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General Election 2016

March 1-3, 2016

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adaptable

team player

effective communicator

critical thinker

innovator
Executive Cabinet

President

U of C- you have spoken, and I am your voice. I have connected with each of the 312 clubs on campus and I talked to over 2000 students. I listened carefully to what you as students want from the SU in the coming year. With careful consideration I have designed a platform essentially written by you. I have heard you and here are your suggestions that I will achieve if elected as the next Student Union President:

Our Diversity
- Multicultural Week: A week to celebrate different cultures on our campus, by hosting an informative fair with food and cultural activities.

Our Food
- Double the Halal: double the amount of Halal-servings in Macewan Hall.
- Double Healthy and Affordable: double healthier-food options in Macewan Hall.

Our Finances
- Cheaper & Flexible Parking: re-entry parking option, lower parking rates after 18:00PM and discounted parking fees on the weekends.
- Cheaper Books & Better Selling Options

1. My plan:
I want students to be treated with the respect they deserve. This is my plan:

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3. SU Transparency and Accountability
Making a Difference – Today!
Join Me In Campaigning for Charity: Friends, this election gives me an opportunity to reach thousands of students. I want to use this opportunity to do something good – starting today! Here are the events I will host throughout the campaign to raise funds for local charities.
- Donate Your Old Boots
- Toonie Boots Shining
- Charity Concerts

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All this takes is a meeting between MLAs to create a direct outlet for students interested in lobbying to the provincial and federal governments. This would be one of my top priorities.

1. Preventative Medicine: Advocacy
   - Employment & Co-Op Opportunities
     - Prognosis: Students are worried about finding a job after graduating, especially in this economy. Co-Op and internships are the best way students get degree relevant jobs. This would be one of my top priorities.
   - Treatment: I will lobby the Provincial and Federal governments to expand the Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP) and deliver on promises to create 40,000 youth jobs and invest $40 million into Co-Op.

   - Prognosis: Tuition is only frozen until 2017, and loopholes such as Market Modifiers and MNIFs (Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees) still exist.
   - Treatment: The government promised to close these loopholes, but hasn’t. I will hold the provincial government accountable and create a permanent solution.

3. Transplanting the Funds
   - The UPASS
     - Prognosis: The UPASS is an important service for students, however over the next 3 years fees will increase 17% to $151. Additionally, no appeals process exists for ticketed students who forgot their UPASS.
     - Treatment: I will campaign against continued fee increases and work with the city to create an appeals process.

3. Advocate for Quality of Student Life
   - With our busy lives as students, we tend to forget to maintain the balance we need in order to be successful with our academic career. Since we spend most of our time on campus, I want to ensure that there is adequate government funding for services and programs that will focus on students’ needs.

Let’s CRUZ together, to make an impact and change the post-secondary system.

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Each year candidates for Student Life work with vendors to create standardized An obvious solution to an obvious problem. Expand on existing programs that connect - they just need an excuse to…and a gimmick isn’t going to work.

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Vice President Student Life (continued)

Dear fellow mammals,

My name is Patrick Ma. I was born in the Year of the Monkey. 2016 is the Year of the Monkey. This is not a coincidence. I’m looking to be your next VP Student Life because I believe I have the drive, capability and knowledge necessary to deliver on some key promises for the good of all undergraduate students. Here’s the plan:

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT**

Develop methods to foster student engagement and support clubs.

- Club Spotlight. Every month one club gets featured in the clubs newsletter along with a potential opportunity for additional funding.
- Adapt the club funding procedure by consulting students with regards to potential changes of a) funding amounts, b) types of funding, and c) periods of funding allocation.

**SUPPORT STUDENTS**

Connect students with alumni and improve accessibility on campus.

- Pizza Day: Recognize the value students provide to the institution by simply thanking them... with pizza. PIZZA.
- Work with the VP Academic to provide opportunities for students to connect with professionals and/or alumni by hosting bi-annual networking panels to promote experiential learning and future job security for graduating students.
- Improve campus-wide accessibility by undergoing an accessibility audit to discover under and over-utilized areas and improve navigational concerns.

**MENTAL HEALTH**

Be proactive regarding mental health initiatives

- Work with Mental Health services on campus to provide students with a platform to voice their concerns regarding common stressors to be used in future planning of campus-wide services.
- Revamp de-stress kits: Add informational elements with helpful mental health tips that include available services on campus.
- Continue to seek out external outlets of additional funding for mental health research and services.

Let’s make 2016-2017 chimply awesome. Any questions? Text me! (403) 805-3869

Your prime-mate,

Patrick Padraig Joseph Vincent 志榮 Ma

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Vice President Academic

My name is Alicia Lunz.

I’m a third year Nursing Student and I want to be your next VP Academic! I have been around this campus for seven years as I did a degree in Kinesiology prior to Nursing. I have experienced some of the long term concerns that students have and want to continue to make the academic experience on this campus even better!

My three main goals are:

First, I would like to have the option of students being able to evaluate their TAs at midterm to be able to evaluate their TAs at midterm to provide better feedback to the TAs in regards to their teaching. This would be integrated into their D2L course and would be simple to fill out. I believe this will give the instructors and the faculty more feedback of how their TAs are doing and what students want for their learning. A midterm evaluation would also allow for changes to be made throughout the semester which in turn, would lead to the students having a more positive learning experience.

