



January 30, 2017

Statement on Islamophobic Violence

On January 29, 2017, we witnessed the violent and tragic consequences of Islamophobia in our community. Members of our community were praying inside a Quebec mosque when they were murdered in an act of hate.

APUS denounces this and other acts designed to target members of the global Muslim community, including current state-based legislation in the United States as well as here in Canada. We stand in solidarity with Muslim and racialized students on campus and members of the broader community who are being targeted with violence. To all those affected by the Québec attack including families and loved ones, we offer our prayers and condolences.

At the same time, we all need to challenge these racist, Islamophobic and xenophobic policies in the courts, at airports and in the streets. We all need to work towards the end of all forms of oppression and discrimination and build safer campuses and communities.

We invite members of the campus community to attend vigils on campus and in the community to stand in solidarity against Islamophobia, racism, and xenophobia:

Toronto Vigil in Solidarity with the Muslims of Québec | UofT NMCSU

January 30, 2017 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM

King's College Circle, Toronto.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1670402936319800/>

Quebec Shooting: Vigil on Gould St

January 30, 2017 | 6:30 - 8:30 PM

350 Victoria Street, Toronto.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/373086053050464/>

National Days of Action Against Islamophobia & Deportations

February 4, 2017 | 12:30 - 2:30 PM

360 University Avenue, Toronto

<https://www.facebook.com/events/407436779648169/>