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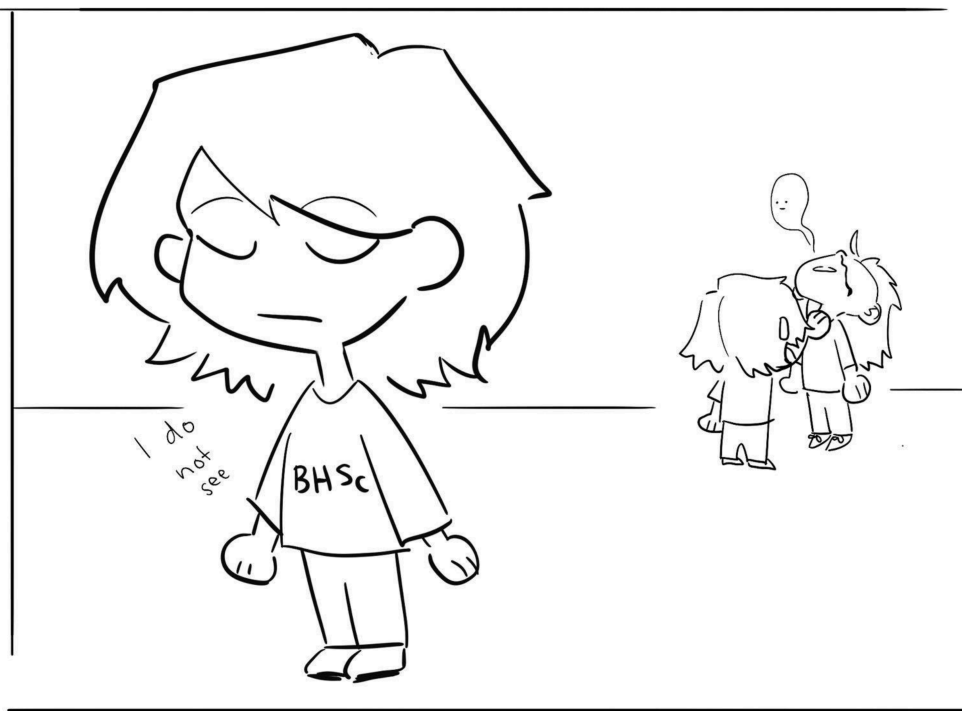
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It's December and it's +15°C out! Take that, climate change denialists!



# THE PUSH FOR EQUALITY

## ADVOCATING FOR GENDER EQUALITY

Recently, it has been exposed that first-year BHSc (HONOURS) students have not been following the gender equality expectations of the program. The program prides itself on teaching both male and female students the importance of girl bosses AND alpha males, yet the class of 2025 has not demonstrated those sentiments. The sexism present in first years came to light when their bullying of classmates was not gender inclusive.

On the official website, it says "The BHSc (Honours) Program is committed to providing students with an outstanding undergraduate learning experience where you will develop foundational knowledge across multiple strands of bullying (physical, verbal, and cyber!), along with skills for meme-ing your fellow classmates, insults, and ostracism." Program leads have come out and said that their mission statement makes it clear

that the expectations of tormentating classmates should include both male and female students.

The ideal student to be bullied is one that always asks questions at the end of class, uses an iPad to take fancy notes, and most importantly someone who cares about their education. The first years have been following the upper years in the way they target their victims. The upper years have even gone on to praise their juniors for the new techniques they have implemented. This can be credited towards the discussions in Inquiry. Classes are now exploring what makes a good victim, how to effectively bully someone, and why bullying is important for character development.

One TA from Jail Bio said "the students have done a phenomenal job of applying these expectations! The rate at which one student is being meme'd is record-

breakingly faster than any year before! For every question asked, there will be three memes. Additionally, the new strategy students use to attack the individual is very effective. The disregard for the student's wellbeing and mental state proves to be successful! However, as a feminist myself I believe the bullying should be intersectional and expand towards men."

Upon discovering this insight, the program leads have revealed that the Praxis thread 69 will be Misanthropy: How To Hate Everyone. Sandra Triscuits has started to compile playlists to motivate students to continue hating but through a feminist perspective. The BHSc team hopes that first years will recognize the issue in their actions and move towards tormenting males.

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Anatomy Actually Got Easier This Year

## A Journal Entry from a Level II BHSc Student

**Transcribed Original:**

4 ноября 2021 г.

