

Attention all arts students

During the past few years, Arts students have tended to be put down by other segments of the student community. Taking "artsy-fartsy" courses we have been branded licentious buffoons who are only at Dal for the social life. Although people are entitled to their opinions, the damaging image of Arts students has developed to the point where some students, during conversations, have hesitated in "admitting" they were Arts students for fear of an adverse, critical reaction.

We, as Arts students and Arts Reps, take exception to this "image" and would like to point out a few facts. These figures refer to the 1976-77 academic year with marginal increases being expected for 1977-78. In 1976-77 there were 6,848 full time students at Dalhousie -- of which 1956 were in Arts. Arts students made up 28.5% of the student population. We paid \$97,800 in Student Union fees and nearly \$3,000 in Society fees. If we're here for the social life we certainly paid the admission fee!

If you object to this prejudiced image and want to do something about it you can use the Arts

Society and your Arts Reps as a vehicle.

The Arts Society in the next few weeks will be holding a general meeting. If you have some ideas or views you would like to present, this would be the place to do it.

Whether you are a frosh or a



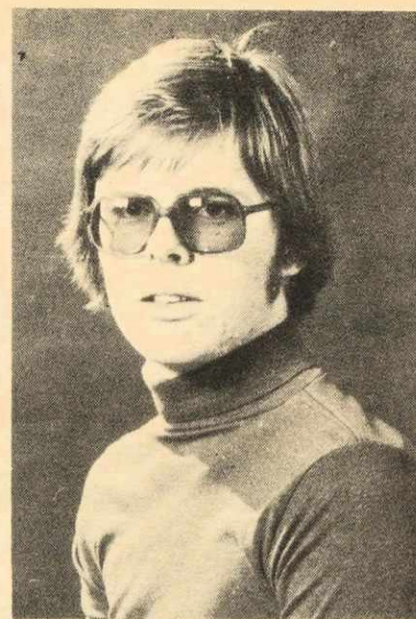
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returning student we would like you to know there are some people in the Council office you can talk to -- your Arts Reps.

If you're interested in student government, student organizations or have a problem, contact any one of us through the Council office on the 2nd floor of the S.U.B. Leave a message and a phone number and we'll get back to you. If we can't



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answer your question or solve your problem we will point you in the right direction to someone who can.

Remember you are entitled to get something for your student fees! If you have a question / suggestion / complaint -- tell us. We, your representatives on Council, can have a better, fuller impact if we have YOUR active support.

Your Arts Representatives

Ombudsman at Dalhousie

As a university grows and becomes more complex, there is an increasing need to deal with problems of communication between levels. Dalhousie, with a 1977-78 enrollment of nearly 10,000 is no exception. In 1971, the office of ombudsman was set up specifically for this purpose.

Dal is one of five universities in Canada with an ombudsman. The role is one of mediator and investigator. The Ombudsman receives complaints from university members, refers the dissatisfied customer to the appropriate official, and, when

necessary, acts as an impartial third party, listening and offering suggestions.

He/She is **not** simply a representative for student concerns. **Anyone** connected with the university may ask for advice. By providing a legitimate means of appeal for any complaints, the office fulfills a protective function for all students, faculty, and staff. If you have a problem, the Ombudsman can help!

During 1976-77, a total of 62 cases were brought to the Ombudsman. Some involved simple requests for information and advice, while others called for direct intervention

by office personnel. Several were referred to suitable authorities on & off campus.

Types of cases included academic, housing, and finance, as well as other matters of suspected injustice.

The Ombudsman is **not** to be confused with the senate or council,

however its role has proven useful to the whole university community.

September is a tedious time for the Ombudsman, however the Acting Ombudsman, Cheryl Tynski, will be happy to assist you, at Room 324 SUB or by phoning 424-6583. Anyone interested in the position of Assistant Ombudsman, whose duties are identical, is urged to apply.

Dal Co-ordinator

Harvey MacKinnon, Overseas Student Co-ordinator at Dalhousie, is looking for volunteers to assist him in greeting Dalhousie's Overseas Students.

MacKinnon's position was recently established to assist overseas students during their first days at Dal. It will also involve the co-ordination of social and cultural activities for Dalhousie's international students as well as development / education work on campus. The position is funded by the Student Union, the Graduate Student Association and the Graduate Studies Office.

MacKinnon says, "International students have enough problems with immigration laws and customs, so it's important to make their orientation into the Dalhousie community as smooth as possible. But,

we can't do it without your help. We would certainly appreciate anyone who would be willing to devote time and effort to introduce an international student to our city. It means a lot to have a friendly person greet you when you are new to a strange culture."

There is an obvious housing shortage this year and since the World Fisheries Exhibition is in town, temporary accommodation is scarce. Anyone willing to accommodate an overseas student for a few days should contact Harvey MacKinnon at 424-2404. People who can meet students upon their arrival are also needed.

The overseas student co-ordinator's office is on the fourth floor SUB, room 408, beside the Manpower Office. Telephone 422-2475.

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