Second, I would like to create a series of seminars that inform undergraduate students about how to research. Most faculties do not have courses specific to how research is conducted and I believe that more students would want to do research if they had a more profound background in research methods. These seminars would be run by students who have successfully conducted research previously and have experience.

Thirdly, I would like to increase the involvement of students on the Student Academic Appeals Committee. Training would be provided to these undergraduate students so that they can effectively evaluate the appeals presented. Having an undergraduate perspective on this committee will allow for more empathy for students going through the appeal process and hopefully lead to more fair judgment of appeals.

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Vice President Operations and Finance

Hey U of C! My name is Branden Cave and I am running to be your VP Operations and Finance. I am a fourth year economics major with a passion for helping student organizations succeed. I have been involved in various student groups throughout my undergraduate degree, from residence to clubs and everywhere in-between. I plan to use my experience to grow the SU and help the students in represents.

**1. MacEwan Student Centre**

- Protecting years of student investment in our building and ensuring the success of the Students’ Union requires accepting nothing less than student ownership in MacHall. Depending on the success of the current mediation I will either continue to fight for student ownership, or if it is recognized, strike an agreement with the University that works best for students.

**2. Advancing the Organization**

- Continue to grow the organization by improving transparency and expanding initiatives.

a. **Transparency:** Publishing the SU budget and ensuring the availability of SLC documents so students understand where their money is going. In addition I would like to engage the tri-media in promoting conversation around SLC activities.

b. **Commitment to Sustainability:** Expansion of the compost program to the residence community.

c. **Food Vendors and Dietary Restrictions:** Introduce a simple labelling system for vendors so that students can easily identify food that matches their dietary restrictions.

**3. Student Resources**

- Improve access to the services needed for success.

a. **Sponsorship and Policy Assistance Program:** Work with the VP Student Life to create a program to assist clubs in creating effective policies and engaging with off-campus organizations and businesses.

b. **Mental Health Initiative Funding:** Much like the sustainability fund, this will ensure mental health initiatives get proper support for implementation.

c. **Residence Community:** I plan to provide additional support to the RSA for their advocacy efforts and initiatives.
Hi my name is Matt. I am a Visual Arts student that is passionate about improving student experience and enhancing student experience. I am currently a student leader in the Residence Student Association and I love representing the residents to better their residence experience and to advocate on their behalf regarding residence issues.

My platform is about enhancing the student experience by providing more opportunities, enhancement of art facilities and connectedness for art events.

Hello Arts students! I am a Law and Society major vying to represent you on the Students’ Union. I am highly involved on campus, a former Union Representative for one of the largest private unions in the province, and have an active interest in faculty and university-wide issues. After much input from fellow Arts students, I am proud to tell you about my core platform points.

1. Food Ingredients List

All food vendors on campus, including the Residence Dining-Center, need to display a list of their food ingredients so anyone with health or dietary concerns can make informed choices. We should know what’s in our mystery-meat burgers, even if it is just for our own curiosity.

2. Paid Internships and Summer Jobs

For many Arts students, finding a summer job related to our field can be extremely challenging. While students in engineering and business seem to have plentiful opportunities for summer employment, Arts students do not. I will strive to develop more opportunities for paid internships and summer jobs by coordinating with the government’s Student Temporary Employment Program, and Calgary-area industry. I have already started contacting local businesses, and many were interested in setting up a dedicated Arts job fair in order to provide employment for Arts students.

3. Arts Spaces (sans duct tape)

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My name is Courtney and I am an engaged and passionate Anthropology student with diverse interests in all things Arts! I have fallen in love with the diversity of our faculty during my time at the university and enjoy every opportunity to explore what our faculty has to offer.

As your next Faculty of Arts Student Representative, I would like to work on improving engagement and awareness among our peers in our faculty. As the biggest cohort of students, it is easy to feel lost with all of the opportunities available. I want to facilitate an easier way for all Arts students to be up-to-date on faculty offerings to foster a greater sense of community and involvement. It is said that one of the biggest barriers to involvement is that people are unaware or were not asked. I want to diminish this barrier.

I would also like to work on the development of more arts specific programming to help our peers with a variety of skills relevant to making the most of our diverse degrees. Other faculties often have their own specific workshops, networking events, information nights and other beneficial programming. As a group that is often undervalued many of these events would help develop greater skills for everything from academics to general life management and career oriented capabilities.

A final goal I would like to work towards would be to found an arts mentorship program. I feel it is important for all who seek guidance to be able to receive it. This program would facilitate mentorship relations between students and faculty or potentially other upper year students. This source of guidance would be key in bringing together our faculty in its entirety.

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I’m a good candidate for this position because:

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Faculty Representatives - Haskayne School of Business

VOTE FOR 2 CANDIDATES

Samantha Sirianni
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Cumming School of Medicine

Hello everyone, I’m Sam Sirianni and I am running to be your Cumming School of Medicine Representative!

I’m a good candidate for this position because:

My three years in the BHSc program and involvement with Orientation week, HSSA, OneBall and Kid’s Cancer Care Foundation have been invaluable experiences. I am organized, reliable, dependable and approachable; all qualities I believe a rep should have.

