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USC 101



Vision Statement

Students Have the Power to Change The World

Mission Statement

**To Enhance The Educational Experience and Quality of Life
for all Undergraduates at Western University.**

Values

**We Are DEMOCRATIC, INCLUSIVE, STUDENT LED,
ACCOUNTABLE and OPERATE WITH INTEGRITY**

OUR IMPACT ON WESTERN'S STUDENT COMMUNITY



**STUDENT
ADVOCACY**



**STUDENT
SUPPORT**



**STUDENT
DEVELOPMENT**

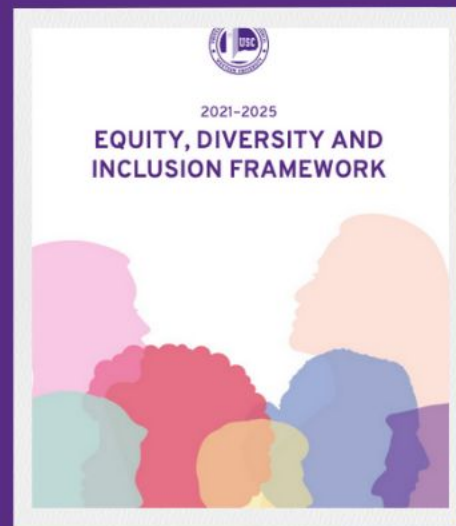
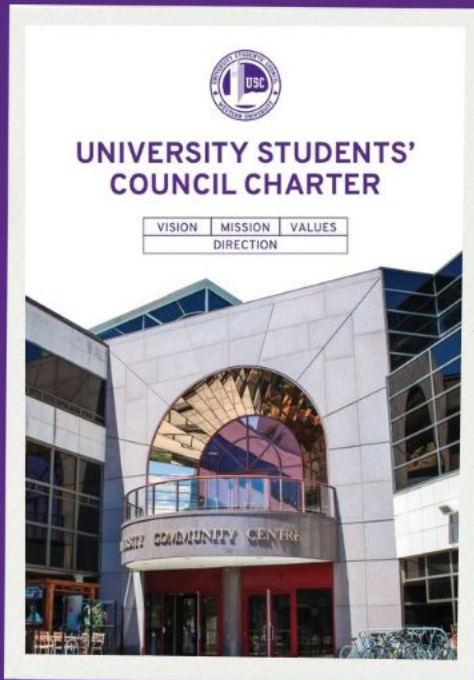


**STUDENT
ENGAGEMENT**



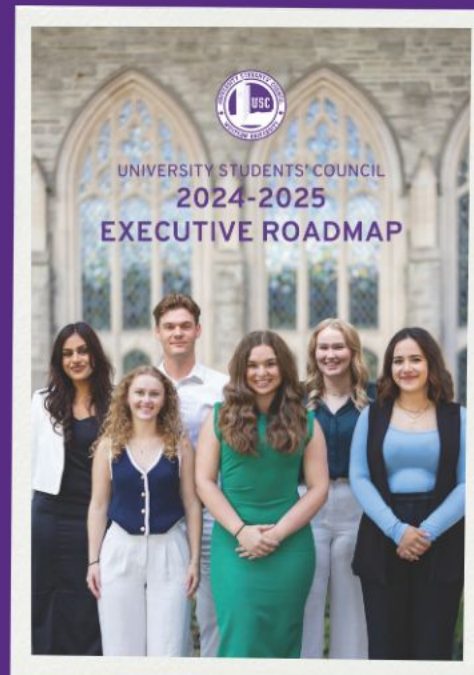
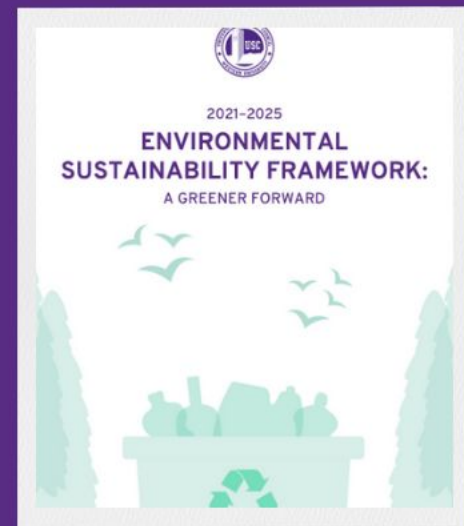
**STUDENT
LIFE**

USC Strategic Direction



The USC Charter serves as the guiding document of the USC's strategic planning process. The Charter is accompanied by three other sections: USC Frameworks (Sustainability and EDI), Policy Paper Library and USC Roadmap.

