



UTGSU Executive Committee's Statement and Petition Against White Supremacy

Dear UTGSU Members,

On August 14, a Facebook event created by the Canadian Nationalist Party promoting a "Toronto Nationalist Rally" on September 14 at The University of Toronto King's College Circle was discovered. The CNP has a clear platform that undermines the equity and advocacy efforts of the UTGSU and our Members, including the support for the creation of a national citizen militia, the elimination of a minimum and fair wage, the abolition of democratic institutions, and the cancellation of support for Indigenous people. While The University of Toronto has reported the event to Facebook, asking them to remove it and has publicly stated that no "official booking" for the space was made, the administration of The University of Toronto has not stated that they are working to put measures in place to prevent any collective organizing of this nature happening from this group on our campus.

The UTGSU Executive Committee does not condone or tolerate white supremacy. Considering the violence that took three lives and injured countless others in Charlottesville, Virginia over this past weekend, The University of Toronto should not be taking a passive stance that gives opportunity for white supremacy to live and grow on our campus.

We are asking all graduate students to sign our petition, asking The University of Toronto to develop and implement proactive measures that protects its Members and prevents the campuses of The University of Toronto to act as sites of bigotry. Sign here: <https://goo.gl/Mn9mTa>.

In solidarity,

The UTGSU Executive Committee

If you want to get involved:

- [London Stands in Solidarity with Charlottesville Against Hate \(August 16\)](#)
- [Standing in Solidarity with Charlottesville/ St Catherines \(August 16\)](#)
- [Fight the Right Toronto: We Stand With Charlottesville \(August 31\)](#)
- [Unite Rally to Silence White Supremacy in Toronto \(September 14\)](#)