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AGENDA ITEM: 11(b)

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Annual Report: Recognized Student Groups, University of Toronto Scarborough

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Section 5.6 of the University Affairs Board *Terms of Reference* states that "The Board receives annually, from the appropriate administrators, reports on services within its areas of responsibility, including but not limited to multi-campus services and offices, Campus Police, Human Resources and Equity, crisis response, and campus organizations".

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 but not limited to campus police and campus organizations. These reports are submitted to the University Affairs Board for information".

Section III.c of the *Policy on the Recognition of Student Groups* states that "All administrative decisions to grant, deny, or withdraw recognition will be reported regularly to the University Affairs Board for information."

GOVERNANCE PATH:

1. UTSC Campus Affairs Committee [For Information] (April 28, 2026)
2. **University Affairs Board [For Information] (May 27, 2026)**

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

This annual report was last presented to the University Affairs Board on May 21, 2025.

HIGHLIGHTS:

Many recognized student organizations engage in co-curricular activities that enrich the participation of their members in their own academic programs. Involvement in a student group can also provide significant learning opportunities for students with respect to leadership, civic and community engagement, and organizational capacity. Since many student organizations address the complex issues of the world around us, engagement in a student 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 to foster the development of students' understanding of difference. Finally, participation in student groups provides one means by which students integrate and engage with small communities within the University of Toronto Scarborough.

In accordance with the *Policy on Recognition of Student Groups*, this is a report on administrative decisions to grant, deny, or withdraw recognition for student groups based at UTSC for the 2025-26 academic year. There are 307 student groups listed in this report that have been granted recognition and 27 applications under review, for a total of 334 active applications. No student groups were denied recognition and no groups have had recognition withdrawn by the University.

Membership data provided in this report show that the cumulative number of UTSC members of all recognized student groups is 8,874 and the average number of UTSC members per student group is 29.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications for the University's operating budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

This report is provided for information.

DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:

UTSC Recognized Student Groups, 2025-26

To: Members of the UTSC Campus Affairs Committee
From: Tim Tang, Dean of Student Experience & Wellbeing
Date: April 20, 2026
Subject: UTSC Recognized Student Groups, 2025-26

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

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At UTSC, the staff in the Student Groups Portfolio run multiple orientation sessions to help group leaders transition successfully into their roles, and to understand UTSC resources and processes for student-led programs. Additionally, staff run biweekly Club Hub drop-in sessions, where student groups have their questions answered and brainstorm problems face-to-face. These sessions are also an opportunity for staff and group leaders to get to know each other. This year, over 80 student groups attended these sessions. Finally, the Student Groups Portfolio piloted a successful tri-campus Clubs Leadership Retreat in August 2025 and will continue this offering on an annual basis.

In accordance with the University's *Policy on the Recognition of Student Groups (the Policy)*, this is a report on administrative decisions to grant, deny, or withdraw recognition for student groups based at UTSC for the 2025-26 academic year. The student groups listed below have been granted recognition until July 31, 2026.

Recognition of student groups by the University provides several 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 use 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. listings in select University directories as a University-recognized student group;
5. verification letters confirming recognition status (sometimes required by banks and other external organizations); and
6. access to other University services and resources made available from time to time.

A student organization seeking recognition must submit an annual application to Student Life Programs along with a copy of group's constitution. The constitution outlines the group's purpose, objectives, and procedures. It addresses 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 student group (including eligibility to vote and serve in a leadership position) must be open to any currently registered University of Toronto student 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 other University community members or interested persons from outside the University.

Groups seeking recognition by the University must be genuine student organizations and generally non-profit in nature. A recognized student 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*, 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 student 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*, the recognition of student 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 student 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, academic societies, course unions, and departmental student associations.