I want to make sure that our next year is the best it can be! Here’s how I want to do that:

a. Writing support: I will implement writing support to aid students with academic essays and research papers, tailored specifically to the needs we have in our programs.

b. Open text books: Let’s cut textbook costs by making them available through the library. This is happening in other faculties across campus, why not us too?

c. Course description: I will implement a better course description for our faculties course requirements so that we know exactly what to expect in a course. This would be a paragraph description of the class directly from the professor. I will also formulate a document of advice written by upper year students to aid incoming and current students with understanding our program.

d. Integration of the faculty: I’ll hold events that bring the years and all the groups in our faculty closer together, similar to the purpose of the BHSc buddy program. I would like to organize faculty intramural teams and movie nights for BHSc, MD and CRDS students in order to create unity and meet new people.

e. Let’s make Foothills ours: I will have clubs hold bake sales and have an SU movie night at foothills. I will expand the clubs day even, which would provide more clubs with a platform to engage students in participating in events on campus.

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Faculty Representatives - Cumming School of Medicine

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Steeven Toor
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Cumming School of Medicine

Hello!

The key to success is a strong support system built collectively with our peers, faculty members and alumni. In order to accomplish this, I will be focusing on student-faculty engagement and increasing accessibility, improving our overall experience within the Faculty of Medicine.

My aspirations go beyond the scope of just the upcoming year, implementing new resources that will help students reach their full potential.

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Maximillian Hum
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Haskayne School of Business

Hello, my name is Maximillian Hum and I am running to be your Haskayne faculty rep. I am a 1st year student pursuing a concentration in Finance, a current director for AIESEC, and a very passionate individual motivated to make the most of my experience at the University of Calgary. My commitment is to devote myself to three areas of improvement that I believe will have the greatest outcome for students.

- The first area is increasing student engagement with clubs and other activities around campus. There are over 200 student union clubs and 15 Haskayne recognized clubs. Over the course of my term I will work with these clubs to find ways to more effectively engage students. Extra-curricular activities are shown to increase attendance, grades, and the number of social relationships students have. However, just having the opportunity to participate is not enough. It is the mindset that matters. Haskayne happiness week was a much welcomed event that had some great perks.

- The second area of improvement will be to increase the number of regularly scheduled events that benefit the most students. These improvements include better information about resources on campus like CCAL and the Hunter Center, increasing the number of healthy food choices and increasing the sustainability of Scurfield hall.

- Next, I will make a commitment to answering every email from a Haskayne student in a timely manner. This can ensure good communication with the student body regardless of time and place. Furthermore, I recognize my responsibility to the improvement of the community and will improve my format of monthly reports by including video summaries. I am very conscientious about the responsibilities of this role and I am confident that I have the abilities to be your Faculty Rep. Please vote for Max on March 1-3!

- Thank you!
Dear Haskayne Students!
I am a 4th year Business student in Operations Management and am running for Haskayne School of Business Representative. Currently I am an executive of Enactus and the Residence Athletic Association (RAA), which has lead me to become a passionate leader for the communities I am involved in. Throughout my degree I have learned about the students, clubs and interworking’s of Haskayne, which helped me gain insight into what students want and how to make change happen within the Faculty. My platform is focused on knowledge and awareness for students.

Firstly, funding is always important for students and I will strive to increase your awareness for the funds you can apply for. These will include funds such as the SEF and Haskayne Levy, their requirements, deadlines, and increase the breath of activities that these applications are getting approved for. Future student should not see money as the primary barrier to attending an event that could help them grow!

Secondly, in recent times the Haskayne Representatives have lost valuable positions within the Faculty Council at Haskayne, which is the body that decides what will be taught each year, course outlines, and everything else about your degree. I feel this a place that as your representative my voice can be best heard so I will work to reclaim this position.

Thirdly, being informed about what the people you elected are doing is of the utmost importance. I will build feedback and communication channels through social media and other outlets so that you know what I am working on, proposing, and attending meetings for.

My mandate is to help students become aware, involved and take the reins for their own education. I have the capability to achieve these goals and beat any challenge in my way.

Thank you!

Freddie Aziz
Faculty Representative, Haskayne School of Business

Hello Haskayne! My name is Ryan Wallace, and I am a third-year business student majoring in Marketing and minoring in Communications. During my time at the Haskayne School of Business, I have spent two years in an executive role with the Haskayne Students’ Association (HSA), and have been a part of the Students’ Union (SU) and other University organizations as a student at large. Being passionate about leadership, and enthusiastic about student advocacy, these past experiences have been essential in the development of this vision and will serve as a strong foundation for the projects and initiatives I hope to bring to fruition with your support.

Taking Care of Business – A Wellness Plan

- In the latest results from the National College Health Assessment, business students ranked significantly worse in multiple areas related to mental health compared to Alberta, Canada and the rest of the University. We need to work with the University of Calgary’s latest wellness plan and be active supporters of this initiative, offer insightful contributions, and improve the wellness of our entire business school together.

Streamline Student Funding

- We are extremely fortunate to have access to so many student-funding opportunities. By coordinating and strategically organizing these funds we can minimize confusion, and ensure all resources are being utilized fully each year.

