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FOR GSA PRESIDENT**

Arts students are seeing their programs reduced.
Schulich students feel unheard.
Werklund students need more opportunities.

These are only some of the challenges graduate students face.
Each Faculty is unique, and I want to hear from and represent ALL
of you.

Some Faculties have seen increases in the minimum student financial support - an important step forward. However, disparities remain in other faculties, and ensuring equitable funding for all students requires sustained advocacy.

Teaching assistantship (TA) provide essential professional experience and, for many students, critical financial support. However, some Faculties have TA position shortages and require equitable policies.

We must advocate to establish industry partnerships within every Faculty. Students who struggle to secure employment should have structured and accessible support.

New students arriving in Canada may face serious barriers in securing affordable accommodations. The University should facilitate more comprehensive, practical support.

When you receive a major award/scholarship, you should be able to fully benefit from it without a reduction in base funding support. Yet for many students, this is not the case, creating uncertainty and discouragement when applying.

Social connections are a vital part of the University experience. I will work to organize more events that foster friendship and collaboration both within and across departments/faculties.

If I have not spoken to you about your concerns, please email me EGOR.PURLATS@UCALGARY.CA or meet me in person.