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## **Question regarding the Renewal and Reduction of the Arts Computer Lab Fee**

*Whereas* the Arts Computer Lab Fee (ARCL), currently set at \$9.80 for full time students and \$4.90 for part-time student per semester and opt-outable, collects funding for the improvement of Arts computer systems through the Arts Computer Lab Fund (ACLF);

*Whereas* members of the society benefit immensely from the use of computer labs in the Arts Lounge, Ferrier Building, Leacock Building, and elsewhere, as well as programs funded from the ACLF such as the AUS Laptop Lending Program, technology skills workshops, and more;

*Whereas* since its creation in 2010 the ARCL has been at its current rate of \$9.80 for full time students per semester. However, since 2010 usage of Arts computer systems has decreased, many students have opted-out of ARCL each semester, and much of the ACLF has gone unused;

*Whereas* capital funding is essential for the maintenance and overall success of the activities of the society;

*Whereas* the existence of the ACLF must be put to referendum every three (3) years as prescribed in the AUS Constitution;

*Whereas* full time students are defined as those taking 9 credits or more per semester and part-time students are defined as those taking fewer than 9 credits per semester;

**Do you agree to renew the opt-outable fee levy at a reduced amount of  $\$(X)$  per student per semester for full time students, and  $\$(X/2)$  per part-time student per semester, with BA&Sc students paying half the full time or part time rate, for the Arts Computer Lab Fund (ACLF)?**

\*\*\*NB: new ARCL fee amount X is still to be determined, based on a vote of AUS Council at its meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to approve this referendum question. The future ARCL fee amount will be based on an analysis of past ACLF expenditures as well as estimated anticipated future expenditures (eg. on Laptop Lending Program and Arts Labs Computers replacements ).\*\*\*

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