These documents will enable the USC to maintain continuity without impeding flexibility.



These documents remind us that the USC exists to create a campus community where every student feels supported and empowered to change the world.

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Students' union

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"Student Body" redirects here. For the 1994 film, see [Getting In](#).

A **students' union**, also known by many other names,^[note 1] is a **student organization** present in many **colleges**, **universities**, and **high schools**. In **higher education**, the students' union is often accorded its own building on the **campus**, dedicated to **social**, organizational activities, representation, and academic support of the membership.

In the United States, *student union* often only refers to a physical building owned by the university with the purpose of providing services for students without a governing body. This building is also referred to as a **student activity center**, although the Association of College Unions International (largely US-based) has hundreds of campus organizational members. Outside the US, *student union* and *students' union* more often refer to a representative body, as distinct from a *student activity centre* building.

WHY?

Toronto

Ryerson Students' Union files police report over \$250K credit card bill controversy



A months-long forensic audit was recently completed by PricewaterhouseCoopers

CBC News · Posted: Jan 21, 2020 2:11 PM ET | Last Updated: January 21, 2020



Police are set to investigate alleged misspending by the former heads of Ryerson University's students' union. (Michael Wilson/CBC)

11 comments

The Ryerson Students' Union (RSU) has asked Toronto police to investigate alleged financial mismanagement by former union heads.

Toronto

Ryerson University terminates agreement with student union



University says it has lost confidence in the RSU's ability to represent students

Adam Carter · CBC News · Posted: Jan 24, 2020 2:43 PM ET | Last Updated: January 25, 2020



Ottawa

U of O cuts ties to student union over fraud allegations



SFUO members have been accused of misappropriating student funds

CBC News · Posted: Sep 25, 2018 2:31 PM ET | Last Updated: September 27, 2018



The University of Ottawa has announced it will no longer recognize its student union, one month after allegations emerged that some union members had misappropriated student funds. (Patrick Doyle/The Canadian Press)

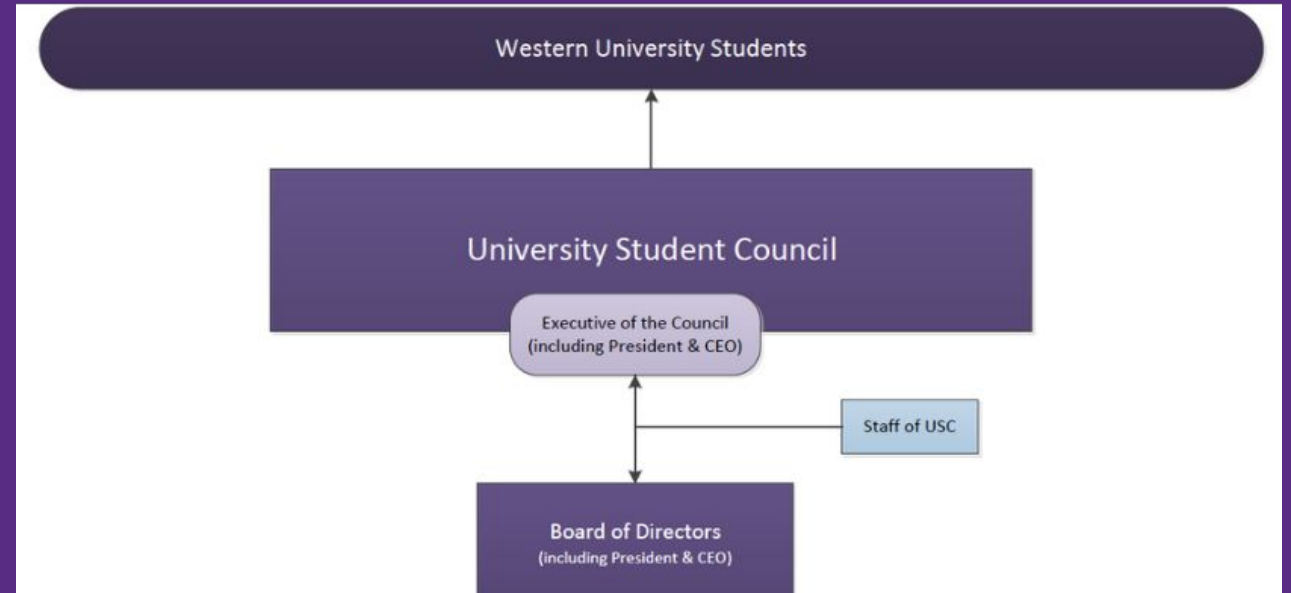
The University of Ottawa says it will no longer recognize its student federation as the official voice for students following allegations its members misappropriated funds.