Recognition Granted

As of March 10, 2026, recognition has been granted by Student Life Programs to the following organizations for the 2025-26 academic year. More information about these organizations is available online at sop.utoronto.ca:

1. Academic & Cultural Engagement Plus (ACE +)
2. Academic Research for Innovation and Scientific Engagement (ARISE)
3. ACE
4. Afghan Student's Association
5. African Impact Initiative
6. African Students' Association
7. AfterHours
8. Ahmadiyya Muslim Women Student Association
9. AIESEC in Toronto
10. Anthropology Departmental Student Association
11. Armenian Students' Association (ASA)
12. Artificial Intelligence in Business Association (AIBA)
13. Arts, Culture, and Media Departmental Student Association (ACMSA)
14. ARTSIDEOUT (ASO)
15. Asian Christian Fellowship (ACF)
16. Association of Accountancy (AOA)
17. Association of Biology and Beyond for Students (ABBS)
18. Association of Mathematical and Computer Sciences Students (AMACSS)
19. Association of Philosophy Students (APS)
20. Bangladeshi Student's Association (BSAUTSC)
21. Because I am a Girl- UTSC Chapter
22. Best Buddies UTSC Student Chapter
23. Beyond Profit (BP)
24. Biology Students' Association (BioSA)
25. Biotechnology And Computer Science Association (BACSA)
26. Black Future Lawyers at the University of Toronto Scarborough – Student Initiative
27. Black Students In Business
28. BlackBox Coding
29. Blankets for T.O.
30. BookQuest
31. Brain Changes Initiative Student Chapter at University of Toronto Scarborough (BCI.UTSC)
32. Breakthrough Bible Talk
33. Bridge to SocioHealth (BSH)
34. Build-A-Kit
35. Builders Campus Fellowship (BCF)
36. Business For Good (B4G)
37. Cam's Kids: University of Toronto Scarborough Student Chapter
38. Campus Church
39. Canadian Social Prescribing Student Collective chapter at the University of Toronto
40. Capital Group (CG)
41. CAPTURE UTSC Student Group
42. Care for Culture (C4C)
43. Caribbean Community Association (CCA)
44. Carpe Diem Dance Club
45. Catalyst Fellowship
46. Charity Fashion Show (CFS)
47. Chemistry Students' Society UTSC (CSU)
48. Child and Youth Mental Health Initiative (CYMHI)
49. Chinese Students and Scholars Association at University of Toronto Scarborough Campus (UTSC CSSA)
50. Chinese Undergraduate Student Association University of Toronto Scarborough (CUAUTSC)

51. Christian Student Group at UTSC (CSUTSC)
52. Collaborative Realm for Entrepreneurship, Academia, and Technology Exchange (C.R.E.A.T.E.)
53. Compassion Collective UTSC (cc UTSC)
54. Computer Science Enrichment Club (CSEC)
55. Conservation and Biodiversity Students' Association
56. Content Creation Crew (CCC)
57. CounterPose
58. Data Science and Statistics Society (DS3)
59. DermaReach
60. Desi Student Association
61. Dialogues at 1265
62. Diversity in STEM
63. Egyptian Students Association (ESA)
64. Emergency Medical Response Group
65. EmpowART UTSC Student Chapter (EmpowART UTSC)
66. EmpowerED Collective (EEC)
67. Entrepreneurship Association
68. Environmental and Physical Sciences Students' Association
69. Equipping People
70. European Student Union (EUSU)
71. EVOLVERE Mental Health UTSC Chapter (EMH @ UTSC)
72. FEMME UofT (Fertility, Endocrinology, Medicine & Menstrual Education)
73. Filipino Student Association of Scarborough (FSAS)
74. Food and Culture Association (FCA)
75. Food For Thought UTSC Student Association
76. Food Security Analytica (FSA)
77. Food Studies Students' Association (FSSA)
78. Francophone student association
79. French Department Students' Association (FDSA)
80. Future Black Physicians
81. General Gaming of Scarborough (GGs)
82. Generation Screwed – University of Toronto Scarborough (Student Group)
83. Global Markets Association
84. Global Women's Health and education initiative (GWHEI)
85. Google Developer Group (GDG) – UTSC
86. Gospel Project UTSC Club
87. Graduate Management Consulting Association at the University of Toronto Scarborough Student Club
88. Green Path Association
89. H.E.R. Formula (Her Emerging Rule-makers)
90. Hack The Valley
91. Happy Hearts (H.H)
92. Harmonies for Healing (H4H)
93. Health and Society Students' Association (HSSA)
94. Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA)
95. Hindu Students' Council
96. Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association
97. HOUSE OF OLIVES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
98. Human Biology Students' Association (HBSA)
99. Human Resources Alliance
100. Humanitarian Action Network of Students
101. Indian Students' Association (ISA)
102. Indonesian Students' Association
103. Infinite Aperture Photography Club (IAP)
104. Intellectual Quiz Club "What? Where? When?" (WWW)
105. International Development Conference - IDC
106. International Development Studies Students' Association (IDSSA)
107. International Scientists and Biomedical Research Association (ISBRA)
108. Investment Society (IS)
109. Iranian Students' Organization

