

# CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER RULING

### **Toronto Metropolitan Students' Union General Elections 2024**

The following is a ruling of the CRO relating to the 2024 TMSU General Election.

The rules and procedures of the election are determined by the TMSU By-Laws and the Election Procedure Code, which can be found here: <a href="yourtmsu.ca/election">yourtmsu.ca/election</a>

Ruling Code #	CRO#003
Date Received:	February 15,2024
Date of Ruling:	February 22,2024
Related Rulings	-
Type of Decision	Initial ruling
Nature of Decision	Violations of the rule
Complainant/CRO:	Complaint
Nominee/ Candidate:	Hala Touma
Alleged Violation in By-laws or the Code	Section 8.3.7.2
Relevant Penalties provided in the Code	Pre- Campaigning

#### **Evidence presented by the Complainant/CRO:**

The CRO received a screenshot which showed the candidate posted a story on their social media. The candidate announced they are running for a Vice President position and would like the students to nominate them. Friends of the candidate also posted on their social media stories, announcing the candidacy of their friend.





## **Evidence presented by the Nominee/Candidate:**

The candidate submitted the screenshot of the story they posted, they admitted they broke the rule and were not aware of it.

#### **CRO/ERC Decision:**

The CRO has made a decision to penalize the candidate based on the evidence

CRO/ERC Decision	
Penalties Issued	20 demerit points
Deadline to Appeal	48 hours

