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The Education Students' Council Newsletter

Editor's Note

ESCargot is the monthly newsletter put out by your Education Students' Council (ESC). Find here helpful advice, information about upcoming events, and important bulletins. Check out theteachercandidate.com for our digital version, including advice for new teachers- from actual teachers!

Oh yeah, it's called ESCargot because of the ESC. Sorry, snail fans.

Things are heating up at Althouse...

You asked, and we listened. The ESC is proud to announce that new tables, electrical outlets, and microwaves have been added to the Althouse cafeteria for all to enjoy. Heat up something tasty today, and remember to clean up any spills!

Hello Teacher Candidates,

My name is Princess Marfil & I am the President of your Education Students' Council. Holding this position has been an honour and I have loved every second of it! I want to extend a big hello to all Year ones, and I have enjoyed getting to know you and meeting many of you in person. I also extend a big welcome back to Year twos! it's great to hear that practicum three went well! We are officially 10 weeks, two AFEs and one practicum away from becoming the teachers we all dream of becoming. The ESC has been listening to your concerns and we are working diligently to ensure that our time here is worthwhile, memorable and actionable. Last year, we listened to the feedback that we could do with more electrical outlets on campus, and responded by fully funding the addition of new tables and plugs in the cafeteria. And when the microwaves stopped working, we replaced the old with new! Our plans for the school year are to run fun Halloween events, Q & A sessions for Year ones, Sports Night, creating a Brand New award for graduating students, and so much more. We are always around to hear your concerns about how your experience can be enhanced. And while you're here, send me an email at westernu.esc@gmail.com.

Yours Truly,

Princess Marfil
President and CEO
Education Student's Council



Upcoming Events

Tuesday November 6:
Year 1-2 practicum chat
3:30-5:00
Community Room

Monday November 5:
Sports Night - Basketball
7:30-10:00
Althouse Gymnasium

Monday November 12:
Sports Night- Volleyball
7:30-10:00
Althouse Gymnasium

Meet your

2018-2019 Education Students' Council

L-R: Jane, Suna, Talveen, Miles, Paige, Kevin, Princess, Meghan, Phoenicia, Emily, Sam, Mark, Lauren, Colin



And... Our goals for the year!

<p>As Grad Formal Commissioner, my goal is to promote positive relationships between TC's by celebrating our successful two years at Teacher's College and launching us into our amazing careers.</p> <p>Paige Coombs, Grad Formal Commissioner</p>	<p>I aim to advocate for the voice of the student body. I want to improve the academic and social experience of students at Althouse by using specific feedback.</p> <p>Payal Patel, Vice President (Student Affairs)</p>	<p>I want to take great pictures of our fun events to showcase that Western's Faculty of Education is the best Faculty of Ed out there.</p> <p>Tony Yu, Social Media Commissioner</p>	<p>I want to allow those in the faculty to have a night to have fun and take a break. Participating in sports night is a great way to meet new friends and take a break!</p> <p>Carleigh Ewanski, Athletics Co-Director</p>	<p>My goal this year is to help Teacher Candidates get the best academic and professional development experience. I plan on helping organize meaningful PD, communicate important deadlines and training, and improve transparency and communication between the faculty and students.</p> <p>Talveen Singh, Vice President (Academic Affairs)</p>
<p>As ETFO TELC representative, I hope to keep teacher candidates in PD and stay up to date with ETFO happenings. I also hope to improve communication between teacher candidates and the Federation.</p> <p>Julia Smith, TELC ETFO Commissioner, Year 1</p>	<p>My goal is to be a supportive member of the Education Students' Council by completing administrative and organizational efforts to allow executives to focus on enhancing student experiences. I endeavour to foster a welcoming and professional environment that encourages all students to connect with council members.</p> <p>Kevin John, Administrative Director</p>	<p>I aim to provide positive mental health resources, support, and events to help teacher candidates maintain a happy and healthy mind throughout the BEEd program.</p> <p>Laura Dehens, Wellness Commissioner</p>	<p>As the social events coordinator, I want to create events where TCs can build friendships and have an opportunity to de-stress.</p> <p>Madeline Vieira-Troke, Social Events Coordinator</p>	<p>Along with my amazing team, my goal is to ensure effective communication with all of Althouse, and improve our methods of sharing information to make this year successful and fun.</p> <p>Phoenicia Kempel, Vice President (Communications)</p>
<p>My intention is to ensure that any money spent by the Education Student Council benefits all of the Teacher Candidates at Althouse.</p> <p>Miles Duke, Vice President (Financial Affairs)</p>	<p>I hope to provide meaningful training to future teachers to prepare and support them for a successful career. I hope to use this platform to improve communication and confidence in all teacher candidates.</p> <p>Colin Pierce, Professional Development Committee Chairperson</p>	<p>I want to collaborate with a great team to bring a variety of events to Althouse and foster a social environment.</p> <p>Meghan Drummond, Vice President (Social Events)</p>	<p>I want to create opportunities for interaction and reciprocal communication between Teacher Candidates and international students, to create a more welcoming, inclusive, and collaborative Althouse environment.</p> <p>Samantha Gomes, Global Community Commissioner</p>	
<p>I want to provide an opportunity for TC's to have fun, release some stress, and connect with other TC.</p> <p>Jacob Winkler, Athletics Co-Director</p>	<p>My goal is to plan and facilitate events that bring first and second year teacher candidates together, whether through a sport or activity, or simply just chatting about practicum and classroom experiences. We are here to help each other out!</p> <p>Emily Jenner, Second Year Representative</p>	<p>I aim to collaborate with a great team to bring diversity and inclusion services that are available on campus. I also want to create a safe space for teacher candidates to openly discuss their identities, experiences and/or social issues.</p> <p>Suna Shammograj, Diversity and Inclusion Commissioner</p>		