110. Islamic Relief: UTSC Student Chapter
111. Jack.Org Chapter at the University of Toronto Scarborough (Jack.org UTSC Chapter)
112. Jewish Student Life Powered by Hillel
113. Journalism Student Association
114. Katalyze Student Engagement Association - UTSC Chapter (KSEAU)
115. Kavkaz and Eastern European Students Association (KEESA UTSC)
116. Korean Organization of Students (KOS)
117. Latin American Students Organization (LASO)
118. Law and Business Student Association
119. Law Society of UTSC Student Group
120. Linguistics Student Association (LSA)
121. Listening Party (LP)
122. Literary Society for Students at University of Toronto Scarborough
123. Little Medical School Student Association @ University of Toronto Scarborough
124. Magic the Gathering UTSC Club
125. Management and Economics Students' Association
126. Management and International Business Association
127. Management Strategy Council
128. Management Technology Association (MTA)
129. Mandarin Christian Fellowship
130. Maternal And Natal Health Initiative
131. Mature and Transitional Year Program Students Association (M & TYPA)
132. Medical Education Association (MEA)
133. Medicine, Education, and Development for Low-Income Families Everywhere (MEDLIFE)
134. Medicine, Innovation, and Research Association (MIRA)
135. Medicine4Youth @ UTSC Student Chapter
136. MedResearch Access Club (MRAC)
137. Meeting Individuals to Network, Grow, Learn and Engage (MINGLE)
138. Middle Eastern Students' Association (MESA)
139. Mixed Martial Arts Club (SCMMA)
140. Multi-Cultural Students' Association
141. Music 303
142. Music in Theater (MT)
143. MusicBox Children's Charity – University of Toronto Student Chapter
144. Muslims in Academia UTSC: Student Chapter
145. Nepalese Student Association
146. NeuraVia Research Chapter (NRC)
147. Neuro-Immunology Society (NIS)
148. NeuroVerse Society (NVS)
149. Newton's Apples Physics Society
150. North African Student Association UTSC
151. Novelty: The Cantonese Students' Association
152. Offline
153. Organization of Pakistani Entrepreneurs Network Youth Toronto - UTSC Chapter (OPEN Youth UTSC)
154. Our Golden Age (OGA) University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Group (OGA UTSC)
155. Ownly
156. Pakistani Students Association
157. Palestinian Culture Club (PCC)
158. Physicians of Tomorrow
159. Pledge for Pages (P4P)
160. Poetry & Prose
161. Political Science Students' Association
162. Power to Change
163. Pre-Optometry Students Association
164. Pre-Pharmacy Student Association (PPSA)
165. Prestige – Student Fashion Association of UTSC (PSFAU)
166. Principles in Research Innovation Medicine and Ethics (PRIME)

