The following is a list of elections to be held on March 28-29, 2019 and the candidates for each position. Note that not all seats on the Arts and Science Council or the standing committees have required an election, as in some cases the candidates were acclaimed because the number of candidates did not exceed the number of available positions.

**Arts & Science Council – Full-Time Social Sciences Student (7 candidates; 3 available positions)**

**Malek Abdel-Shehid**
I am a third-year student majoring in Human Geography and Diaspora & Transnational Studies. Since arriving at UofT, I have been appointed to several leadership positions including with the Black Students’ Association and the African Studies Course Union. I firmly believe in the importance of people belonging to marginalized communities taking on leadership positions, as well as using these leadership positions to shed light on underexamined issues. It is my mission as a member of the Arts and Science Council and its standing committees to represent and work in the best interest of those students.

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Wajahat Naqvi
Hello! My name is Syed Wajahat Abbas Naqvi and I am a second year economics student running for a position on the Arts and Science Council. I will actively participate in student led governance that strives to work in the best interest of the University of Toronto and you, its bright students.

Our Faculty of Arts and Sciences is brilliant and I promise to do 2 things:
1) Understand what you want
2) Make efforts to offer you more than you expect!

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Arts & Science Council – Full-Time Sciences Student (5 candidates; 3 available positions)

Hayley Agler
If elected, I will bring enthusiasm to all meetings, share my ideas and be an active member of the council/committee. I believe I have useful insight from my almost two years as a science student.

Marlene Rong
Hi everyone! My name is Marlene Rong and I am a 3rd-year Neuroscience/Psychology double major. I’m hoping to be one of your Science Councillors for the 4th in a row, and spend another year on the Curriculum Committee! I’m confident that my previous experiences on A&S Council, VP of the Human Biology Students’ Union and Executive Member of TEDxUofT have showcased my passion for student governance, and make me a strong candidate for these positions. Looking forward to another year of ensuring that Science student interests are represented when it comes to major faculty-wide changes and updates to programs/courses!

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Committee on Admissions (7 candidates; 2 available positions)

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Academic Appeals Board (Undergraduate) (10 candidates; 3 available positions)

Aqeel Assan-Lebbe
For a faculty that caters to nearly 30 000 students, it’s important that the decisions that shape our university experience are responsive to our needs. Through my years of campus involvement, I’ve served as a liaison between students and administration and come to understand how important it is to leverage institutional resources to enrich our learning experience.

And if you relate to the earnestness of the ‘It ain’t much, but it’s honest work’ meme as much as I do, we’re bound to do good work.

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Angie Luo
Upholding the integrity and reputability at an institution like the University of Toronto is of the utmost importance while maintaining the objectiveness of the process of appeals is necessary for both our university and for us students.

I am running to be on the Academic Appeals Board because I believe in our students' rights to fair appeals. I will ensure that students and faculty or staff on the board conduct productive conversations on any and all appeals, establishing that appealing students' voices are heard and properly taken into account to achieve a fair decision.

Sterling Mancuso
I am a student of international relations and economics. I have experience serving on the Trinity College Senate, Arts and Science Committee, and Corporation. I would bring a compassionate approach to this position, and fight against timorous souls gagging student voices with legalese.

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