The ESC is excited to announce a complete logo rebrand.

Starting in the 2017-18 school year, the ESC began looking to move on from its old logo (an escape key... get it?).

After accepting a number of student submissions, the council held a vote and decided on a logo submitted by Jacob Lundgren. Jacob had this to say about his design:

"I asked myself, 'what's a symbol often associated with being a teacher?' ... it just so happens that the apple is great shape to work with, so I decided to roll with it."



The Education Students' Council would like to thank Jacob and all other entrants for their hard work.

MAKES YOU THINK

"I asked,
When is a time you have used
integrity?"

A student wrote down:

'I wash my hands after
going to the bathroom
even if no one is in there.'"

- adjer

Advice for...

Practicum I

"Be prepared and organized. One of the main things my AT was looking for was organization. I prepared by remembering to bring my practicum handbook and taking notes."

"Take lots of notes and show that you are observing and absorbing information about the class... during downtimes, ask lots of questions. Ask to observe other classrooms in your school."

"Put a lot of effort into lesson planning. This includes coming prepared with a physical copy of your plan!"

"Learn your students' names. **Seriously.**"

Advice for...

AFE I

"I went into my first AFE scared... But I took a step back and realized, this is a learning experience first and foremost... I'm not expected to be an expert on [anything]. That took a lot of weight off my shoulders. Instead of focusing on performing, I started focusing on my learning ... and the rest followed!"

"I'd say one of the most important part of the AFE is absorbing as much knowledge and information as you can... and making a strong impression. These are partly designed to help boost your portfolio when looking for a job... be a professional and remember to represent Western- and yourself- in the best possible light."

"The nice thing about AFE is you that you had the chance to set it up for yourself. Hopefully, your AFE aligns with something you are passionate about. Be present, helpful, and try to enjoy yourself! Take the skills you've learned to your AFE... and take the skills you learn there, to your classroom!"

We're looking for story tips, advice, & writers!
E-mail vpcommunications.esc@gmail.com

ADVICE

— from the —
Teacher's Lounge

Real advice from real teachers

"Make sure you love the job."

"Ask for help, everyone wants you to succeed."

"Don't be satisfied with 'Good Enough'."

"Get involved with anything you can, but maintain a work-life balance."

"Sometimes a child needs someone to be hard on them. Set high expectations."

"Use and expect manners."

"Your family doesn't want to hear every story about every student."

"Get to know the secretary and custodians—they can help you in a pinch!"

"Learn how to use the copier."

Just because a parent criticizes, doesn't make them right.

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