2023-24 UASU Executive Goals



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Exec Goals:

Values and Planning Ahead

Why Does it Exist?

The annual Executive Goals is the executive team's formal plan of what we want to accomplish during our term

What is it informed by?

The Goals are based on integrating the Executive team's platforms, issues that have come up for the year, and the long-term goals of the UASU outlined in:

- The Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee Recommendations
- The UASU Strategic Plan



Executive Goals - Major Priorities

- 1. Amplify Student Voices
- 2. Enhance and Cultivate the Student Experience
- 3. Promote Comprehensive Student Learning



1.1 Empower Students to Shape Our Future Direction

- Develop the Students' Union Strategic Plan
- Cultivate an inclusive, safe and supportive council culture through the review and improvement of governance structures and processes.
- Encourage diverse representation and inclusivity in candidate slates by increasing student awareness and participation in elections



1.1 Empower Students to Shape Our Future Direction (cont'd)

- Create a representative body for students in Augustana residence
- Support Indigenous student leaders on campus through collaboration, develop advocacy priorities that reflect Indigenous student needs specific to the University of Alberta.



1.2 Foster Grassroots Engagement with Students

- Host direct opportunities for students to engage with UASU executives
- Improve access to on and off-campus volunteer experience



1.2 Foster Grassroots Engagement with Students (cont'd)

- Renew the UASU website to improve connection and awareness of the Students' Union
- Review the student group grant application process to ensure that they effectively support student group activities on and off campus.



1.3 Grow the Public Profile of Student Issues

- Advocate for the creation of a Government of Alberta working group on Campus Sexual Violence
- Highlight inequities faced by International students to the Provincial and Federal government



1.3 Grow the Public Profile of Student Issues (cont'd)

- Collect students perspectives on the campus food vendor contract
- Evaluate the guaranteed tuition model to provide flexibility and affordability for international students



2.1 Alleviate the Economic Burden on Students

- Save students money through initiatives designed to reduce our operational expenses.
- Reduce our reliance on student revenue by growing and diversifying our non-student revenue streams.



2.1 Alleviate the Economic Burden on Students (cont'd)

- Pursue and publish more student discount opportunities
- Improve awareness of and advocate to expand eligibility to the University's needs-based financial aid supports



2.2 Streamline Campus Accessibility Navigation

- Initiate the process to build an accessible gender neutral washroom in Dewey's
- Develop a sustainable and scalable framework for the period equity initiative
- Work with University leadership to improve and expand access to academic accommodations



2.3 Build a Supportive University Community

- Ensure the University continues to incorporate and develop cultural sensitivity training for counselors and that these services are accessible across our campuses
- Advocate for an increase in the Provincial Mental Health Grant to the University, with a focus on ensuring that more money flows to Augustana and Campus Saint Jean
- Push for the Sexual and Gender Based Violence Response Coordinator to become a permanent position within University administration

Promote Comprehensive Student Learning



3. Promote Comprehensive Student Learning

3.1 Incorporate Indigenous Student Learning

- Advocate for Indigenous course content to new and existing courses
- Improve the completion rate of residence's mandatory move-in module and expand on Indigenous and consent culture content
- Organize an Indigenous student recognition event to promote and highlight the achievements of Indigenous students



3. Promote Comprehensive Student Learning

3.2 Improve Academic Conditions and Transparency

- Improve standards and support for students in Work-Integrated-Learning terms
- Advocate for increased transparency for course selection through a syllabus bank
- Advocate to the Provincial government for improved internet infrastructure for rural remote learners



3. Promote Comprehensive Student Learning

3.3 Reduce Academic Burden on Students

- Advocate for allocation of resources to support and encourage hybrid learning
- Increase textbook affordability for students
- Advocate for the simplification of sub-degree accreditation recognition

Thanks!

Any questions?