

DISCOVERING STUDENTS IN **Governance**

*2018/19 Overview of Undergraduates in University and
Student Governance Roles at the University of Alberta*



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1. INTRODUCTION

The nature and importance of the role that student representatives have in the governance of the academy is one of the defining characteristics of University governance systems. As higher education evolves in its complexity to meet the needs of an increasingly complex, increasingly information-based society, it is critical for those members of the academy who participate in University governance activities to understand the complexities of the institution. As these institutions have evolved, so too has our understanding of the roles that students play in their governance.

In order to provide enhanced support to students participating in University governance, there must be some way of accounting for who those student participants are and where they fit into the University governance system as a whole. To that end, Discover Governance compiles a report of student governance seats at the University of Alberta annually.

It is our hope that aggregating information about undergraduate participation in University governance will allow us to better understand and support the work students do for the academy in this area. We also hope that this document will serve to stimulate collegial discussion about how the role that student representatives play in University governance can be better understood, supported, and enhanced.

Please note that this report is much more condensed than previous versions have been. A lot of work went into completing our initial survey of representative seats over a number of years. For detailed information on how we collected this information, what the data means, how it is being used to support student representation, and who was involved in collecting it, please see the 2016-2017 version of the DSIG Report. It contains the most up-to-date notes on research methodology, history of the report, and the recommendations that have come out of it.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the University of Alberta, undergraduate students are fully integrated into the University governance system, and are active participants at every level of that system. The Alberta *Post-Secondary Learning Act* enshrines student roles through the Students' Union and at the highest levels of University and faculty level governance. The University further establishes roles for students in the residence system, in the judiciary, and at the department and program levels of University governance. What follows in this document is a series of detailed summaries of the structure and number of student governance positions available at the University of Alberta.

Summary of Undergraduate Representation at the University of Alberta

Name of Body	<i>Ex officio</i> positions held by members of the Students' Union Executive Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives
Students' Union	5	46
Board of Governors	1	2
General Faculties Council (GFC)	3	45
GFC Standing Committees and the Council on Student Affairs	10	25
University Appeal Boards and Committees	0	15
Senate	1	4
Central Advisory and Administrative Committees	17	>21
Faculty Councils	0	104
Standing Committees of Faculty and School Councils	0	>134
Department Councils	0	58
Standing Committees of Department Councils	0	>43
Faculty Associations	0	186
Departmental Associations	0	420
Residence Associations	0	30
Total	37 positions held by 5 undergraduates	>1132

Figure 2-1 Total number of seats accorded to undergraduates in the University of Alberta and University of Alberta Students' Union governance systems

3. UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA STUDENTS' UNION

The University of Alberta Students' Union (SU) is divided into three branches. It has a legislative body, the Students' Council, a judicial body, the Discipline, Enforcement, and Interpretation Board, and it has an executive body, the Executive Committee. The legislation, undergraduate representation, and method of replenishment for each of these is outlined below.

Students' Council

The University of Alberta Students' Union is governed by its Students' Council, which oversees all decisions regarding the direction of the organization. Sitting on Council are the President and four Vice Presidents, the undergraduate Board of Governors representative, and elected faculty councilors, with seats assigned proportional to enrolment in University faculties. The Speaker and General Manager also sit on Council as non-voting members.

Undergraduate Representation on Students' Council, its Boards and Committees

Name of Body	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Students' Council	32 Councillors, 5 Executive, 1 Board of Governors Representative	Elected annually by the membership
Audit Committee	7	Elected annually by Council
Finance Committee	9	Elected annually by Council
Bylaw Committee	7	Elected annually by Council
Council Administration Committee (CAC)	5	Elected annually by Council
Nominating Committee	7	Elected annually by Council
Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee	7	Elected annually by Council
Policy Committee	9	Elected annually by Council
Total	89 positions held by 38 undergraduates	

Figure 3-1 Undergraduate Representation on Students' Union Students' Council and its Standing Committees

Executive Committee

Although the Executive Committee is technically a committee of council with no more standing than the other committees of council, it is unique in the respect that undergraduates on the executive are elected from any faculty for specific roles and they wield an extraordinary amount of institutional power in the Students' Union. It is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the Students' Union and coordinating its longer-term strategy.