Объяснять

Мы изо всех сил старались найти  
русское издание  
Коммунистического манифеста.  
Но увы, мы этого не сделали, возможно, из-  
за  
наша собственная некомпетентность.  
Так что да.  
Интересно, читает ли кто это,  
уже умея читать по русски,  
Вы могли бы критиковать, насколько плох  
этот перевод  
потому что ну гугл переводчик.  
Это не так хорошо.

Вау, пора заполнять пространство.  
Радуйтесь!  
По какой-то причине  
Я действительно думаю, что некоторые  
люди в команде  
Коммунисты.  
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**English Translation:**

November 4th, 2021:

The day CNS ended

I don't think I will ever be able to forget  
that day,  
The liberation I felt;  
the liberation we felt.  
After months of torture, stress, and  
bloodshot eyes;  
after hours of forcing myself to stay  
awake;  
I was finally free.  
We were finally free.  
The pain was over,  
her tyranny had ended and the calamity  
that had befallen us had been lifted.  
Flowers started to bloom and the birds  
began to sing.  
I saw the light again.

Oh, fellow comrades,  
Rejoice!  
For our prayers have been answered,  
I know the path ahead is dark but do not  
fear,  
for our savior, the teacher of MSK is here.  
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Apparently There Are Missionaries on Campus but I Don't Go Outside so I Wouldn't Know

## Missionaries Appalled at Unprecedented Decline in Conversions at McMaster University

*Students mistakenly believe that religion is a deeply personal set of beliefs that take a great deal of time to change.* According to missionaries, epiphanies can actually be reached in shorter, faster, and more efficient ways through pamphlets telling you to love your dad. Missionaries have made these pamphlets widely available outside coffee shops, floating down from the skies, somehow in your bag and in a large array of McMaster recycling bins.

According to Kingdom Coming Statistics, 48% of conversions should happen on university campuses or in front of coffee shops. However, this year has seen a worrisome decline in the amount of conversions on campus. McMaster is considering removing its emergency baptism infrastructure, meaning only the kitchen staff would have access to the kitchen dish-washing basins. Missionary D Zenuts commented: "restricting access

to only the kitchen staff would go against religious freedoms." Researchers studying this strange occurrence have theorized that students find approaching people minding their own business with a personal agenda to be "intrusive" or "irritating." Unfortunately, it seems the students prioritize going from point A to B over committing themselves to the servitude of God. Contrary to this theory, studies find that knowing at least one person loves you increases your quality of life by 10%. Therefore, researchers concluded that students' quality of life increases when they learn that at least Jesus loves them, even if they are completely unlovable to everyone else. Research is ongoing to bring up the conversion rate. Offering wafers and bottles of wine, threatening arson for early damnation and begging atheists to convert "just in case" are being considered as possible solutions.

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Sorry Bryce Vine...

## Malaise at Mac: Deadly Crowd Surge Occurs at a McMaster Music Festival

*Late in the evening on November 7th, tragedy struck as dozens of McMaster students were injured following a crowd surge during the Macstroworld music festival.* Over a dozen students are left in critical condition following the chaos, witnesses say.

The festival, an annual event facilitated by the MSU, sees McMaster's talented assembly of professors perform covers of today's most popular songs. This year's event was met with overwhelming excitement as it was rumoured that the professors would perform music from the unoriginally-named Astroworld by Travis Scott.

In an ill-fated turn of events, the crowd grew uncontrollably congested and the concert turned hostile. The crowd surged forward at an overpowering rate upon hearing that P.K. Rangachari, presenting under the stage name Playboi Chari, would perform. "Once Chari came on stage, all hell broke loose," concert-goer and resident nerd Pat Myaz recalled. "All of what seemed to be 25,000 people ran to the front, compressing everyone together with little air available, not unlike an ideal gas under Boyle's Law." While little is understood of the motives behind the hostility, it was speculated that Health Sciences students rushed to the front as part of their natural instincts to ask any professor in sight for lab positions. Amidst the tumult, several students were hurt, and a dozen others required medical attention.

In an apology issued the day following the event, Chari commiserated, "It is not my fault that concert audiences follow fluid dynamics principles. Morally speaking, 12 injuries in 25,000 students is not so bad! But this issue seems to displease you all, so it appears that my inaction in stopping the event was a sin of assumption on my part. As Hamlet said, 'after all, who would put up with all life's humiliations—the abuse from superiors, the insults of arrogant men... be all my sins remembered.'"

The Macstroworld fiasco is now recognized as the second most tragic event organized by the MSU behind Bryce Vine's Welcome Week performance in 2019.