Student Traditions – Haskayne Highlights

- U of C Kin Games; students within the faculty would create teams and would compete for a whole week in a variety of challenges, thus encouraging participation for the actual Kin Games team as well as enjoying the fun of competition.

In the past years I have worked collaboratively within the University to deliver new and exciting projects sought by business students. With your vote, I will continue to work hard and strategically implement my platform goals for Haskayne.

Thank you for your consideration!

Ryan Wallace
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Haskayne School of Business

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Faculty Representative - Kinesiology (continued)

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Mark Shearer
Faculty Representative, Law

I have sat on the 72nd and 73rd SLC and am excited for the opportunity to sit on the 74th. I know what the position requires, and know that I still have lots to contribute to the organization as well as to my faculty. I have constantly delivered for the students in my faculty in my time with the SU. During my tenure on the SLC I have organized new events for the Faculty, made sure teams took the correct steps to secure waivers, helped the SLS to maintain their club standing, seen new chairs brought into the Bennett Jones Law Library, and so much more. I am excited to see what one more year will bring.

Sagar Grewal
Faculty Representative, Kinesiology

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Mark Shearer
Faculty Representative, Law

Faculty Representative - Nursing

I’m Jessica, a third-year direct entry student, and I would love to be your SU representative. Over the past three years, I’ve served as co-chair of the Year One Nursing Council, am a yearly representative on UNS, and as student representative for the Undergraduate Policy Committee. My main mission is to advocate for students and help ensure the time you’ve spent with nursing is as rewarding as possible!

My platform is based on the following pillars:
1. Advocating for Students – I want students to feel supported and have the tools to be successful on-campus and in clinical placements
- Always Available: I constantly check my email, so you can get in touch with me right away!
- Working for Students: Subjectivity of clinical evaluation can be difficult to deal with; I want to help students work with the faculty and their NPIs to set themselves up for success
- Student Driven: I’m here to listen to your feedback, and will work to ensure that student interests are always clearly represented

2. Supporting Student Initiatives – I aim to increase exposure and support for student-run initiatives
- Peer Mentorship Committee: I’m looking to increase external funding and help further the program’s growth
- Undergraduate Nursing Society: I plan to work with UNS to re-sanction it with the SU and help reinstate a new executive team for the coming year

3. Opportunities for Students – I want to identify more clinical experiences, conferences, and research opportunities for students that are available and easily accessible
- Rural Skills Weekend: Keeping spots open specifically for U of C nursing students
- Research: I want to make it easier for students to get involved in nursing research by creating an open database that identifies current research opportunities within the faculty, as well as grants and available funding

Jessica Revington
Faculty Representative, Nursing
My campaign is focused on how to improve the life of a science student. Since I am going into my 5th year, I want to use my personal experiences to help me in serving and providing this faculty with much-needed improvement.

I strongly support the need of a student lounge for the Faculty of Science. Many other faculties have a lounge which is an excellent opportunity for social interaction, networking, studying, or relaxation. I will continue the process of developing the science lounge and see it to completion. In addition, I will hold consultations with students about additions to the lounge. This would determine the facility upgrades such as more study space, or coffee machines, etc., depending on student needs.

Expand upon the mental health services that are currently provided by the university while promoting the currently available services. Stress can reduce student morale and diverge student from gaining valuable life experiences. My goal is to help raise awareness as well as provide opportunities to reduce stress through volunteering, therapy strategies, and social activities. The goal is to reduce stress and anxiety making university a fun experience.

Offering more mentoring to science students for career planning. Many students myself included, are often confused about their future career path after graduation as grad-school or professional school seem to be the only options. This involves promoting Career Services offered by the university and opportunities to be mentored by past students. I agree with the principles of the Science Mentorship Program and my goal is to make it increasingly accessible to students. I want to increase the number of mentors and get staff or professors to dedicate their time as well. Furthermore, a speaker series with professionals from the intending job path of students would be a great mentorship idea.

Balraj Brar  
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Science

- Accountability. Keep track of the campaign platforms of the elected Student Legislative Council members, at the end of their term I will ask for an interview and go over which promises were delivered. I will make this information available to the public. I believe this will help students evaluate their Student’s Union representatives, be more informed of current issues, and make well-informed decisions in future elections.

- Colloquiums. Invite professors, Grad students and researchers from the faculty of Science to give monthly talks on their field of study. These colloquiums will be open to everyone and will be an opportunity for students to explore beyond their department and make connections around the faculty.

- Study spaces. Create more study spaces to ensure science students have easy access to quiet and productive workspaces where they can focus on their studies.

- Increased funding for academic clubs. These clubs are a great resource for science students, hosting numerous events bringing students and faculty together, they are also great places to study or hangout. Academic clubs are a vital part of the campus.

My name is Alex Chang and I am currently in the third year of my BSc majoring in physics. I spent much of my three years getting involved on campus, as an international student mentor with CISSA, volunteer for open house, convocation, orientation leader and peer helper. Participating on campus has helped improve many of my skills including, leadership, teamwork, communication and professionalism, being on such a big campus has also helped me realize the importance of respect for diversity and equality. I am confident that with my experience I can improve the university experience for science students and be your voice in the Student Legislative Council.