Undergraduate Representation on the SU Executive Committee

Position	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
President	1	Elected annually by the membership
VP Operations and Finance	1	Elected annually by the membership
VP Academic	1	Elected annually by the membership
VP External	1	Elected annually by the membership
VP Student Life	1	Elected annually by the membership
Total	5	

Figure 3-2 Undergraduate Representation on the SU Executive Committee

Sub-Committees of the SU Executive

Undergraduate Representation on Sub-Committees of the SU Executive

Position	Number of Reps	Method of Appointment
Academic Relations Group	6-10	Appointment/Application
Total	6-10	

Figure 3-3 Undergraduate Representation on the SU Executive Sub-Committees

Academic Relations Group (ARG)

The Academic Relations Group meets bi-weekly and members discuss and advocate for improvements to teaching and learning on the University of Alberta campus. Members also represent the Vice-President Academic on a number of committees.

Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board (DIE Board)

DIE Board is the judicial branch of the Students' Union. It may hear complaints about contravention of SU legislation, interpret SU legislation, and hear appeals on rulings of the Chief Returning Officer. Meeting only as needed, tribunes interpret and enforce Students' Union bylaws.

Undergraduate Representation on the DIE Board

Position	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Chief Tribune	1	DIE Board Selection Committee nomination
Associate Chief Tribune	2	DIE Board Selection Committee nomination
Tribune	5-11	DIE Board Selection Committee nomination
Total	8-14	

Figure 3-4 Undergraduate Representation on the DIE Board

4. BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors (the Board) is the managing board of the University's bicameral governance structure.

There are seven Standing Committees established by the Board of Governors of the University of Alberta that operate on delegated authority from the Board.

Undergraduate Representation on the Board of Governors and its Committees

Name of Body	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Board of Governors	2	<i>Ex officio</i> (President); elected annually by the membership of the students' association (representative)
Board Audit Committee	0	N/A
Board Finance & Property Committee (BFPC)	1	Appointed by the Board from its undergraduate membership, upon consultation with those members and the Committee Chair
Board Human Resources & Compensation Committee (BHRCC)	0	N/A
Board Investment Committee	0	N/A
Board Learning & Discovery Committee (BLDC)	1	Appointed by the Board from its undergraduate membership, upon consultation with those members and the Committee Chair
Board Safety, Health & Environment Committee (BSHEC)	1	Appointed by the Board from its undergraduate membership, upon consultation with those members and the Committee Chair
Board University Relations Committee (BURC)	1	Appointed by the Board from its undergraduate membership, upon consultation with those members and the Committee Chair
Total	6 positions held by 2 undergraduates	

Figure 4-1 Undergraduate Representation on the Board and its Standing Committees

5. GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL & COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS

The General Faculties Council (GFC) is the academic half of the University's bicameral governance structure. There are eleven Standing Committees established by GFC.

The Council on Student Affairs advises on a variety of student affairs at the University of Alberta.

Undergraduate Representation on General Faculties Council and its Standing Committees

Name of Body	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
General Faculties Council (GFC)	46	4 <i>ex officio</i> members (SU President as Governor, Undergraduate Governor, SU VP Academic, SU VP Student Life), 42 elected-then-appointed
Council on Student Affairs (COSA)	10	9 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Student Life, representatives from CORA, IFC, Pan-Hellenic Council, Campus St. Jean, International Students, and Campus Recreation Advisory Committee), 1 elected by GFC
Academic Planning Committee (APC)	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU President), 1 appointed by Nominating Committee
Academic Standards Committee (ASC)	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic), 1 appointed by Nominating Committee
ASC Subcommittee on Standards (ASCSOS)	1	<i>Ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic)
Committee on the Learning Environment (CLE)	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic), 1 appointed by Nominating Committee
Campus Law Review Committee (CLRC)	2-3	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Student Life), 1-2 appointed by Nominating Committee
Executive Committee (Exec)	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic), 1 appointed by nominating committee
Facilities Development Committee (FDC)	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic), 1 appointed by Nominating Committee
Nominating Committee	2	1 <i>ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic), 1 appointed by GFC SC
Replenishment Committee	1	<i>Ex officio</i> (SU VP Academic)
Undergraduate Awards & Scholarship Committee (UASC)	2	Appointed by Nominating Committee
University Teaching Awards Committee (UTAC)	2	Appointed by Nominating Committee
Total	76-77	

Figure 5-1 Undergraduate representation on the GFC, COSA & Standing Committees

6. University Level Appeal Boards and Committees

GFC Academic Appeals Committee

The GFC Academic Appeals Committee has the authority to hear and determine appeals from faculty council decisions on applications, requests, or petitions by students and others.

