

# ***SoPhIA***

Students of Philosophy Association  
Budget Proposal 2010-2011

Presented To  
The ASFA Finance Committee

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Dear ASFA,

In this letter it is our express purpose to introduce you to our member association, its history, mandate, and goals. SoPhiA, the students of philosophy association, comprises 423 members, an increase in enrollment from last year. In our mission statement we affirm that it is our role to encourage and maintain student life. While we represent philosophy students, this goal extends campus wide as we hope our events appeal to a broad range of students in that philosophy itself is a broad and varying subject. This has been made evident in the past by our collaboration with other member associations, an approach we are eager to continue.

Last year we were awarded Most Active Member Association, an honour that we hope to live up to this year. SoPhiA has many annual events and projects which we hope to maintain while introducing some new events. The Bookfair, Philopolis, the Lecture series, brunches with professors, opening and end of the semester parties, Peer-tutoring, Phosphorus the undergraduate journal and academic workshops are all among our continuing events and projects. This year we would like to introduce a film festival, participate in the inter-collegiate ethics bowl, reach out to Cegeps for recruitment of new students, host a benefit concert, and improve our association's library. Other more banal costs in our budget include the cost for fulfillment of our video editing contract from last year as well as the cost of hiring a new video editor at the end of this year so that all of our lectures can be made available online. While this list is long and great detail may not be provided for each specific costs, it will be most worthwhile to provide some information about our newer events and those which makeup a large portion of our budget.

Firstly, The inter-collegiate ethics bowl is event between different universities and institutes through out the United States, and is Organized by the APPE, The Association for Practical and Professional Ethics. It represents an unparalleled opportunity for philosophy students to apply classroom learning. Philopolis is an inter-university philosophy conference hosted in Montréal which SoPhiA would futuristically like to host in part at Concordia and thus are eager to demonstrate our commitment to the conference both financially and with volunteers. The film festival is a unique way of introducing students the variety of philosophical inquiry; it is our hope that this event will attract many students from across a variety of programs. Our library offers an alternative source of information for students and we would like to increase the accessibility of certain commonly used texts. Finally, for the benefit concert we would like to work with WSSA to raise funds for a charity of our choice.

Last year our association received \$6700, which was entirely spent, and this year as we are continuing many of the events from last year and introducing new ones we are seeking an increase in our budget. Last year's association audit found us with a 50 cent discrepancy and this year we seek to have no dollar unaccounted for. All of our costs have been duly researched by gathering quotes and estimates as well as referring to our previous budget. We find this amount to be very reasonable in consideration of our past achievements and future goals. We thank you for your consideration in this matter and look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Warm Regards,

SoPhiA (the Students of Philosophy Association)

## Summary of Expenditures for the 2010-2011 Financial Year

### *Administrative Expenses*

Office supplies	\$50.00
Printing fees	\$125.00
Website and Communications	\$156.00
Video Editing	\$700.00
Troop Support	\$200.00
Elections	\$300.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$2,186.00</b>

### *Social Expenses*

January Jump-Off	\$3,344.20
- Projected Revenue	<b>-\$1,500.00</b>
February Fundraiser	\$2,208.00
- Projected Revenue (To Fundraiser)	<b>-\$1,000.00</b>
SoPhiA End of Year Party	\$683.10
- Projected Revenue	<b>-\$500.00</b>
Hospitality	\$50.00
Student-Faculty Brunches	\$247.05
Sushi Lunches	\$206.40
Grad-Undergrad Mixer	\$446.64
- Projected Revenue	<b>-\$288.00</b>
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$7,185.39</b>
<b>Of the Sub-Total, SASU is asking for</b>	<b>\$1,672.10</b>
<b>Of the Sub-Total, WSSA is asking for</b>	<b>\$883.20</b>
<b>Of the Sub-Total, SoPhiA is asking for</b>	<b>\$4,630.09</b>
<b>Sub-Total Projected Revenue</b>	<b>-\$3,000.00</b>
<b>Of the Sub-Total Projected Revenue, SASU is claiming (@50%)</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>
<b>Total Projected Revenue</b>	<b>-\$2,250.00</b>
<b>SoPhiA's Total minus Total Projected Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,380.09</b>

### *Academic Expenses*

Philosophy 101 Booklet	\$360.00
Grads Helping Undergrads Workshops	\$180.00

Ethics Bowl	\$802.74
Philopolis (Inter-University Philosophy Conference) <sup>1</sup>	\$500.00
Concordia Philosophy Colloquial Speaker Series	\$500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$2,342.74</b>