167. Psychology and Neuroscience Departmental Students' Association (PNDA)
168. Quant, Artificial Intelligence, and Fintech Society (QAIFS)
169. Quantitative Finance Students' Association (QFSA)
170. Rare Disease Foundation (RDF)
171. Rate My Courses UTSC Chapter (RMC_UTSC)
172. Rehabilitation Science Student Association
173. Relay For Life UTSC Student Chapter
174. Revolutionary Communist Party – UTSC Chapter
175. Rise Dance Company
176. Roots&Robots
177. Rotaract UTSC Student Chapter
178. Scarborough Bookworms Society (SBS)
179. Scarborough Campus Archery Club
180. Scarborough Campus OUT (SC:OUT)
181. Scarborough Campus Tabletop Club
182. Scarborough Chinese Christian Fellowship (SCCF)
183. Scarborough Ismaili Students' Association
184. Scarborough Origami Club (SOC)
185. Scarborough PEARS (UTSC PEARS)
186. Scarborough Pre-Med Society
187. Science Colloquium (SciCol)
188. Scleroderma Canada Student Network
189. SHE
190. SHN Kidney Initiative @ UTSC Student Group
191. Sikh Student Association UTSC
192. Sisters of Sumaiya (SofS)
193. Society for Conservation Biology, University of Toronto Scarborough Chapter (SCB UTSC)
194. Society for Innovation at the Intersection of Natural and Artificial Intelligence (SIINAI)
195. Society for Private Equity (SPE)
196. Sociology Students' Association
197. South Asian Women's Society
198. STRIVE CONFERENCE 2025
199. Student Managed Fund (SMF)
200. Students for Epilepsy Awareness
201. Students for Seniors' Mental Health (SSMH)
202. Students for WCH
203. Students of English Literature and Film
204. Students with a Testimony
205. StudyVerse
206. Sustainable Innovation Group (SIG)
207. Swab the World Student Chapter @ UTSC
208. Synapse: Transmitting Awareness in Neuroscience (SYNAPSE)
209. Syzygy Production Lab (SZG)
210. Taiwan Republic of China Student Association at the University of Toronto (ROCSAUT)
211. Tamil Students' Union (TSU)
212. Tamils in Finance x UTSC Student Chapter
213. TechFounders Club UofT
214. TEDxUofTScarborough
215. Thaqaalyn Muslim Association (TMA)
216. The Association of Pure and Applied Mathematics
217. The Blood Donors Student Association at UTSC
218. The Bridge Point (BP)
219. The Diabetes Awareness Society
220. The Geography and City Studies Student Association (GCSA)
221. The Marketing Group (TMG)
222. The Mental Unity Group (TMUG)
223. The Miracle Movement University of Toronto Chapter
224. The Odyssey
225. The Punjabi Students Association (TPSA)
226. The Scene Film Club (TSFC)
227. The Scriblerus Club
228. The Serpents D&D Society
229. The Society of Emerging Technologies