University Appeal Board

The University Appeal Board has the authority to determine whether or not an offence has been committed under the Code of Student Behaviour and to confirm, vary or quash sanctions imposed.

Undergraduate Representation on University Level Appeal Boards and Committees

Name of Body	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
GFC Academic Appeals Committee (GFC AAC)	4	4 elected to panel by GFC.
University Appeal Board (UAB)	10	10 elected to panel by GFC.
GFC Practice Review Board (GFC PRB)	2	2 appointed from GFC, AAC, or UAB.
Total	16	

Figure 6-1 Undergraduate representation on the GFC, COSA & Standing Committees

7. The University of Alberta Senate

The University of Alberta Senate exists to inquire into any matter that might benefit the university and enhance its position in the community. The Senate also has several standing committees which act under delegated authority of the Senate.

Undergraduate Representation on the University Senate and its Committees

Name of Body	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Senate	4	<i>Ex officio</i> (Vice President External); selected by the Students' Union
Executive Committee	1	<i>Ex officio</i> (Vice President External)
Campus Engagement Committee	2	Selected from sitting student Senators
Honorary Degree Selection Committee	1	<i>Ex officio</i> (Vice President External)
Local Community Engagement Committee	2	Selected from sitting student Senators
Nominating Committee	0	N/A
Provincial and Northern Engagement Committee	1	Selected from sitting student Senators
Aboriginal Initiatives Working Group	0	N/A
Total	11	

Figure 7-1 Undergraduate representation on the University Senate and its Committees

8. Central Advisory and Administrative Committees

As the complexity of University governance activities has grown, the institution has evolved a number of standing advisory and administrative committees to augment its governance processes. These committees come under a wide variety of legislative frameworks, depending on whose authority they are convened under and what their respective terms of reference specify.

Most advisory and administrative committees of the University are chaired by a member of the senior administration, and have a mandate to provide recommendations to that administrator on a specific aspect of their portfolio. These committees also act as forums for informal discussion on proposals that will go through the Board of Governors or General Faculties Council.

Undergraduate Representation on University Advisory & Administrative Committees

Name of Body	Number of <i>Ex officio</i> Representatives	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Tuition Budget Advisory Committee (TBAC)	2: SU President & an SU Vice President	0	President selects SU Vice President
BAC Subcommittee on MNIFs (MBAC)	2: SU President & an SU Vice President	0	President selects SU Vice President
Academic Policy and Process Review Task Force	0	4	Selected by the SU
Alcohol Policy Review Committee (APRC)	2: SU VP (Student Life), Residence Halls Association President	0	N/A
Alumni Council	1: SU President	0	N/A
Art Acquisitions Committee	0	1	Appointed either by the SU or the Associate Director of Museums and Collections
Convocation Committee	1: SU VP (Academic)	0	N/A
Council on Aboriginal Initiatives	0	4 or more	1 undergraduate student at large appointed, 1 representative from the Aboriginal Students' Council, and no fewer than 2 students from existing and active Aboriginal initiatives
Festival of Teaching Steering Committee	1: SU VP (Academic)	0	N/A
Museums Policy and Planning Committee	0	1	Appointed by the Executive Director of Museums and Collections

Name of Body	Number of <i>Ex officio</i> Representatives	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
ONEcard Advisory Committee	1: SU VP (Student Life)	2	Selected by the SU
Residence Budget Advisory Committee (RBAC)	4: SU President, SU VP (Student Life), Augustana Students' Association President, Residence Halls Association President	0	N/A
Standing Advisory Council on International Engagement (SACIE)	0	2	Selected by the SU
United Way Campus Campaign	1: SU VP (External)	0	N/A
University Research Policy Committee (URPC)	1: SU VP (Academic)	1	Selected by SU
U-Pass Administration Committee	1: SU VP (Student Life)	0	N/A
YouAlberta Student Communicators Network	0	0	N/A
Total	17, shared by 7 people (5 SU Execs, ASA President, RHA President)	14 or more	

Figure 8-1 Undergraduate Representation on University Advisory & Administrative Committees

9. FACULTY COUNCILS

Faculty Councils are, broadly speaking, responsible for the day-to-day academic affairs of their respective faculty.

Standing Committees of Faculty Councils

The powers and duties of Faculty Council Standing Committees are delegated by their respective Faculty Council. The structure and activities of standing committees varies depending on the needs of the Faculty Council establishing them.