Alex Chang  
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Science

Hello science students! My name is Gul Rukh Hussaini. In my experience, science students aren’t shown how we fit into the world around us. As a Science Representative for the Students Union, I hope to open these doors for other science students like me, in order to gain a greater appreciation for ourselves and our field. I truly believe we can together improve our university experience through:

Quality Education

- Science classes are huge; many students are lost in the crowd and don’t have a chance to gain the full benefit in attending class. Students often help each other to gain a working understanding of the coursework.

I’d like to encourage this, despite how competitive the sciences can be.

Reaching Out

- While plenty of students have a clear goal set from the beginning, many students can get overwhelmed. Career fairs can work, but what we need is a more in-depth relationship between our students and their potential futures to make sure every student is truly valued.

Student Engagement

- By increasing student interaction, both with each other and with the greater campus, we can reduce the rates of stress and depression that normally afflict university students, especially those in the science fields. It also allows students to gain interpersonal and leadership skills that will help them in their later careers.

Science Lounge

- The Elbow Room will give science students a place to call their own and congregate. As it reaches completion, it’s incredibly important that science students have a voice in how their new space looks and feels, in order to bring out the best in the students that use it.

The science faculty has a lot to offer, and it will be a privilege to represent you.

Gul Hussaini  
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Science

How to Vote

VOTE ONLINE:
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- This will take you to the “My UofC website”;
- Enter your username and password;
- Click on Student Centre (may appear under academic/direct access);
- Click on the “Vote in the Students’ Union General Election” link;
- Follow the prompts on the voting web page.
- Remember to log off and sign out when finished.

VOTING STATIONS:
- Tuesday, March 1
- Wednesday, March 2
- Thursday, March 3

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., MacEwan Student Centre, Science Theatres, Professional Faculties and TFDL

All University of Calgary undergraduates registered in the Winter 2016 session are eligible to vote.

IMPORTANT: Voters should be aware that they have the right to a secret ballot. If you feel the secrecy of your ballot has been compromised in any way, please contact the Chief Returning Officers at elections@su.ucalgary.ca
Hi! My name is Tina Miller and I would be honored to serve as your future Faculty of Science Representative. I am a third year Biological Sciences student that is heavily engaged on campus as a UCalgarycares Project Assistant, a Peer Helper with Leadership and Student Engagement, and a committed member of several SU clubs. I strongly believe in the power of student voice, and together, we can work to create a unified science community.

Academic Support Network
- Create more opportunities for upper year students to share their summer research and independent research projects experiences
- Continued improvement and expansion of the Science Mentorship Program
- Advocate for increased PASS Sessions and Peer Mentoring opportunities in difficult upper year classes

Accessibility/Career Options
- Work with Career Services and the SSC to establish workshops focusing on the writing of research grant applications
- Expanding on existing co-op and internship opportunities to support on-the-job learning for science students

1. Career opportunities after finishing your BSc.
It can be an incredibly daunting task for a new Faculty of Science graduate to find employment. Many of them end-up working a job unrelated to their field of study because they are unaware of other career opportunities. I intend to communicate with science professionals from various fields to hold talks on prospective career opportunities or internship programs that can later serve as a base for finding a career upon graduation.

2. Improve and expand the science mentorship program.
Currently, the science mentorship program is ineffective. It requires more accountability from both sides (mentor and mentee) and oversight. To achieve this, I will implement mandatory bi-weekly meetings between both parties.

I also intend to expand the science mentorship program to connect graduate students with undergraduates. Undergraduates participating in this program would receive useful advice when preparing for the application process. Additionally, I would like to include a shadowing program in which a grad student takes on an undergrad for some amount of time in order for them to gain research/lab experience. Such experience is useful to have when applying for research grants or scholarships as they are very competitive.

1-3, vote CODY SOGGE for your Science Rep!

Thank you for your consideration and on March 1-3, vote CODY SOGGE for your Science Representative.
I have my ion your needs.

Zach Risdon
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Science

My name is Cody and I am a third year student studying astrophysics. I want your opinions to be heard as I work for all of you on our Students Union. If selected as your science rep, I will make it my goal to see an increase in the knowledge of the opportunities and services available to each of you.

1. Working for your future.
I don't know about you, but all too often I have wandered around various career fairs, putting myself on the line in order to find a job doing what I'm passionate about, only to hear that they either aren't looking for science students, or are basically hiring anybody, thus you won't gain any valuable experience working with them. If elected, I will immediately begin working on a career fair specifically for science students.

2. Greater unity within our department.
We all love science, yet all too often people don't tend to know or associate with those outside of their respective departments. If elected, I will work with each department's students association to organize various mixers that encompass all of us. I will organize a Science Gala that also allows students to network with their professors as well.

Lastly, I have found that the science department gets swept under the rug. Our study spaces within the science building are now home to a dedicated engineering study space, AND the Engineering Students Centre. Not only that, but the engineers also have another dedicated area within EEEL. If elected, I promise to make your voices heard by the Students Union, and the Administration.

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1. Supporting Department Societies and Engineering Clubs
As President of 2 clubs, I have had the opportunity to explore the different types of resources offered by the SU to student clubs. Unfortunately, these resources (worth thousands of dollars) are not being utilized to their full potential. If elected, I will work with ESS to establish a workshop for engineering clubs, teams and department societies designed to increase awareness of these under-utilized funds.