USC Governing Bodies

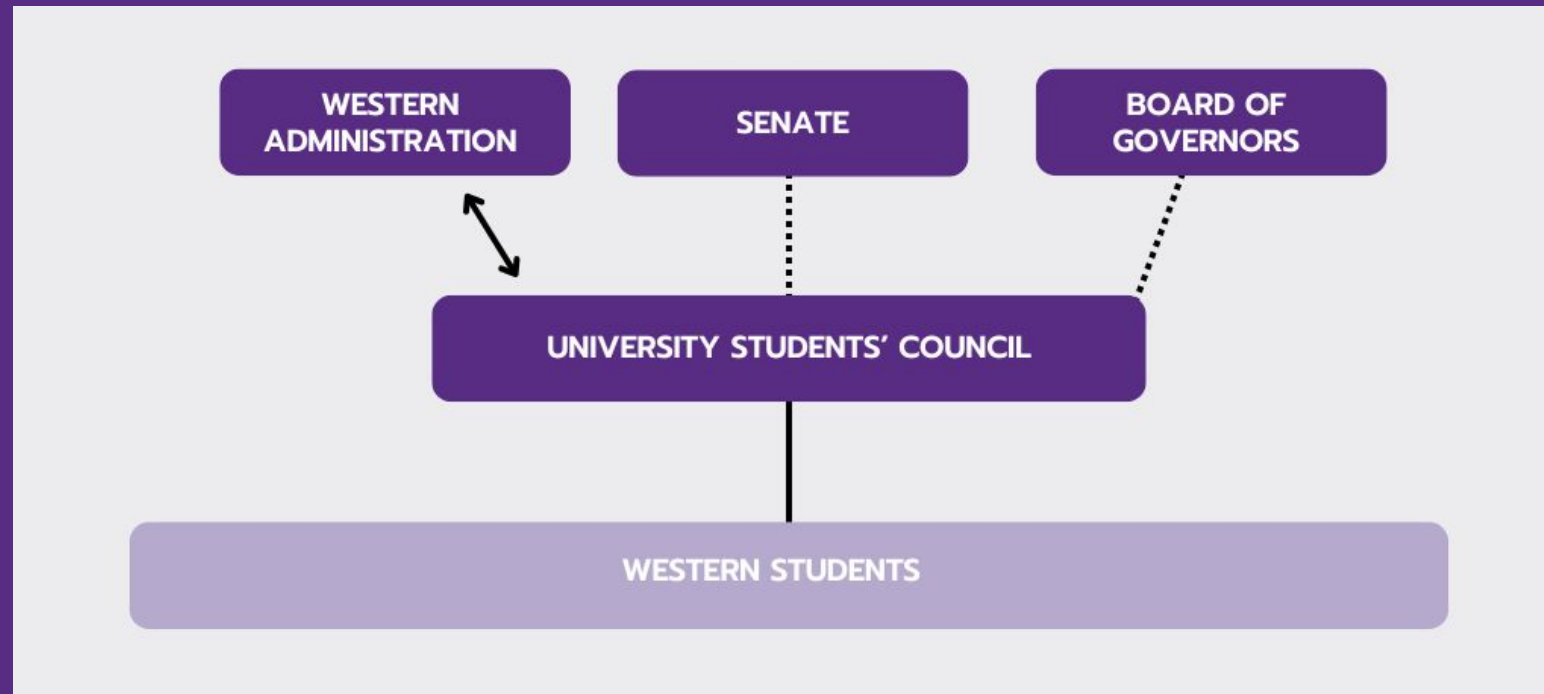
The **USC Executive** run student events, support services, and advocacy for the students of Western University with their portfolios of hired and volunteer student staff.

