

OFFICE OF THE CAMPUS COUNCIL

FOR INFORMATION	PUBLIC	OPEN SESSION
TO:	UTSC Campus Affairs Committee	
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DATE:	April 30, 2018 for May 7, 2018	
AGENDA ITEM:	3c	

#### **ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

Annual Report: Recognized Campus Groups

#### JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Section 5.9 of the UTSC Campus Affairs Committee Terms of Reference states that the Committee receives annually, from the appropriate administrators, reports on services within its areas of responsibility, including campus organizations.

#### **GOVERNANCE PATH:**

- 1. UTSC Campus Affairs Committee [For Information] (May 7, 2018)
- 2. University Affairs Board [For information] (May 24, 2018)

#### **PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

No previous action in governance has been taken on this item.

#### HIGHLIGHTS:

In accordance with the university's *policy on recognition of campus groups*, this is a report on administrative decisions to grant, deny or withdraw recognition for groups based on the UTSC campus for the 2017-18 academic year.

• There are 275 groups listed in this memorandum that have been granted recognition from a total of 118 new group applications and 183 returning group applications

- Recognition of one campus group was revoked after we learned they were booking space for a sorority Campus Group Membership data is provided in this report revealing that:
- The cumulative number of UTSC members of all recognized campus groups is 10733
- The average number of UTSC members per group is 39

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Presented for information only.

#### **DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:**

Annual Report 2018: UTSC Campus Groups

#### MEMORANDUM

То:	Members of the UTSC Campus Affairs Committee
From:	Desmond Pouyat, Dean of Student Affairs
Date:	April 30, 2018
Subject:	2017-18 UTSC Recognized Campus Groups

The size and diversity of the student community at the UTSC campus provides an extraordinary number of opportunities for students to participate in a vast array of activities undertaken by campus organizations. Participation in these groups forms an integral part of the student experience. Campus groups contribute in a variety of ways to the educational, intellectual, recreational, social and cultural life of the University community. For many students, involvement in voluntary campus organizations is not only a traditional part of campus life, it forms a significant component of their learning while at the University.

Many recognized campus organizations engage in co-curricular activities which enrich the participation of their members in their own academic programs. Involvement in a campus organization can also provide significant learning opportunities for students with respect to leadership, civic and community engagement, and organizational capacity. Since many campus organizations address the complex issues of the world around us, engagement in a campus group can often provide important opportunities to be exposed to different ideas and perspectives. This helps the University provide meaningful opportunities for debate and dissent, and fosters the development of students' understanding of difference. Finally, participation in campus groups provides one means by which students integrate and engage with small communities within the University of Toronto.

In accordance with the University's *Policy on Recognition of Campus Groups*, this is a report on administrative decisions to grant, deny or withdraw recognition for groups based on the UTSC campus in this academic year.

All groups that have been granted recognition for the 2017-18 academic year are listed in this memorandum.

Recognition of campus groups by the University provides a number of basic benefits and opportunities:

- 1) the right to use the name of the University in the name of the group and in conjunction with group activities;
- 2) eligibility to University facilities and meeting spaces at no cost or at a lower cost compared to external organizations;
- 3) eligibility to apply for temporary office space
- 4) access to web site hosting services for the organization and other Internet services;
- 5) listings in directories provided to the University community and to the public as an official University of Toronto campus group;
- 6) verification letters confirming recognition status (sometimes required by banks and other external organizations); and
- 7) access to other services and resources.

An organization seeking recognition must submit an annual application to the Department of Student Life and a copy of group's constitution. The constitution should outline the group's purpose, objectives and procedures. It should address organizational structure, membership, meetings, the election or appointment of members in leadership positions, amendments to the constitution, and rules of conduct. A commitment to democracy and accountability to members should also be reflected.

Full membership in a recognized campus group (including eligibility to vote and serve in a leadership position) must be open to any member of the University community (including all students, staff, faculty and alumni) from any division. While discriminatory membership practices are not allowed, it is acknowledged that certain groups could well be homogeneous in nature without being discriminatory. Status as non-voting members may be extended to interested persons from outside the University.

Groups seeking recognition by the University must be genuine campus organizations and generally non-profit in nature. A recognized campus group cannot be controlled by any external body. However, many organizations are affiliated with provincial, national or international bodies and other external groups.