Of the faculties that we were able to collect information on for this report, the following faculties have no undergraduate representation on Faculty Council Standing Committees:

- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Business

Undergraduate Representation on Faculty Councils

Faculty or School	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences (ALES)	8	Faculty of ALES Undergraduate Association (FAUnA)	Election/Appointment
Arts	35	Organization of Arts and Interdisciplinary Students (OASIS)	Election/Appointment
Augustana	5	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	<i>Ex officio</i> /Appointment
Business	5	Business Students' Association (BSA)	<i>Ex officio</i> / Appointment
Education	2	Education Students' Association (ESA)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Engineering	3	Engineering Students' Society (ESS)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Law	6	Law Students' Association (LSA)	Election/Appointment
Medicine & Dentistry	10	Medical Students' Association (MSA; 6 seats), Dental Students' Association (DSA; 4 seats)	Appointment/ <i>Ex officio</i>
Native Studies	6	Native Studies Students' Association (NSSA) & Aboriginal Student Council	Appointment/ <i>Ex officio</i>
Nursing	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointment/ <i>Ex officio</i>
Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences	2	Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association (APSA)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation	6	Kinesiology Sport and Recreation Student Society (KSRSS)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Saint-Jean	3	l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUF SJ)	Appointed
Science	12	Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS)	Appointment/ <i>Ex officio</i>
Total	104		

Figure 9-1 Undergraduate Representation on University Advisory & Administrative Committees

Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Academic Coordinating Committee	4	Faculty of ALES	4 undergraduate students selected by ALES students
Academic Appeals Committee	4	Faculty of ALES Undergraduate Association (FAUnA)	4 students are selected, 1 serves on each appeal panel
Undergraduate Program Committees	1	Relevant Program Associations	VP Academic of Program Association or by election
Total	9		

Figure 9-2 Undergraduate Representation on ALES Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Arts

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Arts Executive Committee	4	Student Representatives of Arts Faculty Council	<i>Ex officio</i> (OASIS External); 3 elected
Academic Affairs Committee	5	Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)	Appointed
Arts Teaching & Learning Engagement Committee	3	Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)	Appointed
Faculty Academic & Grade Appeals Committee	3	Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)	Appointed
McCalla Professorship Committee	1	Arts Teaching and Learning Engagement Committee (ATLEC)	Selected
Undergraduate Teaching Awards Committee	3	Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS)	Appointed
Total	19		

Figure 9-3 Undergraduate Representation on Arts Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Augustana

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Academic Appeals Committee	4	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	Appointed
Annual Theme Committee	2	Annual Theme Committee	Application
Curriculum Committee	2	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	Appointed
Committee on the Learning Environment	2	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	Appointed
Research Committee	2	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	Appointed
Sustainability Committee	2	Dean of Augustana	Appointed (with consultation from ASA and academic staff)
Learning and Beyond Committee	2	Dean of Augustana	Appointed
Viking Athletics Advisory Council	2	<i>Data incomplete</i>	Appointed by invitation (athletes, one male and one female)
Building/Design Committee	1	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	Appointed
Aboriginal Engagement Committee	3	<i>Data incomplete</i>	Appointed by invitation
Total	22		

Figure 9-4 Undergraduate Representation on Augustana Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Education

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Academic Appeals Committee	8	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointed
Faculty Teaching Awards Committee	1	Education Students' Association (ESA)	<i>Ex officio</i> (ESA President)
H.T. Coutts Library Advisory Committee	1	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointed
Technology Advisory Board	1	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointed
Undergraduate Academic Affairs Council	3	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointed
Total	14		

Figure 9-5 Undergraduate Representation on Education Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Engineering

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Academic Planning Committee	1	Engineering Students' Society (ESS)	ESS President appoints a Vice-President
Admissions, Promotions, and Timetabling Committee	1	Engineering Students' Society (ESS)	ESS President Appoints a VP
Engineering Undergraduate Equipment Fund	1	Engineering Students' Society (ESS)	ESS President Appoints a VP
Total	3		

Figure 9-6 Undergraduate Representation on Engineering Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Law

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Admissions Committee	1	Student body	Election
Curriculum Committee	4	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Equality and Respect Committee	3	Law Faculty Council (LFC)	By acclamation, or election by LFC
Advisory Selection Committee	1	Law Students' Association (LSA)	Appointed
Student Appeals Committee	3	<i>Data incomplete</i>	Election or appointment
Visiting Speakers Committee	2	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Total	14		

