

Overview

Since March 2021, the UASU has fought against exceptional tuition increase (ETI) proposals for several University of Alberta undergraduate programs. This note lays out the estimated savings to students as of the time when all ETIs will have rolled out for all domestic students. (Under the *Tuition and Fees Regulation*, ETIs can only apply to incoming students, so an ETI would take four years to apply to all domestic students in a four-year program.)

The UASU has compared the first set of proposals (Winter 2021) and the second round (Fall 2021, concurrent with remedial consultation ordered by the Minister of Advanced Education). Advocacy-driven undergraduate student savings comprise two elements:

- Whether the University reduced the proposed tuition hike.
- Whether the second proposal allocated more of the increased tuition revenues toward student financial aid than the first proposal did.

If the Minister approves the proposals that the University has submitted, the UASU estimates that this year's student advocacy on the ETI file will, in the near future, save students \$2.74 million annually.

Program	Estimated advocacy-based student savings per year once fully implemented (2-5 years, depending on length of program)
BComm	\$0
BSc in Engineering	\$822,000
JD	\$826,000
PharmD	\$261,000
DDS and APDDS	\$821,000
BSc in Radiation Therapy	\$10,800
BSc in Medical Laboratory Science	\$0
TOTAL	\$2,740,800

BCom

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$0

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	22%	15%, rising to 20% in 2025-26
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	22% (<i>no change</i>)	15%, rising to 20% in 2025-26 (<i>no change</i>)

BSc in Engineering

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$822,000

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	24.5%	'Any excess revenue'
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	24.5% (<i>no change</i>)	15%

In its second proposal, the Faculty of Engineering committed 15% of new (ETI) revenue toward financial aid. The proposal estimated new revenue as \$5,481,877 in 2026-27, the year when the ETI will finally apply to all domestic Engineering students.

JD

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$826,000

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	45%	20%
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	29%	20% (<i>no change</i>)

Under the first proposal, by 2024-25, gross new (ETI) tuition revenue would have been approximately \$2,906,000, of which approximately \$581,256 would have been allocated to student financial aid.

Under the second proposal, gross new tuition revenue in 2024-25 would be \$1,873,195, of which \$374,639 would be allocated toward student financial aid.

The difference in gross tuition revenue is roughly \$1.032 million, before subtracting the difference in financial aid outlay.

PharmD

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$261,000

	Overall tuition increase	New revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	44%	\$250,000 (~10%)
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	44% (<i>no change</i>)	\$510,979 (20%)

DDS and APDDS

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$821,000

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	40%	15%
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	40% (DDS, <i>no major change</i>) 16.19% (APDDS)	\$337,307 (~20%)

Under the first proposal, after full implementation the DDS would have generated \$1,183,189/year and the APDDS would have generated roughly \$1,370,300/year. Of this revenue, roughly \$383,000 would have been allocated toward student aid each year.

Under the second proposal, after full implementation the DDS would generate \$1,142,271/year and the APDDS would generate \$544,264/year. Of this revenue, \$337,307 would be allocated toward student aid each year.

The difference in gross tuition revenue is roughly \$867,000, before subtracting the difference in financial aid outlay.

BSc in Radiation Therapy

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$10,800

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	20%	None, but credible commitment to explore future possibilities
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	20% (<i>no change</i>)	\$10,800 (20%)

BSc in Medical Laboratory Science

Final advocacy-based savings per year: \$0

	Overall tuition increase	Percent of new revenue allocated to financial aid
1st proposal (Winter 2021)	17%	20%
2nd proposal (Fall 2021)	17% (<i>no change</i>)	20% (<i>no change</i>)