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From the office of the...

Clubs Administrator

TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly
FROM: Omer Choudhry, Clubs Administrator
SUBJECT: 2024/2025 Clubs Ratification
DATE: August 29, 2024

Dear Assembly,

The MSU Clubs Department is happy to suggest eight (8) returning clubs and two(2) new clubs for ratification and official MSU recognition. This brings the total MSU Clubs for this year to two hundred & sixty-five (265) student groups that have all successfully completed the application process and have demonstrated a unique passion for serving our community.

Addendum to the Previous Memo:

Due to some administrative issues and delays that have since been resolved, the following clubs were omitted from the previous memo. For completeness, please review the additional entries listed below for ratification recommended by the Clubs Department in consultation with the Clubs Advisory Council (CAC):

Returning Clubs:

1. GlamourGals McMaster
2. MACTION Potential
3. McMaster Animal Rights Club
4. McMaster Korean Pop Culture Club (KPC)
5. McMaster Liberty in North Korea (LINK)
6. McMaster Lung Society (MLS)
7. Pediatric Mental Health Initiative
8. RUYA McMaster

New Club:

9. Hellenic Students Association
10. McMaster Young Liberals

As Clubs Administrator, I strongly believe that these two hundred & sixty-five(265) clubs will enhance student life at McMaster and within the Hamilton community in the 2024-25 academic year.

Below, you will find the description for these clubs I recommend we add to the existing list of ratified clubs that received MSU club status.

McMaster University maintains one of the largest and most diverse club departments in the country. Our continual commitment to this department empowers student voices, fosters student success, produces entry points for leadership on campus, creates space for student communities, and leads to an overall enhancement of student life at university. I strongly urge you to ratify these new and returning clubs; I greatly look forward to working with each one of them in the upcoming year.

If you have any questions, concerns, or need clarification, please contact me. Hope you enjoy the summer!

Best,

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**Section 1: McMaster Students Union 2024-2025 Clubs:
UPDATED**

	Club Name	Club Description
G	GlamourGals McMaster	GlamourGals is a student-run organization focused on providing companionship and beauty services to elderly individuals in the Hamilton community. The club organizes regular visits to local senior care facilities, where members offer makeovers and spend quality time with residents. Their mission is to enhance the lives of seniors by fostering meaningful connections and bringing joy through personal attention and aesthetic care. GlamourGals McMaster aims to promote intergenerational relationships and contribute to the well-being of elderly community members.

M	MAcTion Potential	<p>MAcTion Potential is a student organization dedicated to fostering innovation and creativity through interdisciplinary collaboration at McMaster University. The club focuses on promoting hands-on experience and skill development in areas such as technology, engineering, and entrepreneurship. MAcTion Potential organizes workshops, hackathons, and networking events designed to inspire and equip students with practical skills and real-world experience. Their mission is to empower students to explore new ideas, develop solutions to complex problems, and prepare for careers in dynamic fields.</p>
	McMaster Animal Rights Club	<p>McMaster Animal Rights Club is dedicated to advocating for the ethical treatment of animals and promoting animal rights both on campus and within the broader community. The club works to raise awareness about animal welfare issues through educational events, campaigns, and outreach activities. They organize discussions, film screenings, and workshops focused on topics such as veganism, factory farming, and animal cruelty. The McMaster Animal Rights Club aims to engage students in activism and encourage compassionate choices, striving to create a more informed and empathetic community regarding animal welfare.</p>
	McMaster Korean Pop Culture Club (KPC)	<p>McMaster Korean Pop Culture Club (KPC) is dedicated to celebrating and promoting Korean pop culture, including K-pop, Korean drama, film, and traditional culture. The club organizes a variety of events such as watch parties, dance cover performances, cultural workshops, and discussions about Korean media and entertainment. Their mission is to foster a greater appreciation for Korean culture within the McMaster community and provide a space for fans to connect, share their interests, and engage in cultural exchange. KPC aims to create an inclusive</p>

		environment where students can explore and enjoy the diverse aspects of Korean pop culture.
	McMaster Liberty in North Korea (LINK)	McMaster Liberty in North Korea (LINK) is a student organization committed to raising awareness about human rights issues in North Korea and supporting efforts to improve the lives of North Korean refugees. The club works to educate the McMaster community on the political and humanitarian situation in North Korea through guest lectures, film screenings, and advocacy campaigns. They collaborate with organizations dedicated to North Korean human rights and provide opportunities for students to get involved in fundraising and support activities. LINK aims to inspire action and generate dialogue about the challenges faced by North Korean people while advocating for their rights and freedom.
	McMaster Lung Society (MLS)	McMaster Lung Society (MLS) is a student-led organization focused on raising awareness and educating the McMaster community about lung health and respiratory diseases. The club engages in activities such as hosting educational seminars, organizing fundraising events for lung health research, and participating in community outreach initiatives. Their mission is to promote respiratory health, support patients with lung conditions, and foster a greater understanding of issues related to lung diseases, including asthma, COPD, and lung cancer. MLS aims to create a supportive network for those affected by respiratory conditions and to advocate for improved lung health awareness and research.
P	Pediatric Mental Health Initiative	Pediatric Mental Health Initiative is a student-led organization dedicated to addressing and improving mental health care for children and adolescents. The club