Figure 9-7 Undergraduate Representation on Law Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Medical Sciences Library Committee	3	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	Appointed
Total	3		

Figure 9-8 Undergraduate Representation on Medicine and Dentistry Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Native Studies

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Academic Affairs Committee	1	Native Studies Students' Association (NSSA)	Appointed
Student Academic Appeals Committee	1	Native Studies Students' Association (NSSA)	Appointed
Total	2		

Figure 9-9 Undergraduate Representation on Native Studies Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Nursing

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Aboriginal Nursing Advisory Committee	1 (Aboriginal student)	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Academic Appeals Board	10	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Advisory Selections Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
e-Learning Services	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Faculty of Nursing Caucus	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Faculty of Nursing Executive Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Healthy Workplace Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
International Nursing Advisory Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
On-Site Undergraduate Curriculum Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Strategic Advisory Council	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Undergraduate Admissions Committee	1	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	Appointed
Total	22		

Figure 9-10 Undergraduate Representation on Nursing Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Admissions Committee	1	Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association (APSA)	Appointed
Curriculum Committee	2	Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association (APSA)	2 students from APSA
Assessment Committee	1	Dean of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	Appointed
Appeals Committee	1	Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association (APSA)	Appointed
IT Advisory Committee	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Total	5		

Figure 9-11 Undergraduate Representation on Pharmacy Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Programs Committee	1	Kinesiology Sport and Recreation Student Society (KSRSS)	<i>Ex officio</i> (President)
Executive Committee	1	Kinesiology Sport and Recreation Student Society (KSRSS)	<i>Ex officio</i> (President)
Total	2		

Figure 9-12 Undergraduate Representation on the Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation Faculty Standing Committees

Faculté Saint-Jean

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Comité des Appels	2	Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)	Appointed
Comité de la Bibliothèque Saint-Jean	2	Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)	Appointed
Comité de l'Enseignement et Apprentissage	1	Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)	Appointed
Comité Exécutif	1	Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)	Appointed
Comité de la Technologie et d'Innovation	1	Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)	Appointed
Total	7		

Figure 9-13 Undergraduate Representation on Faculté Saint-Jean Standing Committees

10. Department Councils

Department Councils are responsible for the day-to-day academic affairs in their respective department.

The following faculties have no department councils, primarily because of the small size of the faculty:

- Faculty of Native Studies
- Campus Saint-Jean
- Law
- Nursing
- Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation

Other faculties, like the School of Business, do not have departmental councils, but rather have program committees.

Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Department Councils

Name of Faculty	Number of Department Councils	Number of Undergraduate Representatives
Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences (ALES)	5	5
Arts	17	26
Augustana	4	4
Business, School of	4	0
Education	4	4
Engineering	4	9
Medicine and Dentistry	20	3
Science	7	12
Total	65	63

Figure 10-1 Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Department Councils

Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Agricultural Food and Nutritional Science	1	Faculty of ALES Student Services	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Forest Science and Management	2	ECSA and Forest Society	<i>Ex officio</i>
Human Ecology	2	Human Ecology Students' Assoc.	<i>Ex officio</i>
Total	5		

Figure 10-2 Undergraduate Representation on ALES Department Councils

Faculty of Arts

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Anthropology	2	University of Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates	Appointed
Art and Design	1	Student Design Association (SDA)	<i>Ex officio</i> (Director of SDA)
Drama	4	Student groups within the Department	Elected (1 for each student group)
East Asian Studies	1	Kampai Gambei Kombae (KGK)	<i>Ex officio</i> (KGK President or delegate)
Economics	2	Economics Students Association	Volunteer
English and Film Studies	2	English student body	Selected
Human Geography	2	Departmental Association	Volunteer
History and Classics	2	History & Classics Undergraduate Association	Appointed
Linguistics	1	Linguistics Club	<i>Ex officio</i>
Modern Languages and Cultural Studies	2	MLCS Faculty	Appointed
Music	1	Music Students Association	<i>Ex officio</i>
Political Science	2	Political Science Undergraduate Association	<i>Ex officio</i>
Psychology	1	Undergraduate Psychology Association	Appointed
Sociology	2	Sociology Undergraduate Student Association	Election
Women's Studies	1	Women's Studies Undergraduate Association	Volunteer
Total	26		