2. Looking out for Engineering student interests
Being an SU representative for Schulich School of Engineering is an important responsibility which involves taking action on behalf of engineering students, addressing and alleviating their concerns – all in a transparent manner. If elected, I will create a portal (facebook, twitter etc.) where current and future Enng Reps will be able to post updates from SU meetings and receive student feedback on the go. Talk about Advocacy, Accountability and Transparency.

3. More Professional Development Activities
While you study engineering and become a master of technical knowledge, it is also important to further your soft skills and grow your personal network. A crappy economy especially demands competence in skills that are most sought-after by employers, like public speaking and strong networking. If elected, I will work with ESS and the SSE to organize more career fairs, conferences, networking events, and public speaking workshops.

Questions regarding my platform? Feel free to contact me at cayachit@ucalgary.ca. Voting days are March 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and voting takes literally 2 min but YOUR VOTE will dictate policy for months to come!

Hi everyone, I'm Jennifer Le and I'm entering my final year of engineering. I want everyone to have the best experience they can in these 4 (or 5, or 6, etc.) years at the Schulich School of Engineering, and this is why I'm running to be your Student’s Union Engineering Representative. I plan to do the following:

1. Encourage International Study Abroad
- There are a number of international opportunities offered to engineering students, and a major problem is that students do not know about them or that there is funding available for these trips.
- Work to strengthen the relationship between the Engineering Undergrad Office and the CISSA office and their offerings of international study programs.

2. Improve Academic Support
- Research – Develop a database of research opportunities available for students. Many professors have fascinating projects that do not get exposed, and I aim to increase awareness of multidisciplinary research opportunities.
- Courses with high failure rates – I will advocate to explore alternatives that ensure students have fair access to succeed. These could be online make-up courses or supplemental exams, and I will work with the Dean and faculty to implement the most feasible option. I will work to determine where the gaps of understanding are between professors and students.

3. Promote Career Development
- In this uncertain economy, it is harder than ever for students to get jobs. I will act as a liaison to build stronger relationships between student organizations, the Internship Office, and Career Services to consolidate professional development resources.
- I will work with the Dean's office and faculty to ensure that engineers are positioned for future success.

Hey everyone, I'm Zareen! I'm in my second year of Chemical Engineering and would love to be your Engineering Faculty Representative on Students’ Union Student Legislative Council. Throughout my active involvement around campus in the last two years, I believe I can best advocate for the things that are missing or needs to be prioritized for the betterment of the students’ experience within the faculty.

Emphasis on a mentorship program
- Purpose is to connect senior level engineering students with 1st and 2nd years, or with transfers and international students to help them guide throughout the degree. Though mentors are already available through O-week, ELP or SLP and through many other events, many students don't know about these. Having a solid program within engineering with the help of Student Engagement Office will not only create connections between students but also help them succeed.

Continuous Opportunities
- By working closely with ESS I want to continue bringing more opportunities for engineering students. In addition to industrial/ student/prof mixers there should also be more cross-disciplinary collaborations, research opportunities, and most importantly a focus on more undergrad internship opportunities.

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Faculty Representative - Schulich School of Engineering

Taking Action, Getting Results.
My name is Chinmoy Ayachit and I'm a third year engineering student. Let me ‘cut to the chase’ and explain how YOU could benefit from having a bold and passionate representative like me. I’ll keep buzzwords to a minimum.

1. More Space for Students and Faculty Clubs
   - Emphasis on a mentorship program
     - Though mentors are already available, there is funding available for these trips.
     - Work to strengthen the relationship between the Engineering Undergrad Office and the CISSA office and their offerings of international study programs.

2. Continuous Opportunities
   - With the new building launching in 2016, I want to make sure that all the engineering clubs have enough resources and space that will allow them to work, hosts events and workshops regularly allowing engineering students to connect with the innovative ventures that are happening here on campus.

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VACANCIES

- Faculty Representative, Social Work (1)

Interested parties please contact zoe.abrahams2@ucalgary.ca for more information.
Faculty Representatives - Werklund School of Education

My name is Reem Ghaleb and I am a fourth-year concurrent Education and Science student. I hope to improve the university experience for my fellow education students through my platform:

1. Restructuring the program:
   a. Advocating for the reordering of courses to better prepare students for their field experience and systematizing the scheduling of assignment deadlines.
   b. Including a field experience or alternative for first year concurrent students to better understand the nature of the education program.
   c. Introducing opportunities for pre-service teachers to visit their partner schools during their day off to appreciate the school and classroom culture before the field experience begins.

2. Increasing professional development opportunities:
   a. Working with the ESA to increase the variety and frequency of professional development workshops and incorporate more flexible scheduling.
   b. Connecting with other organizations and alumni to host PD workshops to address practical strategies, classroom management, and other special topics.
   c. Introducing more opportunities for service learning to address the various interests of pre-service teachers.

3. Improve student experience:
   a. Advocating for education-specific scholarships and allowances for lesson planning.
   b. Engaging new concurrent students through a mentorship program with education students further in the program.
   c. Improving and increasing the amenities available in the Education Student Work Area.

It would be an honour to work to improve the experience of the amazing students in the Werklund School of Education!

