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**OISE Library Student Advisory Committee**  
**Annual Report 2020-2021**



**July 2021**

# OISE Library Student Advisory Committee (OLSAC)

## Annual Report 2020-2021

### List of members

#### **Committee members**

##### **Co-chairs (elected in 2020):**

Lifei Qian, APHD  
Qiongli Zhu, CTL

##### **Secretaries:**

Mira Chow, CTL  
Laura Facciolo, CTL

##### **Members:**

Erika Colby, CTL  
Cherie A. Daniel, SJE  
Alison D'Cruz, LHAE  
Matthew Humphries, CTL  
Milan Lazic, APHD  
Joanne Lieu, LHAE  
Justin Patrick, LHAE  
Huda Salha, LHAE  
Magdalene Stavrou, CTL  
Tika Ram Thapa, SJE  
Julia Woznowski, CREFO

##### **OISE Library Staff:**

Monique Flaccavento, Director, OISE Library ([monique.flaccavento@utoronto.ca](mailto:monique.flaccavento@utoronto.ca))  
Desmond Wong, Outreach Librarian ([de.wong@utoronto.ca](mailto:de.wong@utoronto.ca))  
Sasha Dhesi, iSchool, MI program  
Annie McCarron, iSchool, MI program

##### **Five meetings for the 2020-2021**

Wed. Oct. 28th, 2020, 5-6:30 pm  
Fri. Nov. 27th, 2020, 5-6:30 pm  
Wed. Feb. 10th, 2021, 5-6:30 pm  
Wed. Mar. 17th, 2021, 5-6:30 pm  
Wed. April 21st, 2020, 5-6:30 pm

## **Achieved Tasks**

### **Library resources, services, and supports**

- Had discussion and suggestion on MT and Black history resource lists.
- Provided suggestions and discussions on ways of marketing library resources and services to OISE students and communities
- Circulated the information about Holiday Reads 2020 edition
- Had a feedback discussion with Emily on library instructional workshops
- Discussed issues related to the Indigenous Book Club and possible ways of creating a new one led by next year's Committee

### **OISE Library Website**

- Provided suggestions for improvements to the updated OISE Library website. Based on OLSAC suggestions, the Library made the following changes:
  - Fixed formatting issues so that content boxes on the site resized properly on laptops
  - Enabled a feature to allow people to close the "COVID services" banner at the top of the page
  - Fixed text so that was not left-justified
  - Updated broken links on the [OLSAC page](#)

### **Outreach activities**

- Based on a suggestion from OLSAC members, the Director of the OISE Library participated in an outreach/library orientation meeting with OISE International Student Association members.

### **Social media**

- Continued the conversations about methods of outreach and communication through social media.
- Voted for the removal of the OLSAC Facebook Page as it was no longer being maintained

### **Membership**

- Discussed revisions to the OLSAC Terms of Reference and Membership and finalized the updated terms of reference and committee membership

## **Recommendations**

- Continue to strengthen communication with different departmental associations, such as CTLSA, CIDECSA, etc.
- Consider organizing an OISE Book Club facilitated or led by the Committee
  - Continue touching base with Desmond Wong (OISE Librarian), who is planning to facilitate book clubs
- Continue the outreach online even when in-person activities resume after the pandemic
- Consider having social and online gathering through book clubs and other social activities
- Connect and collaborate with Robarts' student advisory committee to generate ideas and host open discussions
- Create a library poster for faculty member to include in their course pages in hope of marketing library resources and services to students as many as possible
  - Provide a template including key library resources for faculty members to include in course outlines
- Continue to improve the effective and productive communication between the library and student population (email, social media, etc)