Figure 10-3 Undergraduate Representation on Arts Department Councils

Faculty of Augustana

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Fine Arts	1	Augustana Students' Association	Appointed
Humanities	1	Augustana Students' Association	Appointed
Science	1	Augustana Students' Association	Appointed
Social Sciences	1	Augustana Students' Association	Appointed
Total	4		

Figure 10-4 Undergraduate Representation on Augustana Faculty Standing Committees

Faculty of Business

Name of Program	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Accounting, Operations and Information Systems	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Finance and Statistical Analysis	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Marketing, Business Economics, and Law	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Strategic Management and Organization	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Total	<i>Unknown</i>		

Figure 10-5 Undergraduate Representation on Business Program Committees

Faculty of Education

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Educational Policy Studies	1	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointment
Educational Psychology	1	Education Students' Association or Secondary Education Students Assoc.	<i>Ex officio</i>
Elementary Education	1	Education Students' Association (ESA)	Appointment
Secondary Education	1	Secondary Education Students Assoc.	Appointment
Total	4		

Figure 10-6 Undergraduate Representation on Education Department Councils

Faculty of Engineering

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Chemical and Materials Engineering	2	Chemical Engineering and Materials Engineering Club	<i>Ex officio</i>
Civil and Environmental Engineering	3	Civil Engineering Club, Mining Club and Petroleum Club	<i>Ex officio</i>
Electrical and Computer Engineering	3	Computer Engineering Club, Electrical Engineering Club and Engineering Physics Club	<i>Ex officio</i>
Mechanical Engineering	1	Mechanical Engineering Club	<i>Ex officio</i>
Total	9		

Figure 10-7 Undergraduate Representation on Engineering Department Councils

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Dentistry and Dental Hygiene	3	Dental Students Association	<i>Ex officio</i>
Total	3		

Figure 10-8 Undergraduate Representation on Medicine and Dentistry Department Councils

Faculty of Science

Name of Department	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Biological Sciences	4	Interdepartmental Science Students' Society	Appointment
Chemistry	1	Chemistry Students Association	Appointment
Computing Science	1	Undergraduate Association of Computing Science	Appointment
Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	3	PS Warren Society and Human Geography Students Society	Election
Mathematical and Statistical Sciences	1	Mathematical Students Association	Appointment
Physics	1	Undergraduate Physics Society	<i>Ex officio</i>
Psychology	1	Undergraduate Psychology Association	Appointment
Total	12		

Figure 10-9 Undergraduate Representation on Faculty of Science Department Councils

Standing Committees of Department Councils

Some departments have created Standing Committees, to which they delegate some of their authority to carry out specific work of the Council. The structure and activities of standing committees varies depending on the needs of the Department Council establishing them.

Of the departments that we were able to collect information on for this report, the following faculties have no undergraduate representation on Department Council Standing Committees:

- Biological Sciences
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Earth and Atmospheric Science
- East Asian Studies
- Forest Science
- Mechanical Engineering
- Philosophy
- Psychology

Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Department Council Standing Committees

Name of Faculty	Number of Department Councils	Number of Undergraduate Representatives
Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences (ALES)	1	1
Arts	16	27
Augustana	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Business, School of	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Education	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Engineering	1	1
Medicine and Dentistry	5	12
Science	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Total	>23	>43

Figure 10-10 Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Department Council Standing Committees

Department of Anthropology

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Programs and Teaching Committee	2	Anthropology Council	Appointment
Total	2		

Figure 10-11 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Anthropology Standing Committees

Department of Dentistry

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Academic Standing Committee	4	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	Election
Admissions Committee	2	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	Appointed
Dentistry Curriculum Committee	1	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	Appointed
Dental Hygiene Curriculum Committee	1	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	Appointed
Student Affairs	4	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	<i>Ex officio</i> positions for DSA executive
Total	12		

Figure 10-12 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Dentistry Standing Committees

Department of Drama

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Student Advisory Group	8	Relevant Program	Election
Total	8		

Figure 10-13 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Drama Standing Committees

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Curriculum Committee	1	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Total	1		

Figure 10-14 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Standing Committees

Department of English and Film Studies

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Programs Committee	2	<i>Data incomplete</i>	<i>Data incomplete</i>
Total	2		

Figure 10-15 Undergraduate Representation on Department of English and Film Studies Standing Committees

Department of History and Classics

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Chair Selection/Review Committee	1	Representative Association	Election
Total	1		

Figure 10-16 Undergraduate Representation on Department of History and Classics Standing Committees