Carson Reveen
Faculty Representative, Werklund School of Education

Faculty Representative - Werklund School of Education

My name is Carson Reveen and I want to be your representative for the Werklund School of Education for the 74th SLC. After a year as the First Year Liaison on the ESA, I’ve had the opportunity to listen to my peers and want to help positively impact the lives of Education students.

1. Advocate for the Restructuring of the Concurrent Program – The separation of the two Education years means that half of the cohort entering the first year will not graduate with their after-degree peers. The professional relationships and connections made are invaluable, and keeping the Education years together makes it easier to build off of prior knowledge rather than having a full year separate the courses. Restructuring the program to 3 years of the first degree followed by 2 years of Education ensures that the same education is being received and the cohort remains together.

2. Expanding Opportunities for Teachers Outside of Calgary – With province-wide certification as well as the British Columbia-Alberta Free Mobility Agreement, the opportunities for Werklund grads are endless. The implementation of a job fair with districts from Calgary as well as across Alberta and British Columbia will help graduates find jobs in a variety of places. I would also try to work with the faculty to explore the possibility of practicums outside of the Calgary area.

3. Expanding YLC-ESA Opportunities – The YLC and ESA provide students with an immersive, comprehensive student experience, and both enjoy a positive working relationship. Building off this relationship, I want to look into more partnerships between these distinct groups and their resources to provide more volunteer opportunities as well as strengthening the student voice on faculty committees.

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Carson Reveen
Faculty Representative, Werklund School of Education

As the University of Calgary Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Student’s Union representative I would report to the veterinary student body and represent their interests on the wider University of Calgary Student’s Union scale. Making students aware of upcoming SU events, and serving as the conduit between the students of the Faculty and their Students Union would be my main objectives as faculty representative. If elected, I would ensure all relevant SU information is promptly and effectively delivered to the student body. I have enjoyed my time on the 73rd Student’s Legislative Council, and am excited to seek re-election for this position.

Erik Burow
Candidate for Faculty Representative, Veterinary Medicine

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Other Representatives

Board of Governors Student at Large Representative

Shubir Shaikh  
Board of Governors Student at Large Representative

First of all, thank you for taking the time to be part of the student political process here at the University of Calgary. My name is Shubir Shaikh, it has truly been an honour to serve as one of the Arts Representative in the Student’s Union this past year. I want to carry over the skills, knowledge and experience from my term as an Arts Representative to the Board of Governors Student-At-Large position. The Board of Governors is the highest decision making body at the University of Calgary. I would like to discuss what I would bring to the Board of Governors position if elected. 

EXPERIENCE: I have a tremendous amount of experience on campus. I ran an Arts Representative campaign, I was appointed to the Arts Internationalization Committee, also to the Refugee Student Program, I have experience of being the President of a leading political club on campus, also the Vice-President of an academic club, and I held several executive positions in various clubs.

1. VISION: If elected, I will represent the students’ best interests from all faculties and all student groups on campus to the best of my ability. It is my belief that students should collaborate from all faculties, being vocal about student interests.

2. GOALS: 2016 is a big year for the University of Calgary as we gear up for the 50th anniversary. This celebration also means there will be large donations made to the university. I want to ensure that these donations are being prioritized based on students needs from all faculties. Secondly I will vote ‘No’ when it comes to increase in any fees for students including tuition and residence fees. I will advocate for more resources dedicated to mental health and physical disabilities. I will advocate for the West Campus Development to become student friendly.

3. MISSION: I will take advantage of all the resources available to me to improve students’ quality of education and student life on campus wherever possible, and represent you to the best of my ability.

Shubir Shaikh  
Board of Governors Student at Large Representative

Julie Le  
Candidate for Senate Student at Large Representative

Hello! I’m a 3rd year student doing a combined degree in Development Studies in the Arts and Biological Sciences in, well, the Sciences. I’ve had the honour of being one of your Science Representatives this past year, and I loved the experience! Now, I want to represent you in another manner: The Senate. The Senate connects the University with the community, and I believe it has so much potential to benefit students, so let me be your voice! I plan to focus on:

1. Developing AWARENESS among the student body about the Senate and what they do.
   - Many students aren’t aware of what the Senate does, and sometimes aren’t even aware that we have the Senate. Let me change that!

2. Ensure a STRONG STUDENT VOICE
   - I will attend SLC meetings and connect with students to ensure that I can provide relevant information from the students.
   - I will bring attention to the issues that matter to students, and promote recognition about student initiatives and achievements around the Calgary community.

3. CONNECT the Senate directly with students.
   - I will implement speaker series and networking events in order to develop a relationship between the student body and the senators.
   - I aspire to increase ways for senators to support students, such as through Senate Club Awards or funding social projects.
   - I will promote integration through invitations to large University events such as the Calgary Leaders Dinner or Relay for Life where community members can interact with students.

Thank you and I hope that you give me the chance to represent you once again.

Julie Le  
Candidate for Senate Student at Large Representative

Kyle Schole  
Candidate for Senate Student at Large Representative

Hello – my name is Kyle Schole. As an undergrad in International Relations and Political Science, I have enjoyed the privilege of working on Parliament Hill, as well as serving two terms on the SU’s Policy Development and Review Committee (PDCR).