Under the terms of the *Policy on Recognition of Campus Groups*, the University will not attempt to censor, control or interfere with any group on the basis of its philosophy, beliefs, interests or opinions expressed unless and until these lead to activities which are illegal or which infringe the rights and freedoms of others within the community. By the same token, recognition as a campus group implies neither endorsement of a group's beliefs or philosophy, nor the assumption of legal liability for the group's activities.

Please note that pursuant to the *Policy on Recognition of Campus Groups*, the recognition of groups which draw their membership from only one academic division is delegated to the governance body of that division.

It is important to note that there are hundreds of additional clubs, many athletics and recreation activities, Hart House clubs and committees, as well as recognized campus groups based on other campuses which, while not listed here, add significantly to the educational, intellectual, recreational, social and cultural life of the U of T community. In addition, many students are

involved in student governments, college and faculty student societies, course unions, and departmental student associations.

#### **Recognition Granted**

As of April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 recognition has been granted by the Department of Student Life to the following organizations for this academic year. More information about these organizations is available on-line at <u>https://www.ulife.utoronto.ca//</u>

Afghan Student Union African Impact Initiative African Students' Association Agape Impact Ahmadiyya Muslim Students' Association **AIESEC** Toronto Alternative Priorities X Ambassadors of Collaborative Healthcare American Sign Language Club Amnesty International UTSC Anthropology and Health Studies Association of University of Toronto Scarborough Armenian Students' Association at University of Toronto Arts, Culture and Media Students' Association Asian Christian Fellowship Aspire to Inspire at the University of Toronto Scarborough Association of Accountancy Association of Mathematical and Computer Sciences Students Bangladeshi Students Association Scarborough Because I am a Girl- UTSC Chapter Best Buddies UTSC Chapter Big Brothers Big Sisters Toronto at University of Toronto Scarborough **Biology Students' Association** Brain Hackers UTSC Campus Association for Baha'i Studies at the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Church **Campus Conservatives** CampusRush UT-sc Canadian Asian Student Society (C.A.S.S) Caribbean Connections UTSC **Changing Impressions** Cheer Team **Chemistry Society UTSC** Chinese Magazine at the University of Toronto Scarborough Chinese Music Club Chinese Student Study Club Chinese Students and Scholars Association at University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Chinese Undergraduate Association **Christian Unity Project** Christians on Campus at the University of Toronto Scarborough CommuniGrowth **Computer Science Enrichment Club** Co-op Students' Association Cornerstone CounterPose UTSC **Creative Expressions** Crossword Club Debate Club DECA UTSC Doctors for Doctors/Nurses for Nurses East African Students' Association Economics Students' Organization **Emergency Medical Response Group English Chinese Translation Studies Association** Enigma **Entrepreneurial Action Us** EnviroCare Organization Environmental and Physical Sciences Students' Association **E-Sports at UTSC Essential Eats** Experience. Realize. Act. University of Toronto Scarborough Falun Dafa Practice and Study Group at UTSC Fifa Game Club Filipino Student Association of Scarborough Free the Children UTSC Friends of Medecins Sans Frontieres / Doctors Without Borders Friends of Zahra Trust Frontier College @ U of T Scarborough **Fusion Radio Future Black Physicians Future Entrepreneurs** Gaana at The University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Gamer's Guild **Generation Campus** Geography and City Studies Student Association GLOBAL YOUTH IMPACT - UTSC Chapter **Goodwill Society** Graduate Students' Association at Scarborough Greek Students' Association Green Path Association Habitat for Humanity UTSC Han Chinese Culture Association

Harry Potter Alliance UTSC - ScarBurrow Health Occupation Students of America UTSC Health Research Outreach Team Hear2Speak @ UTSC Hindu Students' Council **Hispanic Student Union** Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association Holiday Hope Campaign Home Safe Hope for Humanity Human Resources Alliance Impact Running In Visibility Indian Students Association Indigenous Culture Club International Development Conference at UTSC International Development Studies Students' Association InterVarsity Christian Fellowship **Investment Society** Iranian Students' Organization **Islamic Relief** Jack.org at the University of Toronto Scarborough Japanese Canadian Society Kashmiri Student Association Korea Fever UTSC Language Translation & Social Science Career Path Association Latin American Students' Association Law Society of UTSC Let's Talk Science Lifeguarding Society - Scarborough Linguistics Student Association LIVE Competition Love Your Neighbour Club Maker Society Management and Economics Students' Association Management and International Business Association Management Consulting Club Management Technology Association Mandarin Christian Fellowship Maternal And Natal Health Initiative Medical Education Initiative Organization Medicine, Education and Development for Low Income Families Everywhere Mental Unity Group Mindfulness Association Minds Matter Magazine