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## What to Expect as Inquiry Shifts Towards Dictatorship

*After receiving a flood of complaints from first year students about inefficient decision-making in inquiry, BHSc facilitators have decided to allow students to dip their toes in the waters of dictatorship.* The Procrastinator answers some common questions and concerns about the new format of the class.

### Q: What can I expect on the first day?

A: Everyone will be trying to assert their dominance on the first day. It's crucial that you show the others that you are not a beta [redacted]. Some of the most effective ways of doing this are maintaining eye contact for an uncomfortable amount of time, loudly chanting your name, and peeing on the competition. If you're shy, quiet, or a woman, good luck.

### Q: How Can I Get a 12 in the Course?

A: Good question.

### Q: What should I do if I don't feel comfortable in my group?

*We Didn't Know What Buffs Were, Either*

## Buff Surplus: An Ensuing Epidemic

*A study conducted by McMaster individuals recently confirmed a terrible truth: McMaster Health Sciences still has an oversupply of Buffs, despite the faculty's best effort in sending them off to loving students across the BHSc campus.*

"We've tried to give them away, but they keep coming back," says Stacy Ritz, Buff enthusiast. "It's strange. Who wouldn't want the silky, brittle comfort of a 2-star hotel right at your fingertips?"

Ever since the invention of Buffs in 2020, McMaster administration has been doing everything they can to get ahead of the market. Unfortunately, the mistake by one of the less visually-inclined members of the faculty, having inputted one additional "0" into the order request, engendered this predicament. Other faculties are beginning to take note of the ensuing Buff epidemic, and they worry that increasing Buff populations will only further their reproductive rate when held in captivity. Current professors hope that students will one day be able to embrace the ugliness and uselessness as a significant milestone in their BKTY personal journey.

A: Having a constant fear that you will be judged for your actions is part of the newly improved experience! Facilitators hope that students will better practice peer collaboration and evaluation as they decide who is deserving of becoming a scapegoat.

### Q: What if I disagree with my leader?

A: You need to start fully immersing yourself into the experience. Obviously, your ~~daddy~~ leader has your best interests in mind even if you aren't aware of it. Opinions are overrated and discussions waste time, so have faith in your leader. Freedom is slavery, after all.

### Q: What should I do if I don't enjoy inquiry?

A: You may want to cry to your life sci friends about how hard it is to be a health sci student, but remember that if someone finds out you snitched, you can say bye bye to your GPA.

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Furthermore, a pressing dilemma for the current oversupply is the growing number of students taking a picture of the Buffs instead of actually grabbing one (to never use like everyone else).

*"The thought of them living on the cold, moist, Hamilton streets breaks my heart."*

Researchers and influencers confirm that, in a clever analogy, taking a screenshot of a car is not the same as owning one.

"What the heck is a Buff?" says Hugh Janus, Buff non-enthusiast.

Stacy Ritz ended our interview with the following statement: "With the winter season approaching, we need to find forever homes for these discount scarves™ before we're forced to evict them. The thought of them living on the cold, moist Hamilton streets breaks my heart."

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## 12 Ways to Get into the Holiday Spirit!

1. Listen to Christmas music on repeat 24/7. Specifically "All I want for Christmas is You" by Mariah Carey, which is the best Christmas song of all time.
2. Take your furry kink to the next level by becoming a hibernating animal. DIY your nest to stay away from the frigid air outside.
3. Go see the Christmas displays and remind yourself that all that glitter is paid for by gold that you don't have.
4. Shop for gifts for yourself during Christmas and Boxing Day sales, then tap into your OSAP loans to buy shitty gifts for everyone else when you run out of money.
5. Spend way too much time calculating the minimum exam grade you need to pass your courses instead of actually studying.
6. Time to die for exams (this was supposed to be Step 1, but you've been putting it off for a while now).
7. Worry that you've failed your exams. Fortunately, you'll probably get money as a gift because you're an adult (and therefore you're too old for fun gifts), which you can use to pay for your tuition to retake the course.
8. \*Third-year BHSc students only: realize you don't have a thesis supervisor yet and frantically email professors during the Winter Break to figure out who's left.
9. Binge-watch Christmas movies like Home Alone or Elf, which will teach you that being a psychopath or an overgrown man-child is only socially acceptable during the holidays.
10. Forget that Hanukkah exists. Sing the Dreidel song to make up for it. Congratulate yourself for your respect for diversity and other cultures.
11. Thank your friends and family for the shitty gifts you got this year. Remind yourself that you either need to get better friends or resign yourself to sucking up to your current friends for next year's gifts.
12. Create a New Year's Resolution to learn from your mistakes this year and start the next year off right, and then forget about it after a month. It's the thought that counts!



