DSU Vice-President, Academic & External
Report for the period October 9 – October 23

Portfolio Updates

Senate
- Seats filled: 11
- One seat is open for the Undergraduate Academic Programs Sub-Committee
- Oct 16 - Attended Senate Planning and Governance Committee.
- Discussed the establishment of an official policy/procedure for considering academic amnesty requests. - This was approved!
- Discussed adoption of an EDI statement in the Terms of Reference of all Senate ad-hoc committees.
- Schulich School of Law presented their Faculty Strategic Plan.
- Report given on Academic Freedom for non-bargaining unit faculty by ad-hoc committee.
- Senate Discipline Committee - Reviewing final report from 2018/2019.
- Reviewing Senate Meeting Package for October 28th, planning on holding Senate Caucus meeting prior.
- Looking into proxy process for student senators.

Campaigns
- Federal Elections - Attended Halifax MP Debate at Kings, did tabling prior to the event.
  - Planned Federal Elections trivia in the Grawood - cancelled due to power outage.
  - Spoke on CTV-Atlantic about voting in the Federal Election.
  - Tabled on October 9th on Sexton and offered rides to students to vote on Studley.
- Mental Health
  - Met with Commissioner to discuss campaign ideas.
  - Will be meetings with VPSL and others soon to discuss upcoming plans for Mowvember, awareness campaign around learning disabilities, and other ideas.
External Relations/Issues

- Provincial Sexualized Violence Prevention Committee - Received updated summary of funding proposals and final report entitled ‘Guidelines and Recommendations for Nova Scotia Universities and the Nova Scotia Community College Development of Survivor-Centric Sexual Violence Policies and Responses’.
- Dalhousie University - In communication regarding License Designation and University Alcohol Policy.

DSU Committee Updates:

External Committee

- Compiling issues raised in Council Strategic Planning Brainstorm and other previous consultation to create agenda for upcoming External Committee meetings.

Offices Steering Committee

- No current updates.

Grants Committee


Academic & External Commissioner

- On-boarding process complete!
- Working on getting them access to official @dal commissioner email.
- Tasked with creating summary report based on ‘Report Card’ information collected at October 2018 Sexton Town Hall.
Miscellaneous Updates:

- Sent varying reports to Policy and Governance Coordinator to prepare policy briefs.
- Reviewing early Draft Student Code of Conduct.

Regular Meetings

- October 10th - Executive Committee.
- October 14th - Executive Committee.
- October 15th - DSU Staff meeting, Student Affairs Luncheon, SDC Decision Ratification meeting.
- October 17th - Executive Committee.
- October 21st - Executive Committee, Communications Team Meeting.
- October 22nd - Commissioner Check-in, Social Justice Team Meeting, and Council Preparation Meeting.