Mixed Martial Arts Club Molecular Biology & Immunology Students Association Most Valuable Protégé Program (MVP) Multi-Organ Transplant Insight, Outreach, and Networking Society at University of Toronto Scarborough Museum and Cultural Studies Society Music 303 mutauepsilon Novelty: The Chinese Students' Association **Oncology Research Association** Orthodox Christian Student Association Oxfam Canada at UTSC Pakistani Students Association PetsInDanger Political Science Student Association Power to Change-UTSC Pre-Chiropractic Club Project A The Anime Club **Project START! Science** Psychology and Neuroscience Departmental Association **Relay For Life UTSC** Republic of China Student Association (ROCSAUT) Revolutionary Student Movement-University of Toronto Scarborough Campus **RISE DANCE COMPANY RoticDominate Rural Health Care Access Foundation** Scarboard Scarborough Campus Archery Club Scarborough Campus Bhangra Team Scarborough Campus Hockey Players Association Scarborough Campus Maple Leafs Fan Club Scarborough Campus OUT SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS PUNJABI ASSOCIATION Scarborough Campus Residence Council Scarborough Campus Smash Club Scarborough Campus Students' Union Scarborough Campus Table Tennis Club Scarborough Campus Tabletop Club Scarborough Chinese Christian Fellowship Scarborough College Athletic Association (SCAA) Scarborough Ismaili Students' Association Scarborough Pre-Med Society Scarborough Urban Dance Collective Scinapse at University of Toronto Scarborough SHARE NOW!

Shinerama (Cystic Fibrosis Canada) Shutterbugs Photography Club Sikh Students Association UTSC Chapter South Asian Alliance Spanish Student Organization (SSO) - UTSC Sports and Business Association Stand-Out (Communication & Mentorship) Steps to Change Student Coaching Club Student Connectome Project Students For Make A Wish Students for Partners in Health: Toronto UTSC Chapter Students of English Literature and Film at UTSC Students of Sociology at University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Students Supporting UHN Sufi Students Association Supporting Education, Empowerment, and Development, through Science Synapse: Transmitting Awareness in Neuropathology **TEDxUTSC** Thagalayn Muslim Association The Entertainment Tech Daily The French Department Student Association The Marketing Group The Muslim Chaplaincy at University of Toronto Scarborough The Olive Branch of Hope x UTSC The Underground The University of Toronto Scarborough Dragon Boat Team The University of Toronto Future Entrepreneur Skills Building Group The University of Toronto Hong Kong Student Club The University of Toronto International Human Alliance The University of Toronto KiPOW! Canada Fundraising Committee The University of Toronto Scarborough Alzheimer's Society The University of Toronto Scarborough Sri lankan Student Association The UTSC Cancer Society The UTSC Chess Club The UTSC Human Concern International for Orphans The UTSC SickKids Foundation The Wildflowers Project The Women's Issue Together We Stand: UTSC Chapter **Toronto Investors Toronto Raptors Club** Toronto Students for Justice in Palestine Twelve65 Underwater Association

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United Nations Simulation Society United Team for Fusion in Study and Entertainment United with Center of Addiction and Mental Health **UNITYXUTSC** University Bible Fellowship University of Toronto Carpe Diem Arts Troupe University of Toronto Korean Canadian Students (UTKCS) University of Toronto Model United Nations at Scarborough University of Toronto Mongolian Students' Association University of Toronto Ornithological Club University of Toronto Pre-Optometry Club University of Toronto Scarborough Badminton Club University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Drama Society University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Quidditch University Of Toronto Scarborough Campus Tamil Students' Association University of Toronto Scarborough Card Games Club University of Toronto Scarborough Conservative Students Association University Of Toronto Scarborough Liberals University of Toronto Scarborough Pharmacy Association University of Toronto Scarborough Students for Life University of Toronto Scarborough Vietnamese Students Association (UTSVA) University of Toronto Secular Alliance Scarborough University of Toronto Underwater Club UTSC ASSASSINZ UTSC Blood Team **UTSC** Catholic Chaplaincy UTSC Climbing Club **UTSC** Cosplay Community UTSC Cricket Club UTSC De-Stressor Club **UTSC Eating Disorders Association** UTSC Entrepreneurship & Networking Association UTSC Film Club UTSC Glee Club UTSC Good2Talk UTSC Guitar Club UTSC in Support of the Canadian Red Cross UTSC Japanese Student Community UTSC Kidney Club UTSC Muslim Students' Association UTSC Parks Canada Club **UTSC Pre-Dental Society** UTSC Recognizing the Retired **UTSC** Robotics

