ❖ Create efficient communication channels with councillors and create more opportunities for council engagement.

Fall

- ❖ Launch the Presidential Committee.
- ❖ Create a DSU Workshop Suite and collaborate with student societies on workshops.
- ❖ Support the DSU Street Squad and enhance their ability to engage with students
- ❖ Engaging with varying student groups on campus.
- ❖ Create efficient communication channels to engage with Council.

Winter

- ❖ Collaborate with Offices and Societies to support BIPOC initiatives on and off campus.
- ❖ Lobbying for a student-centric approaches to government and administration.
- ❖ Assist in the execution of Mental Health, Food Security, and International Student Advocacy campaigns.
- ❖ Create efficient communication channels to engage with Council.
- ❖ Support student-produced content through the ‘We are the DSU project’.

Calista Hills (Vice-President, Internal)

The Vice-President, Internal leads all DSU communications, ensures good society governance and access to support, and engages students with the DSU and its governance.

Summer

- ❖ Release of new and more efficient ratification form.
- ❖ Finish the process of creating the new DSU website.
- ❖ Create a constitution template for Faculty and Levy societies.
- ❖ Incorporate accessibility alterations of the SUB into the DSU's strategic plan.
- ❖ Begin developing and consulting on a plan for Indigenous Students issues policy.

Fall

- ❖ Integrate Sexton Advisory Committee and the Accessibility Fund Committee into the DSU bylaws.
- ❖ Create a new society resource hub on the DSU website.
- ❖ Establish channels for DSU societies to connect with external accessibility services/resources.

Winter

- ❖ Society integration into Brightspace.
- ❖ Overhaul society structure based on 2018-2019 Town Hall report.
- ❖ Develop a Campus Service Audit Report comparing Dalhousie's service distribution across all campuses.
- ❖ Host a DSU Sexton Society Expo
- ❖ Install changing stations in all SUB bathrooms.

Isa Wright (Vice-President, Finance and Operations)

The Vice-President, Finance and Operations revises the DSU budget to reflect the current needs of students, audits society financials, and manages the Union's operations.

Summer

- ❖ Divestment from fossil fuels through the ethical investment committee.
- ❖ Compile data on use of International Emergency Bursaries and advocate for increased supports for international students.
- ❖ Begin the process of developing issues policies on Reproductive Rights and Queer Issues.

Fall

- ❖ Create a financial literacy workshop series.
- ❖ Collaborate with DSUSO on a workshop series about climate change organizing.
- ❖ Publish a detailed and accessible 2019-2020 revised budget.
- ❖ Create equity-based grants policy and work with the DSU Offices to develop guidelines for allocating funding.
- ❖ Streamline society treasurer training and audit process.

Winter

- ❖ Hold tabling hours on all campuses to get input on the DSU budget for the 2020-2021 year.
- ❖ Rewrite the Sponsorship Policy, with a focus on ethics and maximizing benefit for students.
- ❖ Complete issues policies on Reproductive Rights and Queer Issues.
- ❖ Publish a detailed and accessible 2020-2021 budget.

Ruby Coles (Vice-President, Student Life)

The Vice-President, Student Life creates community through fostering school spirit and civic engagement, organizes DSU programming including O-Week and Dal Fest, and collaborates with communities to improve programming and events.

Summer

- ❖ Plan a safe and accessible O-Week.
- ❖ Incorporate consent and harm reduction strategies into all programming.
- ❖ Create more opportunities for students to connect and build community.
- ❖ Create the basis for a Student Mental Health Committee
- ❖ Establish a new independent speaker series to highlight Dalhousie students and empower them to share their ideas.

Fall

- ❖ Run a safe and accessible O-Week.
- ❖ Continue to develop independent speaker series to highlight Dalhousie students and empower them to share their ideas.
- ❖ Develop and executive programming regarding food security.
- ❖ Exam programming and self-care promotion.
- ❖ Collaborate with DalOut on Alternative Pride week..

Winter

- ❖ Host a successful Sno-Week.
- ❖ Present independent speaker series that highlights Dalhousie students.
- ❖ Continue to build upon and improve the Impact Awards.
- ❖ Exam programming and self-care promotion.
- ❖ Promote Mental Health Awareness week.

Hasan Sinan (Vice-President, Academic and External) (Interim)

The Vice-President, Academic and External identifies trends in education affecting students; develops advocacy campaigns; and lobbies for student needs with government and administration.

Summer

- ❖ Assist in developing mental health and food security campaigns.
- ❖ Support Muslim students through collaboration on Dalhousie Iftar, assisting with the revitalization of the Muslim Students Association, and supporting student-organized Eid events.
- ❖ Advocate for student-centric approaches to food security to government and administration.
- ❖ Begin developing International Students issues policy.
- ❖ Collaborate with offices and societies to compile data on food security.

Fall

- ❖ Collaborate on Get Out the Vote campaign – connect students to local candidates and make data on party platforms accessible.
- ❖ Release International Students issues policy and compiled information surrounding the 2018-2019 tuition increase.
- ❖ Assist in developing mental health and food security campaigns.
- ❖ Work with societies to organize and run their own campaigns.