

Student Issues Mandate Letter

SI-00

LONG TITLE	Student Issues Mandate Letter	DATE OF ENACTMENT	29 May 2023
		LAST AMENDED	27 July 2026
REFERENCE No.	SI-00	NEXT REVIEW	April 2026
CATEGORY	Mandate Letter	COMPETENT CHAMBER	Council

PREAMBLE

This is the mandate letter and terms of reference for the Student Issues Committee (SIC). This Committee is tasked with university based advocacy, including but not limited to academic concerns, on-campus equity and empowerment of marginalized groups, and general advocacy and political positions of the Association.

MANDATE

- 1** This Committee shall have the power to:
 - (a) advocate and liaise with on-campus stakeholders, including other student-led entities and University departments;
 - (b) review and report on the efforts undertaken by association, and by extension the university, in building and enhancing frameworks for student equity, diversity, inclusivity, empowerment, health & wellness, unified support, reconciliation, and innovation, on campus;
 - (c) make recommendations to Council on advocacy matters, namely:
 - (i) matters relating to reconciliation commitments and efforts;
 - (ii) matters relating to international students' support;
 - (d) assess and recommend political positions and general advocacy values to the Council.

COMPOSITION

- 2** Per section 12 of the Committees Policy, this Committee shall have the following members:
 - (a) a minimum of four (4) councillors;
 - (b) the Vice President Student Issues as a voting member; and
 - (c) the CUSA Director of Student Services as the non-voting resource member.

MEETINGS

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- (a) Per section 15 of the Committees Policy, the Committee must meet at least once every six (6) weeks.
- (b) It is the responsibility of the Chair of the committee to inform the Vice President Internal about all committee and subcommittee meetings.

SUBCOMMITTEES

- 4** It is recommended that the Committee strike the following subcommittees:
 - (a) the Accessibility and Facilities Management subcommittee (AFMSc);
 - (b) the divestment subcommittee should be struck until divestment is achieved.

Directive

- 5** The Accessibility and Facilities Management Subcommittee shall be responsible for reviewing accessibility concerns prevailing on and off campus that affect student life.

SCHEDULE OF AMENDMENTS

DATE AMENDED	MOVED	SECONDED	SUMMARY
27 July 2026	M. Heroux	J. Proulx	(C-28) Amended to rename to Student Issues Committee.
4 August 2025	M. El Fitori	M. Heroux	(C-68) Amended to recommend divestment subcommittee.
29 May 2023	M. Faris	K. Cavero	(C-10) Adopted by Council.