



MEMBERSHIP ADVISORY

RE: DALHOUSIE OMBUDSPERSON ANNOUNCEMENT

TO: THE DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

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AND KATHLEEN REID, PRESIDENT, DALHOUSIE STUDENT UNION

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WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE that the ombudsperson hiring committee, comprised of student and university administration representatives, has selected Diane Hawco as our new ombudsperson for Dalhousie University.

Diane will serve as an independent, impartial, and confidential resource for Dalhousie students who want to resolve any university-related concerns. The role includes assisting students involved in academic and non-academic matters and proceedings, advising them of their rights and responsibilities, and referring them to the appropriate offices and resources within the university community.

With a combination of social work, law, and mediation training and education, Diane brings several years of diverse experience to this role including acting as a mediator, conciliator, and most recently, victim services officer for the Nova Scotia Department of Justice. Diane has also recently been granted a three-year appointment as a justice of the peace for the province of Nova Scotia.

With a passion for procedural fairness, building strong relationships, and providing students an accessible, independent, impartial, and confidential office, Diane is looking forward to joining the Dalhousie team.

The Office of the Ombudsperson will be located on the 4th floor of the Student Union Building. Diane starts in this new role on November 7, 2016 and can be reached at ombuds@dal.ca, and online at dal.ca/ombudsperson.

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