

# 2021-22 Draft UASU Executive Goals



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## 2021-22 UASU Executive Team



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## Exec Goals:

### Values and Planning Ahead

- The annual Executive Goals is the executive team's formal plan of what we want to accomplish in our terms
- The Goals are based on integrating the Executive team's platforms, issues that have come up for the year, and the long-term goals of the UASU outlined in:
  - The [Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee Recommendations](#)
  - The [UASU Strategic Plan](#)



## 2021-22 Exec Goals: Major Priorities

- Advance Academic Advocacy and Student Leadership
- Foster an Equitable, Diverse, and Inclusive Campus
- Ensure Student Voices Shape the Future
- Lead the Charge on Sustainability

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## **Advance Academic Advocacy and Student Leadership**



1. Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Education
2. Support Student Leadership



## Strategic Plan/ARRC Alignment

### **Serving All Students:**

Connect students to academic and personal support services

### **Empowering our Students:**

Support and advocate for the creation of a charter of student rights

### **ARRC (Advocacy):**

The SU shall advocate for increased accessible and online learning for off-campus students.

### **Building our Relationships:**

Strengthen our credibility by sharing our research, best practices, and program knowledge.



# 1. Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Education

- 1.1:** Host the Be Book Smart fair
- 1.2:** Better publicize the Charter of Student Rights
- 1.3:** Finish eliminating the use of unjustified online proctoring
- 1.5:** Increase awareness of UASU microcredentials





# 1. Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Education

## 1.3:

Work to ***establish an opt-in pass/fail grading system*** for course electives to encourage students to explore interdisciplinary learning and provide compassionate grading for students in crisis.







# 1. Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Education

## 1.6:

Improve linguistic accessibility of appeals

## 1.7:

Address academic advising and transfer issues for CSJ

## 1.8:

Promote and advance undergraduate research





# 1. Improve Affordability and Accessibility of Education

## 1.9:

Work to implement university policies and procedures that protect students on experiential learning opportunities.





## 2. Support Student Leadership

### 2.1:

Support Student Representative Associations with education on Students' Union bylaws, political policies, and student group granting.

### 2.2:

Strengthen communication between the Students' Union and SRAs.





## 2. Support Student Leadership

### 2.3:

Begin the implementation of the GRTF recommendations

### 2.4:

Create a Student Representative Organization Summit





## The Year Ahead: Academics

August: Zero Textbook  
Cost Indicator pilot

October: Possible  
labour disruptions

January: Introduce policy  
proposals at GFC

September: Consult on  
pass/fail grading policy

September: Host the  
SRA Summit

March-June: Bring  
Pass/Fail grading policy  
to GFC

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# Foster an Inclusive, Equitable, and Diverse Campus

1. Through Spaces and Events
2. Through Advocacy





## Strategic Plan/ARRC Alignment

### **Serving All Students:**

Remove barriers to community involvement and participation in Students' Union programming.

### **Building our Relationships:**

Work in partnership with First Nations, Metis, and Inuit (FNMI) student representatives and communities.

### **ARRC (Advocacy):**

The SU shall advocate for increased access to childcare services at the U of A.

### **Building our Relationships:**

Develop stronger partnerships with cultural groups and the international student community.



## 1. Through Spaces and Events

### 1.1:

Create a more welcoming campus for students with dependents through the creation of a family lounge and ***long-term childcare strategy***

### 1.2:

Celebrate and acknowledge the diverse communities on our campus by ***recognizing Black History Month at the UASU***







## 1. Through Spaces and Events

### 2.4:

***Host Aboriginal Awareness Week in Winter 2022*** to create community for Indigenous and settler students and foster a space for education and conversations about decolonization

### 2.5:

Ensure a culturally supportive Peer Support Centre





## 2. Through Advocacy

### 2.1:

Correct pronoun use  
(through a campaign)

### 2.2:

Increased religious and  
prayer spaces

### 2.3:

Translation of Bear Tracks  
into French

### 2.4:

Campus-wide sexual assault prevention  
training

### 2.5:

First Responders to Sexual Assault and  
Abuse Training for RAs

### 2.6:

Improved resources and accessibility to  
support for survivors of sexual violence



