# [80,000 Strong]

Central Student
Representation at the
University of Toronto

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6000 Part-time Undergraduates 15,000 Graduates

# tri-campus representation







12, 000 UTM Undergraduates 48, 000 Full-time Undergraduates 12,000 UTSC Undergraduates



# what do we do?





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# Our members shape what we do

We offer cost-saving services, accessible events and we advocate on behalf of our members on issues affecting them.



#### 15,000 Graduate Students Democratic Structures ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 80+ Course Unions Governing Council, other **General Council** governing bodies (BOD) 144 Committees & Caucuses representatives Council on Student Services (Legislature) **Levy Groups** 8 Executives **UTGSU Staff**

## Students' Union Services

- Services offered
  - Health and dental plans
  - TTC metropasses
  - Entertainment discounts
  - Food and clothing bank
  - Funding for hundreds of Student Clubs and Course Unions
  - Dollars for Daycare
  - Income tax clinics

- Scholarships, Bursaries
- Grants for Accessibility, Childcare, Individual and Group Conferences
- Printing services
- Student Lounge, Gym, Pub
- Confidential student appeals (academic, discrimination)
- Good food box
- Textbook exchange





Jaby Matthews



Susanne Waldorf



**Brad Evoy** 



#### Graduate Students' Union

- Campaign priorities for 2013-2014
  - graduate student funding (above poverty line)
  - supervisor relationships & harassment
  - mental health support
  - Hart House summer fees & reduction of service
- Getting involved
  - Committees & Caucuses



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# Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students

#### Campaign priorities

- Eliminate Flat Fees, Split Tuition Fees, Illegal Ancillary Fees, Interest on student fees
- More evening courses, longer hours for Student Life offices, increasing CAPS and mental health supports
- Lobbying for mature & disability student access to Ontario Tuition Grant
- Increasing student representation in governance
- Affordable and accessible transit and childcare
- Increase Minimum Wage to \$14
- Promote fair dealing and open access in copyright use

#### **Getting Involved**

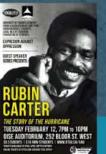
Class representatives across all three campuses













# Scarborough Campus Students' Union



Campaign Priorities

Eliminate Flat Fees, Split Tuition Fees, Illegal Ancillary Fees

Accessible and affordable transit

Increased student representation on governance bodies (Campus Council,
Space Planning Committees)

Equity Officer Hiring

Lobbying university to adopt more sustainable practices



**Getting Involved** 

Campaigns & Equity and Events Commissions, representatives from all academic departments







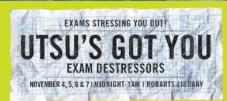
## University of Toronto Mississauga Students' Union





- Campaign priorities
  - Eliminate Flat Fees, Split Tuition Fees, Illegal
  - **Ancillary Fees**
  - Drop Credit Policy
  - Accessible Transit
  - Mental Health Awareness
  - Increase Minimum Wage to \$14
- Getting involved
  - Campus Life, Community Action, Sustainability, Equity, and University Affairs Commissions











## Working Together Works

Working together, students, governors, administrators, faculty and staff continue to make UofT better.



#### **Shared Successes**

UTM and UTSC Campus Councils, Summer 2013 Co-Curricular Transcript Launched Fall 2013 Bottled Water Free Campus Commemoration, Fall 2013 Student Commons (forthcoming) Tri-Campus Governance Coalition (ongoing)



#### Renewing Shared Advocacy

Together, students and governors can call on provincial & federal governments to increase funding for post-secondary education, and improve the quality of undergraduate and graduate education.



#### **Shared Priorities**

- 1. Increasing access: eliminate flat fees and increase minimum guaranteed funding
- 2. Lobbying for public funding: tuition fees & funding working group
- 3. Fair Deal on Copyright
- 4. Representation for International Students



# Shaping the Future



Why working together matters.





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