The **Board of Directors** govern the corporate side of the organization, with the COO as their sole employee.

The **Council** is similar to Members of Parliament at the federal level, Councillors are the USC's legislative body. Council is separate from the Student Executive but an equal partner in how the USC is run. It is made up by elected student representatives.

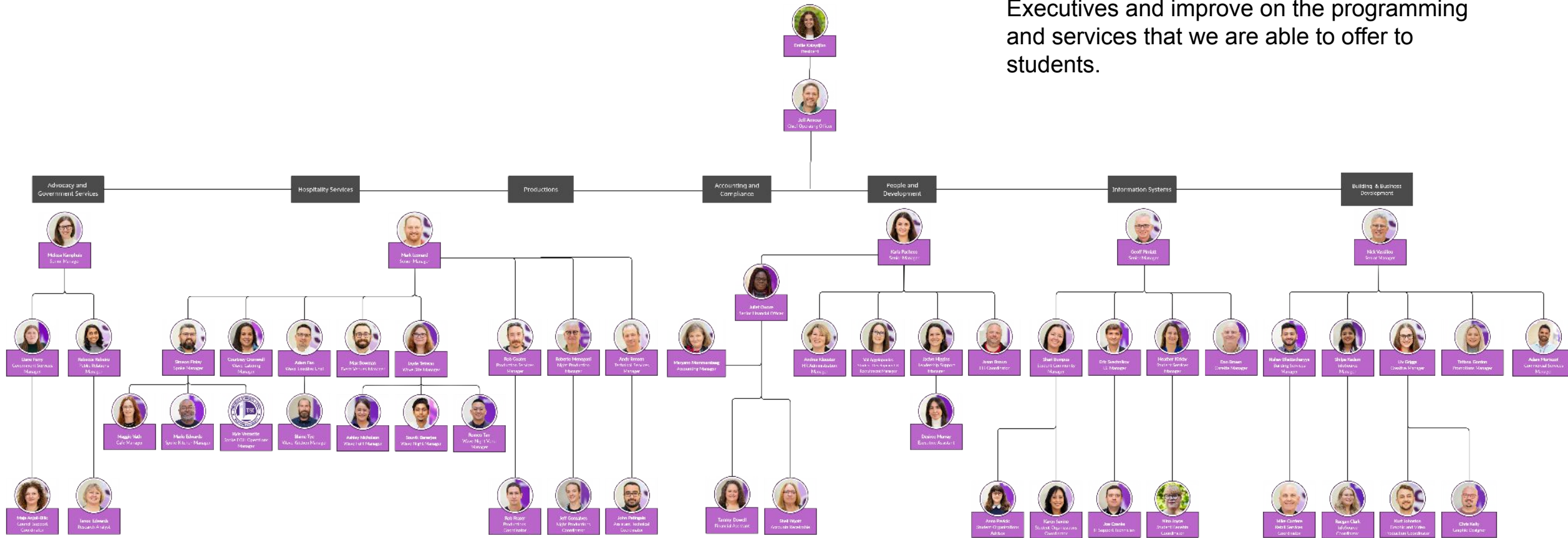


University Ecosystem



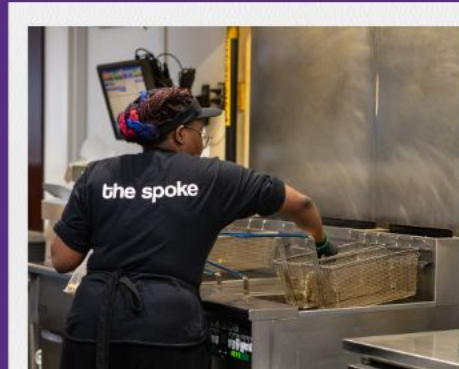
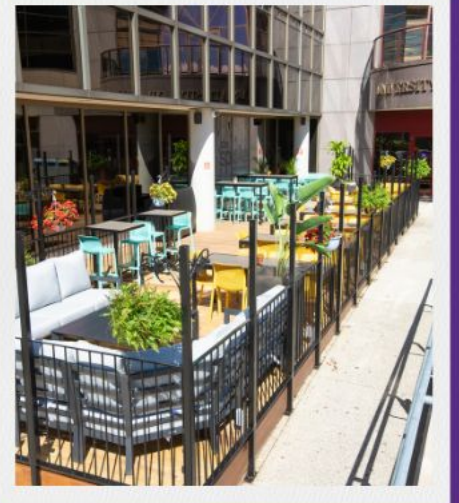
USC Organization Chart

The USC has 58 full-time staff members - many of whom have been hired in the last few years. We are investing in our staff to support the Executives and improve on the programming and services that we are able to offer to students.



