

# 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: [yourtmsu.ca/election](http://yourtmsu.ca/election)

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| Ruling Code #                                 | CRO#007  |
| Date Received:                                | March 1,2024   |
| Date of Ruling:                               | March 1,2024   |
| Related Rulings                               | -  |
| Type of Decision                              | Initial Ruling   |
| Nature of Decision                            | Violation of the EPC   |
| Complainant/CRO:                              | Alessandra Baltodano Lucho   |
| Nominee/<br>Candidate:                        | The Students Leading Change (slate)  |
| Alleged Violation in<br>By-laws or the Code   | 8.1.22, 8.1.23 and 8.1.25.1  |
| Relevant Penalties<br>provided in the<br>Code | 8.3.7.1 - Violation Campaign Material (Multiple violations in the same location / building - 5 demerit points)<br><br>8.3.7.1 - Violation Campaign Material (Multiple violations for the same Campaign Material - 5 demerit points)<br><br>8.3.7.1 - Violation Campaign Material (Multiple violations within ten (10) meters - 8 demerit points) |

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

The CRO received a complaint that the slate, *The Students Leading Change*, has put up their posters on various locations. There were many breaches reported and multiple



violations in the same building, many of these violations are within 10 meters. The posters are put up within 1 foot of other slate's posters.

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

No evidence was required from the slate since sufficient evidence was provided

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

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

| <b>CRO/ERC Decision</b> |                  |
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| Penalties Issued        | 5 demerit points |
| Deadline to Appeal      | 48 hours         |