		<p>focuses on raising awareness about pediatric mental health issues, promoting mental well-being, and supporting initiatives that aid young individuals facing mental health challenges. They organize educational events, workshops, and fundraising activities to support mental health programs and resources for children. Their mission is to foster a supportive community around pediatric mental health, advocate for better mental health services for young people, and provide opportunities for students to engage in meaningful contributions to this important field.</p>
<p>R</p>	<p>RUYA McMaster</p>	<p>RUYA McMaster is a student organization dedicated to promoting cultural awareness and social justice through the exploration of South Asian and Middle Eastern cultures. The club focuses on creating a supportive and inclusive environment for students from diverse backgrounds while engaging in educational and cultural activities. RUYA McMaster organizes events such as cultural festivals, workshops, and discussions that highlight social issues and celebrate cultural heritage. Their mission is to foster intercultural dialogue, support cultural diversity on campus, and provide a platform for students to connect and engage with important social and cultural topics.</p>

Section 2: *New Club's Recommended for Ratification*

- 1) Hellenic Student Association at McMaster:

Date: Tuesday November 28th, 2023.

Dear McMaster Student Union Club Ratification Staff,

Please accept our application for the Hellenic Students Association at McMaster University (HSAMac) 2024-2025 school year.

The Hellenic Students Association at McMaster University serves to foster community and promote Greek culture within the university. The association will achieve these goals by hosting social events that promote education and exposure to Greek Culture. These events may include: Greek Language and dancing lessons, Greek Heritage Night, Walking as a club in the Greek Independence day Parade's, Speeches from Greek Orthodox Priests, and collaborative events with other Hellenic Students associations from other universities. In its infancy, the club's greatest goal is for these events to be welcoming, accessible and a positive experience for all members, though these are just the beginnings of the impact that we hope to deliver as an association.

Fostering community and making connections among Greek students are critical for the development of our club. The executive panel is committed to creating a space at McMaster University where this is possible for our members. The panel also strives to promote the depth of Greek heritage to students from various cultural backgrounds. Through thoughtfully planned activities, we aim to create lasting memories, form meaningful friendships, and a sense of belonging that transcends our time at McMaster.

Though the Hellenic Students Association begins here, our impact will be lasting and remembered for years to come. Our prospective club members and panel are dedicated individuals who are excited to join in community, to celebrate Greek heritage, and to pave the way for future students to find their place at McMaster University.

As founders of the club, we are confident that our leadership, integrity, responsibility, and interpersonal skills will create a welcoming environment for all McMaster community members. We welcome the opportunity to further discuss the club. Please contact us at lagoudis@mcmaster.ca , boumisj@mcmaster.ca , lappasc@mcmaster.ca , katsevp@mcmaster.ca , garzouzz@mcmaster.ca

2) McMaster Young Liberals

December 1, 2023
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to apply for official MSU club ratification for the McMaster Young Liberals.

This club would serve to exist as a voice promoting the values and priorities of Young Liberals and to create opportunities for McMaster students to get involved with the Liberal Party of Canada and the Ontario Liberal Party. This club would represent values that remain essential to Canadian Liberals. These include recognizing the dignity of all individuals and understanding the struggle faced by many different groups throughout the country.

This club would work to engage the McMaster community and help connect them with both the Liberal Party of Canada as well as the Ontario Liberal Party. The club would provide a forum for McMaster students to contribute their beliefs and opinions to influence the platform, policies, and overall direction of the party. The structure of the club would allow for any student interested to be able to get involved and affect change in both their community as well as in the country as a whole. This club is affiliated with both the Ontario Young Liberals and the Young Liberals of Canada. This affiliation with these organizations allows students to connect with members of the party as well as members of campus clubs all across the country, allowing us to better serve the MSU and McMaster community.

This club would greatly benefit the McMaster community and would allow interested students to get involved and connected with the political processes that underlie the Ontario Liberal Party and the Liberal Party of Canada.

Sincerely,

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