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, 2015 - April 30, 2016
Hours per week: 10
Compensation: Tier 1
Date revised: April 2015

Position Purpose:
The Mental Health and Wellbeing Commissioner supports the lobbying work of the University Commission 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. The Commissioner will play an integral role in carrying out the goals and strategies identified in the UBC Mental Health Network Strategic Plan and will work collaboratively with the AMS Vice-President Academic and University Affairs and Chair of the UBC 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:
• Write research and policy briefs as requested by the Vice-President Academic and University Affairs
• Prepare reports on student mental health and wellbeing issues
• Aggregate research and news on student mental health
• 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 and the UBC Mental Health Network
• Attend relevant Mental Health Network, University, AMS, and public meetings as requested
• Serve as an officer of the University Commission
• Works 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
• A reasonable 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 report writing and communication skills
• Knowledge of current student mental health and wellbeing initiatives at the university would be an asset, but is not required