Department of Human Ecology

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Program Committee	1	Human Ecology Students' Association (HESA)	Nomination
Total	1		

Figure 10-17 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Human Ecology Standing Committees

Department of Modern Language and Cultural Studies

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Curriculum Committee	1	Faculty	Nomination/Suggestion
Events & Communications Committee	1	Faculty	Nomination/Suggestion
Total	2		

Figure 10-18 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Modern Language and Cultural Studies Standing Committees

Department of Music

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Committee	1	Music Students' Association (MSA)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Teaching and Learning Committee	1	Music Students' Association (MSA)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Curriculum Review and Redesign	1	Music Students' Association (MSA)	<i>Ex officio</i>
Total	3		

Figure 10-19 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Music Standing Committees

Department of Political Science

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergraduate Committee	3	Political Science Undergraduate Association (PSUA)	Appointed
Department Hiring Committee	1	Political Science Undergraduate Association (PSUA)	Appointed
Chair Selection/Review Committee	1	Political Science Undergraduate Association (PSUA)	Appointed
Communications Committee	1	Political Science Undergraduate Association (PSUA)	Appointed
Total	6		

Figure 10-20 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Political Science Standing Committees

Department of Sociology

Name of Standing Committee	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Appointing Body	Method of Appointment
Undergrad Teaching Committee	1	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Chair Selection Committee	1	<i>Data Incomplete</i>	<i>Data Incomplete</i>
Total	2		

Figure 10-21 Undergraduate Representation on Department of Sociology Standing Committees

11. Faculty Associations

Student Faculty Associations act under delegated authority from the Students' Union, and are mandated to provide advocacy, services, and community engagement in their respective faculties. They are also responsible for student appointments to Faculty Councils.

Undergraduate Representation on Student Faculty Associations

Faculty or School	Faculty Association	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences (ALES)	Faculty of ALES Undergraduate Association (FAUnA)	7	Election
Arts	Organization of Arts and Interdisciplinary Students (OASIS)	7	Election
Augustana	Augustana Students' Association (ASA)	5	Election
Business, School of	Business Students' Association (BSA)	7	Election
Education	Education Students' Association (ESA)	5	Election
Engineering	Engineering Students' Society (ESS)	6	Election
Law	Law Students' Association (LSA)	11	Election
Medicine & Dentistry	Medical Students' Association (MSA)	7	Election
Native Studies	Native Studies Students' Association (NSSA)	5	Election
Nursing	Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA)	6	Election
Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences	Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association (APSA)	9	Election
Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation	Kinesiology Sport and Recreation Student Society (KSRSS)	7	Election
Saint-Jean	l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUF SJ)	6	Election
Science	Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS)	6	Election
Total		94	

Figure 11-1 Undergraduate Representation on Student Faculty Associations

12. Departmental Associations

Student Departmental Associations act under delegated authority from the Students' Union and their respective Faculty Association, and are mandated to provide advocacy, services, and community engagement for their members. They are also responsible for student appointments to Department Councils.

Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Student Departmental Associations

Faculty	Number of Departmental Associations	Number of Undergraduate Representatives
Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences (ALES)	9	91
Arts	13	98
Business	9	59
Engineering	9	119
Medicine	2	>29
Science	13	89
Total	51	>485

Figure 12-1 Summary of Undergraduate Representation on Departmental Associations

Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Agriculture Food and Nutritional Science	Agriculture Club	13	Election
Forest Science and Management	Nutrition and Food Science Students' Association	17	Election
Alberta School of Forest Science and Management	Forestry Society	19	Election
	Environmental Conservation Students' Association (ECSA)	10	Election
Human Ecology	Human Ecology Students' Association (HESA)	7	Election
Other Clubs	Livestock Judging Club	3	Election
	Poultry Research Centre Student Club (PRCSC)	6	Election
	Collegiate 4-H	4	Election
	Pre-Veterinary Medicine and Animal Health Club (UAPVAHC)	12	Election
Total		91	

Figure 12-2 Undergraduate Representation on ALES Student Departmental Associations

