

Date: September 22, 2020 **To**: Students' Union Council

Re: President 2020/21 Report #11

Dear Council,

My role as President is incredibly challenging in these times. There seems to be always something to do, and with the large issues we are dealing with, this time in history poses a major junction in the future of post secondary education in Alberta, and specifically the function and wellbeing of the University of Alberta, and the student experience. The System Wide - Alberta 2030 Review, University of Alberta for Tomorrow, Academic Restructuring of once in a century scale, Administrative Restructuring with millions of dollars of savings, historic budget cuts, and dealing with COVID-19 with hundreds of new problems to find solutions to.

It is certainly not easy being in this position nor is it easy being in any student leadership position at this time. I want to take this time to say thank you to everyone who is serving their constituents in such incredible ways whether you are an Executive, a Students' Union Councillor, a Faculty Association Executive, Leader within a student group, Residence Association, or any other work you're doing - *thank you*. Largely students may never see the work that you do behind the scenes, but know that it is for a larger cause, a purpose beyond what you may understand right now. Students need you, and I appreciate what you do.

My office hours are by appointment, and I am happy to meet in person safely on campus if you are comfortable. Email me at president@uasu.ca and I would love to buy you a coffee from Daily Grind!

Yours Sincerely,

Joel Agarwal

University of Alberta Students' Union President