<b>Overall Subtotal</b>	<b>\$9,158.83</b>
<b>Overall Projected Revenue</b>	<b>-\$2,250.00</b>
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>\$6,908.83</b>

### Detailed expenses for 2010-2011

#### Administrative Expenses:

<b>Office Supplies</b>	
Staples, Pens, Dry Erase Markers etc. (Bureau en Gros)	\$50.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>

<b>Printing Fees</b>	
Events and Speakers Posters (ASFA)	\$100.00
Forms and Documents (ASFA)	\$25.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>

<b>Website and Communications</b>	
Voicemail	\$96.00
Domain, Website and Mailing List Hosting (Nadim Kobessei)	\$35.00
Logo Design Honorarium	\$25.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$156.00</b>

<b>Video Editing</b>	
Completion of \$900 Contract from 2009-2010 (Ray Malone)	\$200.00
Projected New Contract (To Be Negotiated)	\$500.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>

<sup>1</sup> \*Philopolis is an Organization Independent of SoPhiA, Budget Available Upon Request

**Social Expenses:**

<b>January Jump-Off (with SASU) (Quoted from Brutopia)</b>	
Venue	Free
Bar Tab @ \$5/Pint or Cocktail	\$2,500.00
Tip @ 15%	\$400.00
Bracelet Costs (Printing bracelets as tickets)	\$8.00
Spill Over @ 15%	\$436.20
<b>Sub Total:</b>	\$3,344.20
- Projected Revenue (Tickets @ 10\$)	<b>-\$1,500.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	\$1,844.20
<b>SoPhiA is Asking</b>	\$1,672.10
<b>SASU is Asking</b>	\$1,672.10

Number of Students: 150

Ticket price: \$10

<b>February Fundraiser (Benefit Concert with WSSA)</b>	
Venue 4hrs @ \$45/hr	\$180.00
Bar Tab @ \$5/Pint or Cocktail	\$1,500.00
Tip @15%	\$225.00
Ticket Printing Costs	\$15.00
Spill Over @ 15%	\$288.00
- Projected Revenue (To Fundraiser)	<b>-\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Sub Total:</b>	\$2,208.00
<b>SoPhiA is Asking</b>	\$1,324.80
<b>WSSA is Asking</b>	\$883.20

Number of Students: 100

Ticket Prince: \$10

<b>SoPhiA End of Term (Quoted From Burrito Ville)</b>	
Venue @ \$45/Hr (4 hrs)	\$180.00
Beer (4Cases @ \$75/case)	\$300.00
Mini Quesadilla (5 Platters @ \$12/dozen)	\$60.00
Tip	\$54.00
Spill Over @ 15%	\$89.10
<b>Sub Total:</b>	\$683.10
- Projected Revenue (tickets @ \$5)	<b>-\$500.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	\$987.69

Number of Students: 50

Ticket Price: \$10

<b>Hospitality</b>	
Coffee, Tea etc for Events Which Otherwise Have No Budget	\$50.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>

<b>Faculty-Student Brunches</b>	
Food (Chartwells)	247.05
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$247.05</b>

Number of students: 80 (2x @ 40/ea.)

<b>Sushi Lunches</b>	
Food (Priced From Kim Phat Grocery)	\$206.40
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$206.40</b>

Number of students: 80 (2x @ 40/ea.)

<b>Grad-Undergrad Mixers</b>	
Food (Chartwells)	\$186.64
Alcohol (SAQ)	\$180.00
Alcohol Permit (SAQ)	\$80.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$446.64</b>
- Projected Revenue (12 Bottles at \$2 per half-glass)	<b>-\$288.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$158.64</b>

Number of students: 80 (2x @ 40/ea.)

Donation of \$2 per Drink

### **Academic Expenses:**

<b>Concordia Philosophy Colloquial Speaker Series</b>	
Contribution to Department Speaker Series	\$500.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

<b>Philosophy 101 Booklet</b>	
Printing (ASFA)	\$300.00
Book Assembly	\$60.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$360.00</b>

<b>Grads Helping Undergrads Workshops</b>	
Honorariums	\$180.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$180.00</b>

<b>Ethics Bowl</b>	
Registration (APPE)	\$150.00
Car Rental + Gasoline (Hertz Montreal Website)	\$322.38
15% Contingency on Car Rental + Gasoline	\$48.36
Accommodation (Days Inn Hanover New Hampshire)	\$282.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$802.74</b>

Number of students: 5

<b>Philopolis (Inter-University Philosophy Conference)</b>	
Contribution to Conference	\$500.00
<b>Sub Total:</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

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