



2024 OUMSA Update - February Edition

Kia ora e te whānau! A very warm welcome to you all; whether you're back for another year or starting fresh in 2024. We, as OUMSA, are grateful for the energy and excitement across the cohort so far and are looking forward to the year ahead.

In 2024, we (OUMSA executive team) have made it our goal to improve transparency and increase communication with our members. Whilst we recognise that some of our handlings are sensitive and cannot be shared to the public domain, we want our students involved in the running of OUMSA as much as possible. In light of this, we will be releasing monthly updates that outline our actions during that month.

OUMSA committee introduction

We'd like to take this opportunity to introduce our team. Head over to the website to read more about who we are and what our roles consist of, but here are our names for reference's sake:

President: Dakyung Lee

Vice President Administration: Brian Wong

Vice President External: Ali Dohan

Treasurer: Ish Sediqi

Education Officer Internal: Boston Christensen

Education Officer External: Ashwini Sukumaran

Welfare Officer: Tiara Das

Social Officer: Kia Wales

Sports Officer: Nicholas Harman

NZMSA General Representative: Cam Young

Community Outreach Officer: Pearl Bir

Communications/Sponsorship Officer: Francine Sales

ECCO Convenor: Hannah Riley

Website/Store Administrator: Lakshay Yadhuvanshi

3rd Year Representative: Emma Hollingworth

Gap Year Representative: Luke Stedman

TOKO Representative: Maioha Haimona-Ngawharau

PIHPSA Representative: Caramel Ah Chong

Chief Welfare Animal Officer: Murphy

Med O-week Report

A huge shout out to those involved in our 2024 Med O-week, including our awesome ELM3 Group Leaders. We had 265 ticket sales across the four days, with incredibly positive feedback received for all events. Highlights included an epic Amazing Race to kickstart the week, Crab Soccer at Sports Day invented by our very own Sports Officer, magic weather for both Volunteering and Beach Days and, of course, our epic Saturday Night Social.

We would also like to issue a huge thank you to MAS who sponsored a number of our events. We could not have done it without them.

OUMSA Store Price Changes

We are constantly looking to make our events and services better value for money for our members. In 2024, the changes we wish to highlight are:

1. For ELM3 students who wish to purchase a 1-year subscription to OUMSA, this is now a possibility and is available on our website for \$50.

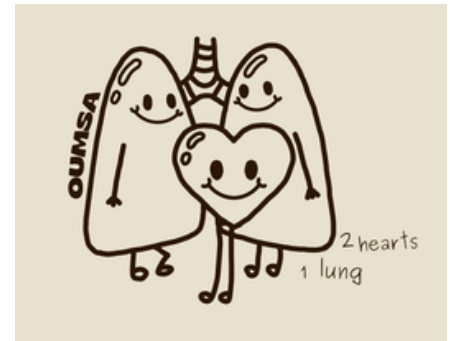
2. The Study Buddy Subscription price has been reduced to \$60 for OUMSA members. The Non-OUMSA member price is \$95.
3. Individual study buddy tickets remain \$15 for OUMSA members. Non-OUMSA members the price is \$25.
4. Cases textbook prices have been revised to \$35 for OUMSA members. Non-OUMSA member price remains \$50.

Med Clubs n Socs

A reminder that many Med Clubs and Socs will be starting up in the next few weeks. Keep an eye out on the Facebook page for updates, and come along to Med Clubs Day on Thursday 7th March in the Hunter Centre for more information.

Med Merch

Our summer Med Merch has been released on our website and is open for orders until Sunday 10th March. This year the options are the AS Colour's Heavy Faded Tee in Brown or Ecu with a screen printed heart and lungs design as shown here. More details can be found on our website but please be aware this is a limited-time offer. Buy now and be dripped out all season long!



OUMSA Membership Discounts

2024 OUMSA Membership Discounts have been announced on the Facebook pages in the last few days. To check out all the deals, you can find the list as a pinned post/story on Instagram, on Facebook and also on the website. Remember that a sticker is required on your Student ID for you to claim these discounts. Come and see us at our OUMSA Office Hours from 1-2pm Tuesday or Thursday to get your sticker!

Coming Up in March...

- SGM

In preparation for our upcoming March elections, OUMSA will be holding an SGM at 8.00 am on Friday 8th March. We encourage anyone to come along and see what we do, especially if you are considering running for our upcoming March Election.

- March Elections

We've changed up the election process in 2024. This year each stream from ELM2 and ELM3 will be voting for their own Education Rep. The ELM2 Rep position has also changed to become two roles, an ELM2 General Rep and ELM2 Administration Rep. We hope this will give ELM2 more of a say on our Executive Committee. There are a number of other positions available across a variety of areas, so start planning your campaign now! Campaigning starts Monday 11th March and ends Thursday 14th March, with voting following this.

Other events:

- Supergrad Meet & Greet - 1st March
- 2023 OUMSA Review survey closes - 3rd March
- Sem 1 Social Sport begins - 4th March
- Flat Crawl - 16th March
- Med Mentoring begins - 18th March