I’m seeking election to the Senate, in order to work on some key areas:

1. A REFRESHING APPROACH
   You representatives should be in it for you – not for compensation and fancy dinners. That’s why I will refuse compensation, and voluntarily pay for expenses. I won’t miss meetings, and I won’t be invisible. I will provide regular updates about my work, and engage YOU in that process.

2. AFFORDABILITY
   I will NEVER approve unnecessary tuition or fee increase. I will also push to help ensure that availability of student aid better matches the cost realities facing students. I also want to lobby the SU to be more open with its budget and responsible in how it spends your money.

3. CLASSROOMS AND MENTAL HEALTH
   As UCalgary approaches its 50th birthday, our school is showing its age. Moreover, if we can afford Executive Suite renovations at Administration, we need to afford a quality environment containing modern and engaging classrooms, and world-class mental health resources.

   For any job, you want someone with experience. I will leverage my pre-existing connections and relationships in government and administration, in order to meaningfully represent you. In fact, I’ve already met with, and lobbied the Premier, before she became Premier. I’m confident in my ability to impress you – all I’m asking for is the chance.

   I’m asking for your vote and support on March 1st – 3rd. Until then I look forward to hearing from you!

Kyle Schole  
Candidate for Senate Student at Large Representative

Jonah Zankl  
Candidate for Senate Student at Large Representative

My name is Jonah Zankl and I want to be your Senate Representative. Inside the classroom, I am studying Applied Math and Economics. Outside the classroom, I have raised over $500,000 for the Solar Car Team, collaborated with National Geographic to promote technology, and shared my passion for science with over 15,000 Albertan students. I am passionate about representing the University of Calgary and seek to bridge the university with the larger community. This is why I want to run for Senate.

I have two goals in running for Senate Representative:

1. First, I seek to increase awareness of the Senate and its relevance to you. The Senate is a group of leaders interested in the university and its success. I plan to encourage Senators to attend club events, and conversely invite students to Senate-hosted events. The Senate brings them expertise that can contribute to building our community, and their real-world experience can be an asset to students. I want to create and host events in which you and Senators can converse and interact. The 50th anniversary is an opportunity to attract donors for scholarship programs. More students will benefit from funding support.

2. Secondly I will refuse compensation, and voluntarily pay for expenses. I won’t miss meetings, and I won’t be invisible. I will provide regular updates about my work, and engage YOU in that process.

The 50th anniversary brings me to my second goal: I want to foster campus and student spirit. This hallmark year is an opportunity for the community to reflect on past successes and future possibilities. I plan to involve Senators in events that showcase the university: Orientation, Grad Day, Convocation—these are milestone events in a university students’ career, and there is a place for the Senate to participate. The Senate itself also hosts events for students, and I hope to promote them to you.

Make your mark March 1-3 and vote Zankl!
ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 3rd
5:30 P.M.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION
THE STUDENTS’ UNION, THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held for the filling of the following offices:

- President .................................................. 1
- Vice President Academic .................................. 1
- Vice President Student Life .................................. 1
- Faculty Representatives, Schulich School of Engineering .................. 2
- Faculty Representatives, Science .................................. 3
- Faculty Representatives, Haskayne School of Business .................. 2
- Faculty Representatives, Faculties and TFDL ........................... 1
- Senator Student at Large .......................................... 2

Voting will take place on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd days of March 2016. Locations and hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 1 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., MacEwan Student Centre, Science Theatres
- Wednesday, March 2 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., MacEwan Student Centre, Science Theatres
- Thursday, March 3 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., MacEwan Student Centre, Science Theatres

Online voting will take place at myUofC Student Centre beginning at 9 a.m. on March 1 and closes at 4 p.m. on March 3, 2016. All University of Calgary undergraduate students registered in the Winter 2016 session are eligible to vote.

VOTING STATIONS:
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IMPORTANT: Voters should be aware that they have the right to a secret ballot. If you feel the secrecy of your ballot has been compromised in any way, please contact the Chief Returning Officers at elections@su.ucalgary.ca

For more information, visit www.su.ucalgary.ca/elections.

DATED at the University of Calgary in the City of Calgary, Province of Alberta, this 11th day of February, 2016.

Co-Chief Returning Officer: Nolan Hill
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NOTICE OF ACCLAMATION
In accordance with section 55 of the The Union Bylaw, the Chief Returning Officers declare the following persons elected to the position to which they were nominated:

- VP Academic ................................................. Alicia Lunz
- VP Operations and Finance ................................ Brandon Cave
- Faculty Representative, Arts .......................... Matt Abalos, Frank Finley, Peter Friedrichsen, Courtney LeBlanc
- Faculty Representative, Cumming School of Medicine .............. Sam Siranni, Steven Toor
- Faculty Representative, Law ............................ Mark Shearer
- Faculty Representative, Nursing ................................ Jessica Revington
- Faculty Representative, Veterinary Medicine .......................... Erik Burne
- Board of Governors, Student at Large ................................ Shubir Shaikh

VACANCIES
In accordance with section 54 of the The Union Bylaw, the Chief Returning Officers declare the following positions vacant:

- Faculty Representative, Social Work .................................. 1

Make Your Mark.
March 1-3, 2016
Vote online!
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