

Governing Procedure 7005 – The Indigeneity - Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Fund

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1 - PREAMBLE

In accordance with Section 2 of Governing Procedure 7000, this Governing Procedure (hereinafter "GP") shall provide terms of reference for the Indigeneity – Equity, Diversity, and Inclusions Fund (hereinafter "I-EDI Fund").

2 – DEFINITION OF THE I-EDI FUND

- **2.1 Purpose of the Fund:** The I-EDI Fund shall provide funding to initiatives that promote these values in the Mount Allison Community and the Tantramar area.
- **2.2 Administration of the Fund:** The I-EDI shall be administered by the I-EDI Committee (hereinafter "Committee"), chaired by the Vice President, Student Life (hereinafter "VPSL").
- **2.3 Eligibility for the Fund:** At the discretion of the I-EDI committee, as they see fit, and as follows the criteria for funding allocation as outlined in section 2.5. Any viable project that would occur in the Mount Allison community or the Tantramar area and be made possible partially or completely by funding from the I-EDI Fund shall be eligible for consideration.
- **2.4 Allocation Frequency & Deadlines:** The I-EDI Fund shall be awarded once per fiscal year on a schedule defined by the Committee. This fund will not operate on an application basis unless needed.
- **2.5 Criteria for Funding Allocation:** The following criteria shall guide the committee in allocating the I-EDI Fund:
 - 2.5.1 The committee shall not provide funding to:

- a) Any project that directly or indirectly supports a political campaign or the candidacy of any individual for any public office;
- b) Any project that duplicates an existing project being conducted by Mount Allison University or the MASU, unless a demonstrable advantage is present in the proposed project; and
- c) Honorarium or remuneration for a position or individuals.
- 2.5.2 The committee shall prioritize, in no particular order, the allocation of funds that:
 - a) Provide a detailed action plan and budget, describe a practical and achievable objective, and display financial responsibility;
 - b) Are inclusive to all Union members and/or aimed at furthering I-EDI on campus or in the community;
 - c) Occur locally, either within Tantramar or on campus.
- **2.6 Distribution of Award:** Upon approval by the S.A.C., the VPSL shall work with the General Manager and Vice President, Finance and Governance to distribute the funds to the selected project(s).

3 — REGULATIONS UNIQUE TO THE I-EDI Fund

- **3.1 Communication with Candidates**: The VPSL shall be responsible for all communication with applicants for the duration of the Call for Proposals, including answering any questions about the criteria, if applicable.
- **3.2 Promotion of I-EDI Fund Recipients:** The MASU shall announce and promote the selected project(s) through relevant forms of media, which may include providing progress updates on the project(s), if applicable.
- **3.3 Reporting Requirement for I-EDI Fund Recipients:** Within six (6) months after the approval of the awards by the S A.C., all recipients shall present the action plan for their project to the S.A.C. An invitation to present shall be extended by the VPSL and the presentation shall be scheduled by the VPSL in collaboration with the Chairperson of the S.A.C.