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Indigenous Student's Working Group	Category Standing Resolution
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WHEREAS the University of Manitoba campuses are located on Treaty 1 Territory, original lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples; and the Homeland of the Metis Nation
 WHEREAS the University of Manitoba is home to the National Centre for Truth & Reconciliation
 WHEREAS the voices of Indigenous Students are drastically underrepresented throughout the general channels of student leadership, despite being integral to each and every conversation
 WHEREAS more grassroots work needs to be done to educate the wider community about Indigenous practices and actively decolonize the institution from the bottom up
 BE IT RESOLVED that the Indigenous Students' Working Group (ISWG) be struck from the Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 academic terms with the Terms of Reference (TOR) as attached.

Purpose: The purpose of this working group will be to serve as a platform for Indigenous student leaders and UMSU as an organization to prioritize reconciliation and decolonization. This effect is anticipated to take shape in the form of consultation and collaboration.

Composition:

- UMSU Indigenous Students' Representative, Chair, non-voting
- UMSU President, Vice-Chair, non-voting
- UMSU Vice President Advocacy, non-voting
- UMSU Vice President Finance & Operations, non-voting
- UMSU Vice President Community Engagement, non-voting
- UMSU Vice President Student Life, non-voting
- One (1) Executive Representative from each Indigenous UMSU-recognized club or student group, voting
- Three (3) Indigenous student representatives at large, voting (The selection process for the Indigenous student representatives at large will be determined at the first meeting of the working group)
- All Indigenous students who would like to participate

Responsibilities:

- Identify concerns and a course of action to improve the Indigenous student experience
- Brainstorm new creative ways to engage students in Indigenous initiatives
- Compile a set of recommendations for the Students' Union and the University as a whole
- Streamline the planning of Indigenous Students' Month and collaboration with University offices
- Report on activities to the UMSU Board of Directors

Meeting Regularity:

- Minimum once a month throughout the 2023-24 academic year
- Meetings may be called irregularly, should urgent matters arise

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