What is the Excellence Fund?

• Created in 2015 by the UBC Board of Governors
• Created after significant international tuition increases to propel UBC into the spotlight
• Goals of the Fund include:
  – Improved university recruitment and retention
  – Support of research development
  – Funding for one-time capital projects
  – Providing and excellent student experience
• The fund has grown over the past 3 years to almost $50 Million
• Projects are typically one time but can last upwards of 7 years
## AMS Priorities for the Future

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Support of Academic Excellence

• A Fund to support the Development and adoption of Open Educational Resources on department level ($750k, $750k)

• The continued expansion of jumpstart to include all first year undergraduate students including at an affordable rate ($1.1 Million)

• Development of modular units outside brock hall for wellness services and the creation of an integrated health centre in Vantage ($3.7 Million)
Career and Research Opportunities

• Partnership with LinkedIn Learning for access to career learning and data that identifies key gaps and opportunities for UBC ($250k, $250k)

• Expansion of research oriented work learn positions and investment in staff and evaluation of the program ($1.17 Million, $1.5 Million)

• Off-Campus Work Learn pilot program to complement Co-Op and to make opportunities more accessible ($200k, $200k)
Financial Assistance for Students

• Matching donations to the UBC Blue and Gold Campaign to support students, specifically for Indigenous students and to address accessibility ($2.5 Million)

• Expanding the current BC Youth in Care Policy to support all Canadian Youth in Care so they can attend UBC ($150k, $150k)

• Graduate student fellowships to support 4 year packages with 5th year matching from faculty to create a linkage between fellowship programs and faculty recruitment packages ($1.5 Million)
Next Steps

• Meet with UBC Stakeholders to support proposals and to make the final push for funding this budget cycle
• Publicize the AMS 2018 Report on the UBC Excellence Fund to let students and the community know what we are advocating for
• On a rolling basis create a draft of potential proposals to support for the 2019 report and include in VPAUA transition
AMS Student Nest

Moving???