

Office of the Vice President Academic and University Affairs

Report to Council, September 13, 2023

Undergraduate Research

- Proposal on undergraduate research has been endorsed by the Vice President Research and Innovation and currently working on partnering with the Vice President Students Office, Provost's Office and two Faculties to pilot the project.

Mental Health and Harm Reduction

- Working with the Student Health portfolio in the Vice President Students Office at UBC to investigate the potential of more fentanyl and drug testing sites on campus as well as campaigns and training related to Naloxone training and proactive mental health responses.

Budget

- In the preliminary stages of establishing AMS priorities for the UBC Budget consultation cycle which begins soon, consulting with various stakeholders.

Budget Brief

- Created and circulated UBC budget brief to all constituency Presidents and VP Academics and published on website, instagram post coming soon.

Open Education Resources (OERs)

- In discussions with the Provost's Office to secure the presentation of the OER Impact Award at the AMS OER Champions Night and looking at ways to improve this event/campaign at large.
- Working to improve the Textbook Broke Campaign by collaborating with the Provost's Office.

International Student Awards

- Working with the International Student Initiative to establish long term strategies in shaping International Student awards for the next several years.

University Policies

- Created brief digestible summaries of UBC policies relevant to students that have been published to simplify understandings of complex university policies.