## BHSc's Appalling Lack of Maturity

Following the tragic events of the horny incident this year, the Faculty of Health Sciences has decided to take preventative measures and send the entire class of 2024 to re-education camps. After all, punishing everyone is the only fair way to deal with this situation. The class of 2024 line up in front of their homes to be picked up by special yellow buses equipped with state-of-the-art stop signs that swing out whenever the bus opens its doors. Students also have the opportunity to become illustrious Bus Monitors, which will be a worthwhile addition to any resume or application they have in their future careers.

Upon getting on these buses, students are transported to ~~Miss Jenna's Junior Kindergarten class at Pierre Trudeau Elementary School~~ a revolutionary learning centre located in downtown Hamilton. Here, the students will learn about the importance of not using naughty

words, and will receive one less Fruit Roll-up at lunch for every bad word they use. Furthermore, students will also be given the opportunity to take pass/fail language, maths, and physical education classes to further enhance their cognitive development.

These classes are no joke either, as one such student we interviewed told us that they were struggling with the "difficult and rigorous academic requirements" at this learning center. Students must memorize the times tables as well as write one full length sentence everyday without accidentally turning it into a 12 page reflective essay on the importance of waiting for others to speak during class.

Stay tuned in our next issue for an exclusive follow up with the person responsible for the horny incident themselves, who oddly enough has chosen to identify themselves as "Hari".

*This Article Was Written Before Omicron was a Thing*

## Don't Cheat — Be a CHEATER

Criticizing the university's decision to return to campus for the Winter semester to be "a barrier to optimizing students' grade point averages for medical school admissions," a small group of BHSc students have started a grassroots advocacy organization aiming to raise awareness for their concerns regarding this transition.

"As future physicians, we believe that it is of the utmost importance to look at the evidence while we traverse these difficult times," says Seymour Butz, the president of the Changing How Educators Approach and Trust Evaluated Results (CHEATER) organization. "We've looked at the statistics, and it shows that online school has caused the average GPA to go from 3.0 to a 3.5. This is clear proof that students become more engaged in their courses, intelligent, and hard working from learning in an online environment. The correlation clearly points to causation, and as a student who 12'd HTHSCI 2GG3, you might say that I know a thing or two about interpreting evidence."

"Online learning has helped my GPA immeasurably—I went from a 3.9 to a 3.97, all thanks to my hard work and dedication to academic honesty. I wouldn't cheat on a boat. I would not cheat with a goat. I obviously never cheated, because it would be unbecoming of a future medical professional to engage in such unethical behavior. I would never cheat, but I am a proud CHEATER."

When Procrastinator reporters asked for a comment on accommodations for international students or the student housing market, Butz said, "Of course, these are also important issues; however, I frankly can't bring myself to care about them because they don't actually impact me." She later added that students would still retain the option of being born to wealthy households that would be able to afford Hamilton's housing market inflation.

## The Chemistry Department Collectively Forgets Chemistry

In the midst of a global crisis, the second chemistry midterm, an anonymous hero at McMaster University has uncovered the chemistry department's deepest, darkest secret. After decades of teaching, the entire staff has forgotten all chemistry.

The day before the big test, the unsuspecting student hopped onto a help-desk call with hopes of clearing their confusion. But instead of a life-changing explanation, they received no reaction; all chemistry knowledge had evaporated from the department's collective mind.

*"The periodic shrieks of Dr. Blueberg still echo through the halls."*

Panic precipitated. "Maybe we should rewatch a lecture?" a naive TA suggested. "Are you joking?! Watch the module at 2x speed or Google the damn thing!" retorted the department head, overreacting. The staff concentrated on the issue all night, and the periodic shrieks of Dr. Blueberg still echo through the halls. What was VSEPR? Isomers?? Chemistry???????????

Time was running out. As much as the department wanted to bond over watching Respondus footage of students crying, they couldn't reveal that their compounded chemistry knowledge had escaped overseas. And so, the plans for the unfathomably, stupendously, horrifyingly difficult test were scrapped.

Maybe it would all be for the best. The students didn't seem too bright, anyways; a 66% average on the first test? Someone needs to teach these kids better. Hopefully, the professors will figure out a solution before the final exam.

# Get back to work.

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