UTSC Rotaract UTSC Social Club UTSC Street Support UTSC Swim Club UTSC Toastmasters Water.org UTSC What's Up?! Student Magazine Women and Gender Studies Student Association Women and Trans Centre Women Economically Empowered Club Women in Business Association Women in Computer Science, Statistics and Mathematics World Is Moe World Politics Club World University Service of Canada

#### Recognition Statistics for the Department of Student Life as of April 11th, 2018

Summary of the applications for recognition received this year:

Total Number of Applications: 301

Recognition Granted: Recognition Denied: Recognition Revoked: **1**<sup>1</sup> Applications under Review: Applications Terminated: Applications Withdrawn by Group: Applications from New Groups: Applications from Groups Seeking Renewal:

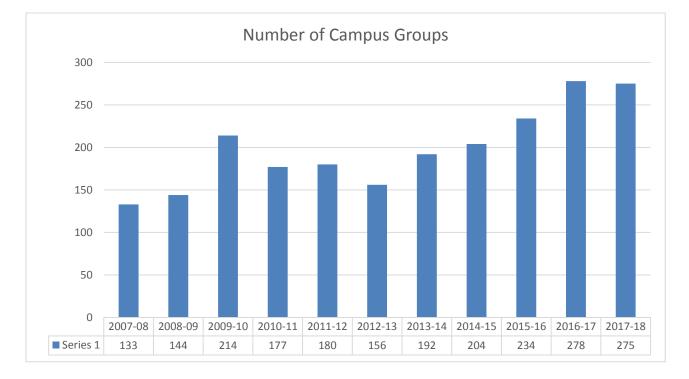
#### **Membership Data**:<sup>2</sup>

Cumulative Total Number of UTSC Members of all Recognized Campus Groups: **10,733** Average Number of UTSC Members per Group: Number of Groups with Fewer than 20 UTSC Members: Number of Groups with 20 to 100 UTSC Members:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The group was found to have been making bookings on behalf of a sorority.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Membership figures are supplied by the groups at the time of application and are not verified. UTSC membership numbers include all University of Toronto Scarborough community members (i.e., student, staff, faculty and alumni). Student membership numbers are not reported separately.

Number of Groups with Greater than 100 Members: **21** Number of Groups that did not report the number of UTSC Members: **5** 



Numbers of Campus Groups Recognized Over Time:



# Recognized Campus Groups Annual Report

May 7, 2018





### Why you should join a student group







## **Recognized Campus Groups**

- Campus Groups recognition process:
  - The Policy on the Recognition of Campus Groups set by U of T's Governing Council
  - Constitution required
  - Constitution reviewed by the Department of Student Life
  - Signing Recognition Agreement
- The constitution should outline the group's purpose, objectives and procedures
- The constitution should address organizational structure, membership, meetings, the election or appointment of members in leadership positions, amendments to the constitution, rules of conduct, and finances
- Must be open to any member of the University community
- Must be genuine campus organizations and generally non-profit in nature





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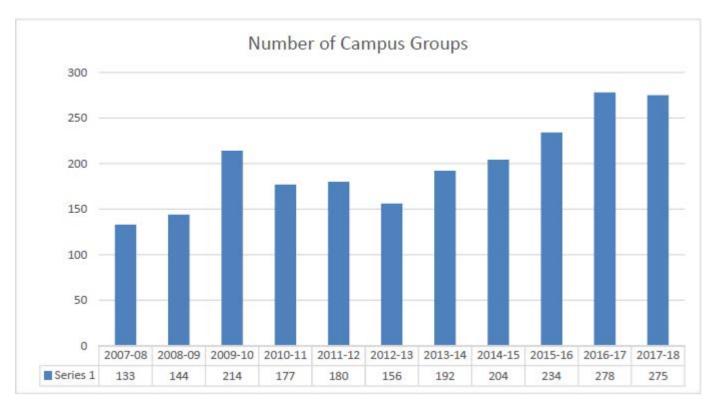
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- Campus Groups contribute in a variety of ways to the educational, intellectual, recreational, social and cultural life of the University community. Their purposes are categorized as follows:
  - Academic:
  - Athletic: 21
  - Community:
  - Cultural: 45
  - Journalism:
  - Media: **7**
  - Service:
  - Social:
  - Spirituality and Faith:
  - Student Governance:





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