

VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC

THE PRESIDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REPRESENTING U OF A STUDENTS IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY AND FOR THE OVERALL POLICY AND OPERATIONAL DIRECTION OF THE STUDENTS' UNION.

JOHN BRAGA



I am a fourth year Honors Physics student at the University of Alberta who is also the Vice President Academic of the Lister Hall Students' Association and a Science Councilor on the SU's Students' Council.

Empowering Faculty Associations (FAs) must be a priority next year. I will extend the Council of Faculty Association's fall retreat so that FA executives can strengthen the skills and support networks necessary to advocate and program on behalf of their Faculty's students.

The end of term evaluations are currently under review; both their structure and content must change to more accurately capture student feedback. This year's midterm evaluation pilot project needs to be expanded to provide more students with a sense of active involvement in improving teaching quality.

Cooperation between the Students' Union and Bookstore have made us a nation leader in providing low cost high quality academic materials to students. At this summer's Canadian Roundtable on Academic Materials (CRAM) we will be providing national leadership on this issue; I am ready for that level of responsibility.

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BRYANT LUKES



As VP Academic I want there to be more student involvement in the SU. I want all of the political issues that students care about to be raised at SU meetings. I want students to make presentations at Student's Union meetings. I want students to give their input to SU Councillors.

I want the students to be able to stand up with a loud united voice when it comes to issues that affect all students like increases in rent and tuition. I want to create more opportunities for students to communicate directly to their professors by creating an environment not of fear but of learning.

I don't want to continue the tradition of judging the quality of teaching prematurely. I think that teacher evaluations five, ten to fifteen years in the future would be much more valuable than a week into the future.

I want to continue VP Dollansky's efforts to investigate how to make the campus greener. I want to follow the model of Harvard and actually make a serious effort to get solar power on campus.

VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL

THE VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC) DEALS WITH CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES THAT ARE ACADEMIC IN NATURE, INCLUDING THINGS LIKE TEACHING OF QUALITY, UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS, AND TEXTBOOK COSTS.

BEVERLY EASTHAM



This year I was elected to serve as an Arts Councillor for the Students' Union, and in the past I have worked at the Alberta Legislature as both a page and a tour guide. These experiences and my desire to serve the student body at the University of Alberta have motivated me to run for the position of VP External.

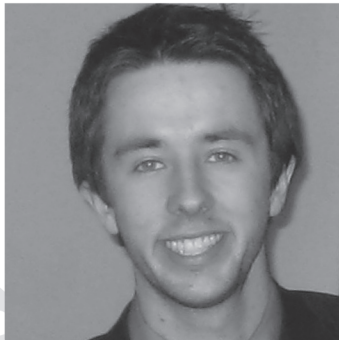
Alberta's future will be shaped by today's students. This is something all Albertans, especially our government, must realize. If Alberta wishes to preserve the prosperity to which we have become accustomed, investment in post-secondary education is critical. In order to achieve sustainable solutions, a dialogue regarding post-secondary education with the province must be restored.

As your VP External I will ensure that your concerns are addressed at all levels of government. I will advocate for affordable student housing, lobby for deferred maintenance funding and involve you—the student—in advocacy efforts. I am also committed to fostering cooperation within the executive committee to ensure that all advocacy efforts achieve their full potentials.

Thank you for your support, and remember to vote on March 5th and 6th.

For more information, visit vote-eastham.com or email info@vote-eastham.com.

MATT TRODDEN



My name is Matt Trodden, and I am a committed and active member of the university community where I am involved in different student groups and sporting teams.

I look forward to addressing some of the key issues that are facing the university undergrad population. Specific concerns include an affordable university experience where the quality of education at this institution is not sacrificed. However, I would like to see changes made in the process that the SU executive and the university community handle its advocacy matters – we need to team up with the administration because we are on the same side when it comes to dealing with the government.

We must present a united front on these issues and act as a cohesive unit in protest because then and only then will the government truly listen to us. We need to get people fired up to vote, and for starters, excited to vote in the upcoming provincial election. Students need to realise that their vote and their voice is the strongest thing they have, and its time to start using them to affect change. I am ready to fight hard for your concerns, but I need all of you out there ready to stand with me and say that it is time for a change when the time comes.