

Report to SGPS Council

Hello Councillors.

We are officially in the dog days of summer and now less than a month from the first day of school!

Office | We are currently hiring a work-study position to fill the role of Multimedia Producer. I am accepting applications via email until August 19. See the job posting here: https://www.queensu.ca/rector/we-are-hiring-multimedia-producer

Community Engagement | The team is busy working away at planning for the Student Leader Development Conference on October 4, the JDUC grand opening event on October 17, re-designing the website, and an initiative to thank Rector's Bursary donors and update them on the impact it has had over the last year.

Committees | While most committee work dials down during the summer, there are a few that persist. Here are my current updates.

- **Tricolour Award Selection Review:** I have struck a committee made up of student leaders, a past Rector, and Tricolour Society members to conduct an overview of award criteria nomination and selection processes.
- **Rector Election Policy Review**: I have struck a committee made up of representatives from the AMS, SGPS, Faculty Societies, and the University Secretariat, to clarify aspects of the current policy and clean it up in time for the next election. Changes will be proposed to AMS Assembly and SGPS Council in the fall for approval.
- **Graduate Funding Taskforce:** We are getting closer to the conclusion of our work and will soon have recommendations for the Provost.
- Academic Accommodations Interim Working Group: The committee has now concluded and published our <u>final</u> report. Have a read and let me know if you have any questions.

Rector's Digest | Here is my <u>latest piece</u> in the Journal. With the focus being on the First-Year experience, I passed the reins to my first-year intern, EJ Kelvin, to take over the writing for this month's column.

That's all for now! I'm currently on vacation until August 19th. Please reach out to me if you have any questions, need support, or would like to share an experience that can help me convey student voices to the administration.

At your service,

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