Faculty of Arts

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Anthropology	University of Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates (UAAU)	5	Election
Art and Design	Visual Arts Student Association (VASA)	5	Election
Alberta School of Forest Science and Management	Student Design Association (SDA)	12	Election
East Asian Studies	East Asia Studies Undergraduate Students' Association (EASUSA)	6	Election
Economics	Economics Students' Association (ESA)	4	Election
English and Film Studies	English Undergraduate Students' Association (EUSA)	8	Election
	University of Alberta Film Society	4	Election
History and Classics	History and Classics Undergraduate Society (HCUS)	4	Election
Linguistics	Undergraduate Linguistics Club (Linguistics Club)	4	Election
Music	Music Students' Association (MSA)	9	Election
Philosophy	Undergraduate Philosophy Club (UPC)	5	Election
Political Science	Political Science Students' Association (PSUA)	8	Election
Psychology	Undergraduate Psychology Association (UPA)	9	Election
Sociology	Sociology Undergraduate Students' Association (SUSA)	7	Election
Women's and Gender Studies	Women's Studies Undergraduate Association (WSUA)	8	Election
Total		98	

Figure 12-3 Undergraduate Representation on Arts Student Departmental Associations

Faculty of Business

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Accounting, Operations, and Information Systems	University of Alberta Accounting Club (UAAC)	11	Election
	Management Information Systems Club (MISC)	6	Election
	Operations Management Club (OM)	6	Election
Finance and Statistical Analysis	Business Finance Club (BFA)	6	Election
Marketing, Business Economics, and Law	University of Alberta Marketing Association	9	Election
Strategic Management and Organization	Strategic Management Organization Club	6	Election
	University of Alberta Human Resource Management Association	9	Election
	University of Alberta Real Estate Club	6	Election
Total		59	

Figure 12-4 Undergraduate Representation on Business Student Departmental Associations

Faculty of Engineering

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Civil and Environmental Engineering & School of Mining and Petroleum Engineering	Civil and Environmental Engineering Club (CivE)	24	Election
	Mining Engineering Club (MinE)	10	Election
	Petroleum Engineering Club (PetE) ¹	11	Election
Electrical and Computer Engineering	Electrical Engineering Club (EE)	6	Election
	Computer Engineering Club (CompE)	18	Election
	Engineering Physics Club (EngPhys)	13	Election
Chemical and Materials Engineering	Chemical Engineering Students' Society (ChESS)	17	Election
	Materials Engineering Students' Society (MESS)	14	Election
Mechanical Engineering	Mechanical Engineering Club (MEC E)	22	Election
Total		119	

Figure 12-5 Undergraduate Representation on Engineering Student Departmental Associations

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Dentistry	Dental Students' Association (DSA)	28	Election
Medical Lab Science	Medical Lab Students' Association (MLSA)	>1	Election
Total		>29	

Figure 12-6 Undergraduate Representation on Medicine and Dentistry Student Departmental Associations

Faculty of Science

Name of Department	Name of Association(s)	Number of Undergraduate Representatives	Method of Appointment
Biological Sciences	Immunology and Infection Students' Association (IMINSA)	11	Election
	Molecular Biology Students' Association	6	Election
	Organization of Botany Students	7	Election
	Paleontological Society (UAPS)	8	Election
	Zoomaniacs	5	Election
Chemistry	Chemistry Students' Association (CSA)	10	Election
Computing Science	Undergraduate Association of Computer Science (UACS)	10	Election
Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	Atmospheric Science Students Group (ASSG)	5	Election
	Geography and Planning Students' Society	5	Election
	P.S. Warren Undergraduate Geological Society	13	Election
Mathematical and Statistical Sciences	Undergraduate Mathematical Sciences Society (MSS)	5	Election
Physics	Undergraduate Physics Society (UPS)	6	Election
Psychology	Undergraduate Psychology Association (UPA) ¹	9	Election
Total		90	

Figure 12-7 Undergraduate Representation on Science Student Departmental Associations

13. Residence Associations

Residence Associations act under delegated authority from the Students' Union and are mandated to provide advocacy, services, and community engagement for their members.

There are some residences that currently don't have a residence association. These include:

- Augustana Residence

Student Residence Associations

University Residence	Residence Association	Number of Representatives	Method of Appointment
East Campus Village	East Campus Students' Association	6	Elected
HUB	Hub Community Association (HCA)	6	Elected
International House	International House Community Council	15	Elected
Lister Hall	Lister Hall Students' Association (LHSA)	7	Elected
Michener Park	Michener Park Residents' Association (MPRA)	8	Elected
Newton Place	Newton Place Residents' Association (NPRA)	3	Elected
Résidence St. Jean	Association des Résidents de la Faculté Saint-Jean (ARFSJ)	6	Elected
Total		51	

Figure 13-1 Student Representation on Student Representative Associations

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