230. The University of Toronto Hong Kong Student Club (UTHKSC)
231. The UTSC Student Dragon Boat Team Crimson Dragons
232. The Volleyball Club (The VBC)
233. TinyTinyHomes UTSC Student Initiative
234. Twelve65
235. Unbenched
236. Undergraduate Forum for Observational Astronomy (UFOA)
237. Undergraduate Research Collective
238. United for Literacy Student Group at UTSC (UFL UTSC)
239. United Team for Fusion in Study and Entertainment
240. University Bible Fellowship (UBF)
241. University of Toronto Flow Club
242. University Of Toronto Jhalak Student Club
243. University of Toronto Scarborough Badminton Club (UTSCBC)
244. University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Hockey Players Association - Student Group (SCHPA)
245. University of Toronto Scarborough Cheerleading Student Group
246. University of Toronto Scarborough Fighting Game Club
247. University of Toronto Scarborough GO club (UTSC GO)
248. University of Toronto Scarborough LabQuest Club (UTSC LabQuest)
249. University of Toronto Scarborough Student Tennis Club (UTSC Student Tennis Club)
250. University of Toronto Scarborough Table Tennis Club
251. University of Toronto Scarborough Turkish Students' Association (TUSA)
252. University of Toronto Scarborough Vietnamese Students Association (UTSC VSA)
253. University of Toronto Student Association of Malayalees (UTSAM)
254. University of Toronto Warhammer Club (UofT WHC)
255. University of Toronto Wushu Club (UTWC)
256. UofT Aspiring Teachers Association (ATA)
257. UofT Drag Club
258. UofT Eritrean and Ethiopian Students Association (EESA) Scarborough Campus
259. UofT Paws for a Cause Student Initiative
260. UofT Thunder Club
261. UofT Undergraduate Research Students' Association (UTSC)
262. UTSC Charity Boxers Club
263. UTSC Chess Club
264. UTSC Chinese Students Art Troupe (UTSCCSAT)
265. UTSC Community Advocates Society (CAS)
266. UTSC Competitive Coding Club (UTSC CCC)
267. UTSC Cricket Club
268. UTSC Drama Society
269. UTSC Eats Campus Group
270. UTSC Falun Dafa Club
271. UTSC Film-Making Club
272. UTSC Flag Football Club (UTFFC)
273. UTSC Game Development Club
274. UTSC GenWell Student Connection Club
275. UTSC Glee Club
276. UTSC Global Affairs Student Association (GASA)
277. UTSC Good2Talk Student Group
278. UTSC Hoops Club
279. UTSC Improv Student Group (UTSCI)
280. UTSC Japanese Student Community
281. UTSC KPOP Student Group
282. UTSC Latin Dance Club
283. UTSC Model United Nations Student Club (SCMUN)
284. UTSC Muslim Students' Association

- 285. UTSC Project Sunshine Student Chapter
- 286. UTSC Sports Business Association Student Group (SBA)
- 287. UTSC Student Catholic Chaplaincy
- 288. UTSC Student Rock Climbing Club
- 289. UTSC Swim Club
- 290. UTSC Verdict Student Initiative
- 291. UTSC Vision Forge Model Building Club
- 292. UTSCards Club
- 293. Valyxen
- 294. Visual Arts Club
- 295. Volenti Vox
- 296. Web3 Student Group at University of Toronto (W3B)
- 297. Women and Gender Studies Student Association
- 298. Women in Business Association (WIBA)
- 299. Women in Computer Science, Statistics and Mathematics (WiCSM)
- 300. Women in Scientific Innovation and Outreach (WSIO)
- 301. Women in Social Sciences and Humanities (WISSH)
- 302. Women in STEM (WiS)
- 303. Women Leaders of Afrika (WOLA)
- 304. Women's Health Network, WHN
- 305. World is Moe the Second (WIM II)
- 306. World University Service of Canada
- 307. Yayra Si Youth Foundation Canada

Recognition Denied

As of March 10, 2026, no student groups have been denied recognition.

Recognition Withdrawn

As of March 10, 2026, no student groups have had recognition withdrawn.

Recognition Statistics for UTSC (as of March 10, 2026)

Summary of the applications for recognition received this year:

Total number of applications: 334

Recognition granted: 307

Recognition withdrawn: 0

Recognition denied: 0

Applications withdrawn by the student group: 0

Applications terminated by the University: 0

Applications under review: 27

Membership Data¹:

Cumulative total number of members of all UTSC recognized student groups: 8,874

Average number of members per UTSC recognized student group: 29

Number of UTSC groups with fewer than 20 members: 213

Number of UTSC groups with 20 to 100 members: 82

Number of UTSC groups with greater than 100 members: 12

¹ Membership data is provided by the student groups through a survey run by Student Life Programs in the winter session and is not verified. Membership data includes U of T students and may include U of T staff, faculty, librarians, and alumni, as well as external community members. Student membership is not reported separately.