



# TMAPS

Toronto Metropolitan Association of Part-time Students

Local 105 of the Canadian Federation of Students



# EVENTS & OUTREACH

## Introduction - Vice-President of Events & Outreach

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## TMAPS Fall Orientation

TMAPS Fall Orientation 2025 successfully welcomed new and returning part-time students with a series of interactive, student-centred activities designed to build awareness, connection, and confidence as they begin the academic year. This year's orientation strategically focused on three core concepts: TMAPS services, Bill 33 education, and GenAI engagement, ensuring that students not only felt supported but also informed and empowered in navigating their university experience.

Students were introduced to the full spectrum of TMAPS services, including academic supports, health and wellness resources, legal aid, advocacy pathways, and community-building programs through engaging conversations and guided activities. The goal was to ensure every member left with a strong understanding of what TMAPS can offer throughout their part-time journey.

To further strengthen student awareness, TMAPS delivered a hands-on educational activity centred on Bill 33, breaking down the legislation into easy-to-understand scenarios that highlighted student rights and institutional responsibilities. This helped participants clearly see how current provincial policies may shape their post-secondary experience, and reinforced TMAPS' commitment to strong, student-driven advocacy.

In addition, this year introduced an innovative GenAI interactive game, designed to shine a light on the vague and often confusing language surrounding the use of AI in academic work at TMU. Many students shared that they were unsure about what is and is not allowed when using tools like Google Gemini, prompting TMAPS to create an activity that unpacked these grey areas in a fun, accessible format. Overall, TMAPS Fall Orientation not only built community and excitement but also set the tone for an informed, well-supported, and innovative academic year.



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## Events from This Reporting Period

### Bill 33 Events | Action Week | Hands- Off Campaign

Since the beginning of the Fall semester, our efforts at TMAPS have been focused on raising awareness about the proposed Ontario legislation, Bill 33. We participated in two events endorsed by the CFS Bill 33 campaign, “Hands-Off Campaign,” which educated students about Bill 33 and how to oppose it.

#### Bill 33 Bingo

Bill 33 Bingo was an interactive game designed to help students learn about the Supporting Children and Students Act (Bill 33) in a fun and engaging way. Each square highlighted key aspects of the bill and its impact on students' education, rights, and campus life. By playing, students not only gained awareness but also saw how these changes directly impact them. The game encouraged action by showing students how they can get involved, such as signing the petition, contacting their local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) for updates on CFS and TMAPS, and supporting the Hands Off campaign.



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### Paws 4 a Cause

The Paws for a Cause event was in partnership with PawPals Puppy Yoga and endorsed by the Canadian Federation of Students' Hands-Off campaign. Paws for a Cause was part of our broader advocacy efforts to bring awareness about Bill 33. While students waited for their turn with the therapy dogs, they had the chance to learn more about Bill 33 and participate in phone zaps to their MPP. The event combined mental health support with civic engagement, creating an approachable space for students to get involved. Many students expressed that the mix of relaxation and advocacy made the information more accessible. Overall, the initiative successfully raised awareness while fostering community engagement on campus.

### Halloween Family Movie Night

On November 5, 2025, TMAPS hosted a Family Movie Night as part of our ongoing commitment to supporting student well-being and community building. Students were invited to join us for a family-friendly film and a buffet-style dinner. This event created an accessible space for student parents to pick up their children after school and enjoy a meal together on campus, while also offering an opportunity for other students to decompress after exams or intensive study sessions. The evening was well-received and reinforced the value of providing inclusive, low-barrier programming for our membership.



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## Black All-Year Long Series

### **Unchained Voices - An Emancipation Day Celebration & Open Mic Night**

This was a reflective and creative virtual gathering on August 1, 2025, that honoured the history and significance of Emancipation Day (July 29, 2025). The event opened with a welcome, land acknowledgment, and intention setting, followed by a collective “Freedom Words” activity that invited participants to define what “freedom” means to them. A featured performer shared a song while singing and playing the piano. The night continued with a raffle and an open mic segment, offering space for community members to share poems, stories, and affirmations. The event closed with a collective vow, a final reflective prompt, and an invitation to carry forward a personal word of liberation.



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## Outreach

As part of our outreach strategy, we joined student-led organizations Mutual Market & Mask Bloc TMU during their tabling event at the Student Learning Centre. Mutual Market is a student-run fair offering affordable produce (without the mark-up!). They also host student vendors, artists and musicians. Mask Bloc TMU is an autonomous disability justice collective organizing for a COVID-safer campus. They aim to increase access to masks and COVID tests through free distribution, while advocating for clean air in classrooms and other campus spaces.

Mutual Market: [www.instagram.com/mutual.market/](http://www.instagram.com/mutual.market/)

Mask Bloc TMU: <https://linktr.ee/maskbloctmu>

## Upcoming Programming

TMAPS Family Movie Marathon: Holiday Edition

Date: Wed Dec 10, 12-6 PM:

Location: In Person: Oakham Lounge, 2nd Floor, 63 Gould St.

Description: Join us for a delicious catered lunch, freshly popped popcorn, and warm beverages as we enjoy family-friendly holiday movies & shows! Bring your kids, relatives & chosen family!

Registration required



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## Class Representative

Class Representatives are students volunteering to represent their course at TMAPS General Meetings. If your course doesn't have a TMAPS Class Rep, volunteer today!

To become a Class Rep or for more information, email [events@tmaps.ca](mailto:events@tmaps.ca)

Time Commitment: 10 minutes per week and one meeting per semester (with a free catered dinner).

