Job Description

Position title: Mental Health and Wellbeing Commissioner
Reports to: Vice President, Academic & University Affairs
Supervises: None
Employee status: Term, Appointed
Length of term: May 15, 2016 – April 30, 2017
Hours per week: 10
Compensation: Tier 1
Date revised: March 2016

Position Purpose:
The Mental Health and Wellbeing Commissioner supports the advocacy work of the Academic & University Affairs portfolio. The Commissioner is responsible for conducting research, writing reports, policy briefs and recommendations on issues pertaining to student mental health and wellbeing at UBC. This individual will be involved in initiatives with the university to better mental health resources, services and policy on campus, and consult students on mental health and wellbeing. The Commissioner will work collaboratively with the AMS Vice-President Academic and University Affairs, Student Senators, and the Mental Health Network.

This position is best suited to a candidate with significant self-motivation, strong research and writing skills, an interest in student mental health and wellbeing, and a desire to learn more about how the university works.

Duties and Responsibilities:
• Prepare reports on student mental health and wellbeing issues
• Engage in lobbying of the University under the direction of the VP Academic and University Affairs
• Make recommendations on student health and wellbeing issues to the Vice-President Academic and University Affairs
• Attend relevant University, AMS, and public meetings as requested
• Work with the AMS mission statement and values to operate a successful department
• Other duties as required

Qualifications and Experience:
• Must be a currently registered student at UBC Vancouver or one of its affiliated colleges
• An understanding of student mental health and wellbeing issues and the UBC context
• An understanding of how students can be impacted by university policy changes
• Strong communication skills
• Knowledge of current student mental health and wellbeing initiatives at the university an asset