## The Year Ahead: EDI on campus

September: Pronoun Campaign

Fall: Sexual violence prevention training advocacy

February: Black History Month



Fall: Advocating for family lounge and religious spaces

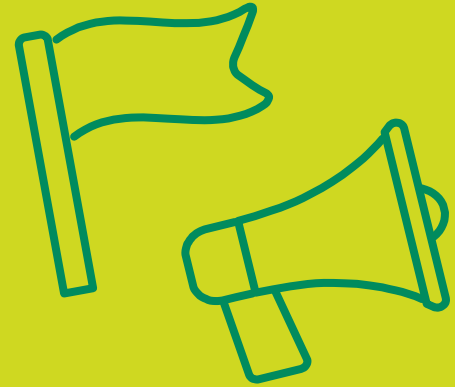
January: Aboriginal Awareness Week

April-May: Childcare strategy implementation

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## Ensure Student Voices Shape the Future

1. Strengthen our Movement
2. Secure Supports for Students from all Levels of Government





## Strategic Plan/ARRC Alignment

### **Serving All Students:**

Strengthen our collective voice by engaging students in advocacy

### **Building our Relationships:**

### **ARRC (Advocacy):**

The SU shall advocate for financial, housing, and job opportunities for Aboriginal students.

### **Building our Relationships:**

Develop stronger partnerships with cultural groups and the international student community.



## 1. Strengthen our Movement

### 1.1:

Effective Municipal and Federal  
Get Out the Vote campaigns

### 1.2:

Build strong relationships with  
other student organizations

### 1.3:

Improve grassroots student  
engagement in our advocacy





## 2. Secure Support for Students from All Levels of Government

### 2.1:

Advocate for the fair implementation of Alberta 2030 recommendations

### 2.2:

Study-to-stay visa nomination program

### 2.3:

Inflation cap on tuition increases





## 2. Secure Support for Students from All Levels of Government

### 2.4:

Defeat or substantially improve the University's exceptional tuition increase proposals to protect affordability, accessibility, and quality for future students







## 2. Secure Support for Students from All Levels of Government

### 2.4:

Ensure long-term advocacy for Francophone education by creating and passing a federal policy on official languages learning for the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations

### 2.5:

Work with the Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean to create an advocacy strategy that will ensure sustainable funding for Campus Saint-Jean





## The Year Ahead: External

August to October:  
Federal Election

October 18th:  
Municipal Election

November: CAUS  
Advocacy Week

Late February-Early  
March: Alberta Budget

September-October:  
Get Out the Vote  
campaign

October-November:  
Alberta 2030 PSLA  
amendments

Late February: CASA  
convention/lobby week

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# Lead the Charge on Sustainability

1. Responsible Environmental Stewardship
2. A Strong Fiscal Foundation for Future Students





## Strategic Plan/ARRC Alignment

### **Empowering our Students:**

Improve access to Students' Union spaces, resources, and expertise

### **Serving All Students:**

Grow the physical presence of the Students' Union.

### **ARRC (Advocacy):**

The SU shall increase the prevalence of Aboriginal art within its collection and create a mural in SUB.

### **Strengthening our Organization:**

Explore and pursue more revenue-generating opportunities.



## 2. Responsible Environmental and Social Stewardship

### 1.1:

Develop a long-term food security strategy

### 1.2:

SUB and events social and environmental sustainability projects

### 1.3:

Expand the free menstrual product initiative





## 2. A Strong Fiscal Foundation for Future Students

### 2.1:

Ensure strong future revenues and student life, as well as reduced energy use in SUB, by putting the Myer Horowitz Theatre renovation on track for completion in 2022

### 2.2:

Continue previous work on optimizing SUTV, the Handbook, and other services for revenue generation



## The Year Ahead: Sustainability

September: Myer Horowitz renovation starts

Fall: Perks rollout for on-campus semester

Winter: SUBMart bulk foods rollout



August-September: More free menstrual products

Fall: SUB Planning Committee work

Fall 2022: Myer Horowitz renovation completed



**Questions?**

**Comments?**