As a Class Rep, you commit to:

- Attend the TMAPS General Meeting or find an alternate to replace you.
- Keep your course up to date on relevant TMAPS campaigns, events, services and opportunities.

Please inform TMAPS about any issues, concerns, or suggestions you or your course members may have.

As a Class Rep, you will benefit from:

- Connections with other class representatives
- An opportunity to earn a skills certificate
- Support from TMAPS executive members and staff
- A great addition to your resume



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## Volunteer Reward and Recognition Program

Volunteers are an essential part of TMAPS. Our events could not be executed without your time and support. We believe it is important to show appreciation towards our volunteers in any way we can. That's why we have revamped our Volunteer Rewards and Recognition Program!

By joining the TMAPS Volunteer Program you will get recognition and rewards, updates on new volunteer opportunities and events, and the opportunity to make connections, create a community, and gain various event planning, teamwork, and leadership experience!

Volunteer roles include: set up and tear down, photography, outreach tabling, social media support, posterizing and more! You can even earn volunteer hours simply by attending certain TMAPS events and our Events Committee meetings. Sign up today! <https://tmaps.ca/volunteer/>

For more info, view our Volunteer Package: <https://tmaps.ca/volunteer/tmaps-volunteer-reward-and-recognition-program/>





# COMMITTEES

TMAPS has four open Committees that are currently active. All TMAPS members are able to attend these meetings. Each committee has an active e-newsletter and meets at least a semester, if not monthly. TMAPS also continues to run our internal committees for Joint Health & Safety, Finances and Bursary.

## **By-laws & Policy Committee**

The Bylaws and Policy Committee is responsible for overseeing and recommending TMAPS bylaws and policies to the TMAPS Board of Directors. The Bylaws and Policy Committee is a great place to get involved if you are interested in not-for-profit structures, operational or issues-based policy work or if you are just interested in getting involved in TMAPS's internal structure.

## **Campaigns & Equity Committee**

The Campaigns & Equity Committee is an open committee for TMAPS members to discuss campaigns and issues that range from issues in post-secondary education to climate justice to social justice and equity issues. This is a great committee to get involved in TMAPS's outreach initiatives and political programming.

## **Events Committee**

The Events Committee is an open committee for TMAPS members to discuss events and programming that range from Orientation to career development workshops to speaker series. This is a great committee to get meet other students who are looking for social interactions and community building opportunities.





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## Black All Year Long! Committee

TMAPS is seeking Black/African/Caribbean members for our Black All Year Long! Committee. The name is pretty self-explanatory: we're pushing the boundaries and making it clear, we celebrate being Black all year round.

Through various events catered to your wants and needs, we hope to emphasize that there is no time limit to celebrating our identities.





# STAFF APPRECIATION

The incredible work of the TMAPS staff team is the foundation of our engaging events, reliable services, and seamless daily operations.

A heartfelt thank you to Malik Asoh Ajesam, Amir Moazzami, Lyndall Musselman, Rojhin Taebi, and Chloë Thibault for bringing your amazing ideas, expertise, and genuine care to everything you do at TMAPS. Your contributions make a lasting difference for our members.

Special thanks to Bill Reid, our in-house lawyer, for your unwavering dedication to providing expert legal guidance to students.

A very special thank you to Priya Paul, our bookkeeper, for ensuring the smooth financial operations of TMAPS through your meticulous work and commitment. Your efforts behind the scenes are integral to our success.

We also extend our gratitude to our part-time staff, Steph Rychlo, whose enthusiasm and creativity continue to enrich our space. and Saron, our placement student supporting our services and academic advocacy portfolio.

Finally, thank you to Yasir Hameed for fostering a collaborative and inclusive work environment where every team member's unique insights have a meaningful impact.

To the entire team: thank you for making TMAPS a place where students can thrive. Your dedication ensures that we continue to provide exceptional support to our community.



# EXECUTIVE REPORTS

## **Vice-President Events & Outreach, Miya Williams**

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### **Portfolio Updates:**

- Led orientation tabling and gamified concepts surrounding Generative AI being used at TMU and Bill 33 to engage with students
- Collaborated with Equity and Campaigns and led Bill 33 Events during Action Week, including Hands-Off Campaign-endorsed events such as Bill 33 Bingo and Paws for a Cause.
- Organized student-focused community events, including the Halloween Family Movie Night
- Attended PSE Town Hall Coalition Meeting
- Exam Care Packages
- Coordinated sponsorship with Community Care TMU
- Member of the Elections Procedure Committee.
- Led outreach and tabling initiatives to engage students and raise awareness of TMAPS campaigns and services.
- Attended and participated in weekly Executive Committee meetings



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### **Ongoing Projects:**

- Planning the Holiday Movie Night on December 10, 2025, as a community engagement initiative.
- Leading the TMAPS Mental Health Series, delivering workshops and events to support the physical and mental well-being of part-time students.
- Coordinating Winter Orientation and a Virtual Networking Event to facilitate student engagement and connection.
- Planning a Volunteer Appreciation Event to recognize contributions from TMAPS members and volunteers.
- Hosting events in late January and throughout April to foster community among part-time and continuing education students.
- Organizing a series of Black History Month events to celebrate and amplify Black student voices.
- Advocating for the experiences of part-time and continuing education students and seeking opportunities to represent their interests.
- Collaborating with local businesses and campus departments to enhance engagement and support for TMAPS members