

# **AEGSEG Position Paper**

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## Glossary

FSG: Laval University Faculty of Science and Engineering.

AEGSEG: Association des étudiants gradués en Sciences et Génie de l'Université Laval.

CEVES: Student Coalition for Environmental and Social Change

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## **History of changes Official**

## positions

## 1. University research and mentoring relationships

1.1 That AEGSEG supports the implementation of a biannual follow-up of the mandatory mentoring agreement between graduate students and their research supervisor, in order to identify potential improvements and measures to be taken to improve the handling of from the agreement by by the agreement.

- 1.2 That AEGSEG support the introduction of mandatory training for research directors in the supervision of graduate students.
  - 1.2.1 That this training be a prerequisite for associate professor status; and

1.2.2 That this training be taken by all FSG associate teachers in the year following its its introduction.

1.3 That AEGSEG supports open access to scientific research, and publicly funded public funding.

#### 2. Financial aid for studies and tuition fees

- 2.1 That AEGSEG advocates an improvement in the amount and quantity of funding available to all students, including international students, and their qualification for the scholarships offered by the FSG and its donors.
- 2.2 That AEGSEG supports a reduction in tuition fees for all students, including the international international students
- 2.3 That AEGSEG advocates greater transparency on the part of the FSG regarding the funds available to students and the publication of the status of these funds via the FSG website.

#### 3. International students

- 3.1 That AEGSEG take a stand in favor of raising awareness among faculty and departmental student association representatives of the issues involved in integrating international students into university life and Quebec society. Quebec society of international students.
- 3.2 That AEGSEG take a stand in favour of greater participation by international students
- 3.3 That l'AEGSEG se positionne pour une favorisation de l'intégration des étudiant.e.s students into Quebec society following their graduation.
- 3.4 That AEGSEG take a stand in favor of greater accessibility to learning resources of French as language second language.

#### 4. Environment and sustainable development

4.1 That AEGSEG supports the FSG's revision of its training offer to ensure that sustainable development plays a more important role in the curricula of all its students.

- 4.2 That AEGSEG supports a ban on the use of all forms of single-use plastic at FSG events and self-service sales.
- 4.3 That AEGSEG supports the demands of the movement *La planète s'invite à l'université* (now *CEVES*) on September 25, 2019, which are as follows:
  - 4.3.1 Governments to establish a program of environmental education and awareness-raising awareness of the climate crisis, in partnership with young citizens;
  - 4.3.2 Governments to adopt a climate law that, with the help of degrowth, forces the achievement of the targets recommended by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius. The IPCC calls for global CO2 emissions to be reduced by 50% by 2030, for net CO2 emissions to be zero by 2050, and for methane emissions to be reduced by almost 50% by 2050;
  - 4.3.3 Educational institutions to be more transparent about their investments, withdrawing from fossil fuel investments and keeping an institutional carbon footprint, so as to be able to target the biggest sources of GHG emissions with a view to reducing them;
- 4.3.4 Governments to respect the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples indigenous peoples, until consultation with communities indigenous communities.
  - 4.4 That AEGSEG take a stand in favor of improving the infrastructures and systems implemented That AEGSEG take a stand for the reduction, reuse and recycling of waste at FSG.
  - 4.5 That AEGSEG take a stand in favor of improving public transit, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructures, and in favor of reducing the role of the automobile in the community, especially on campus.

#### 5. Mental health and well-being

- 5.1 That AEGSEG supports the creation of more rest and relaxation areas for students at FSG.
- 5.2 That AEGSEG supports better access to psychology consultation services at Université Laval.
- 5.3 That AEGSEG advocates linking the Quebec health network and the psychological services offered by Université Laval to ensure rapid and effective care for people suffering from psychological distress.

#### 6. Living conditions

- 6.1 That AEGSEG take a stand in favor of minimum financial compensation for graduating FSG graduate students.
- 6.2 That AEGSEG supports an increase in the minimum wage in line with inflation and the minimum conditions for a decent lifestyle.

6.3 That AEGSEG supports an increase in the availability of affordable rents.

# 7. Equity, diversity and inclusion

7.1 That AEGSEG recognizes the need for targeted and intersectional action against the systemic and persistent barriers faced by people from minority and/or marginalized groups in the research environment.