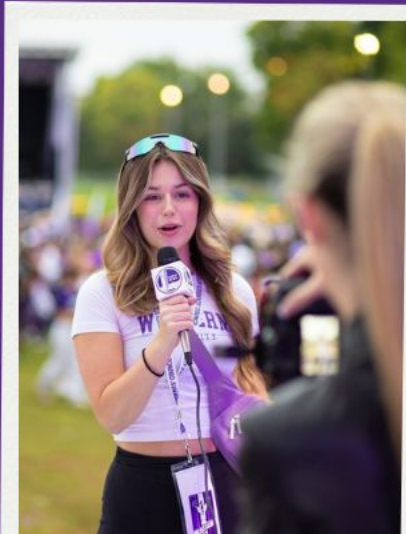
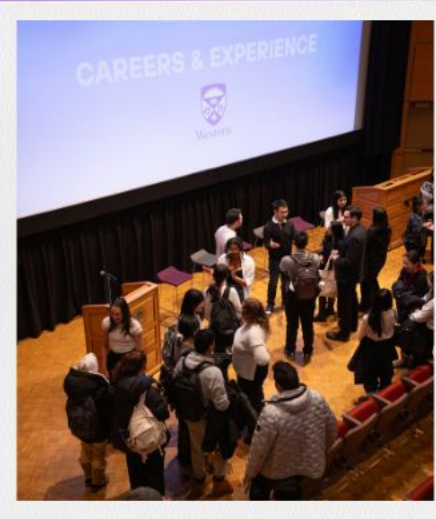
USC Operations

- Info Source
- The Spoke
- The Wave
- The Purple Store / Purple Ink



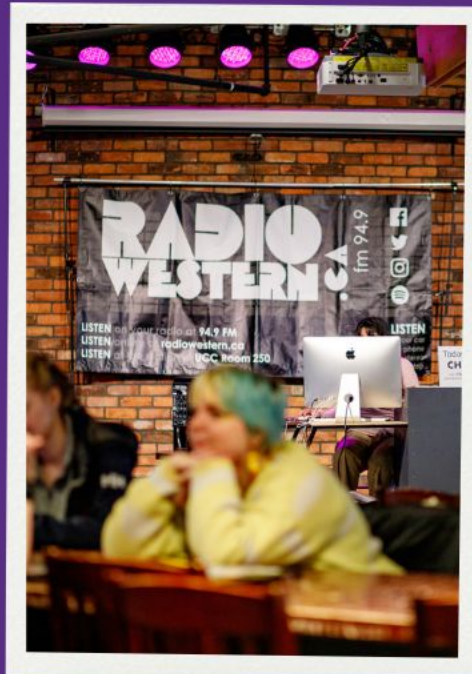
USC Services

- Advocacy & Government Services
- Information Systems
- People & Development
- Food & Beverage
- Events & Productions
- Building Services
- USC Communications



“Autonomous” Bodies of the USC

- PurpleCARE Trust
- The Gazette
- Elections
- Radio Western
- Clubs Governance Board
- Appeals Board





USC Programs & Services

- Clubs System
- OWeek
- Peer Support
- Food Bank
- Mustang on Demand
- Late Night Breakfast
- PurpleFest/Frost
- Health Plan/Bus Pass



Questions?

