

Summary

Since stepping into the role of Vice President Student Life in May 2025, my primary objective has been to transform student feedback into tangible campus experiences. While my first report focused on transition and foundational planning, this second report highlights the full-scale execution of our strategic vision during the busy Autumn term. My portfolio continues to focus on three core pillars: inclusive event programming, proactive student engagement, and policy advocacy that reflects the modern student experience.

The period from August to December was characterized by a concerted effort to support our diverse student demographics, including international students, the 2SLGBTQIAP+ community, and student parents. By introducing more family-friendly excursions, such as our trips to Calaway Park and Drumheller, we have expanded the scope of "Student Life" to be more inclusive of those with dependents. Furthermore, we have prioritized mental health and wellness through creative outlets like our "Crochet for Calmness" and "Vision Board" socials, ensuring that our calendar offers a balance of high-energy social interaction and meaningful restorative space.

The events listed below are the result of collaborative efforts across our subcommittees and partner organizations. They are a direct response to the questions, interests, and needs you have voiced since May. As we move into the next phase of the academic year, I remain committed to being your primary point of contact for support and collaboration. I invite you to review our progress and reach out as we continue to build a vibrant, supportive campus culture together.

Events

Events	Date	Notes
Calgary Pride	Aug 31	Organized by U of C & GSA ²
Campus Expo/GSA Open House	Sept 4	
Speed Friending for International Students	Sept 25	Organized by NISS and included lunch
2SLGBTQIAP+ Book Club	Oct 15	Organized by GSA ²
Crochet for Calmness: Workshop	Oct 17	Organized by MHWS to Relax & Recharge
Vox & Verse	Oct 22	Organized by MHWS
Movie Night	Oct 22	Organized by Events Subcommittee (ES)
Pumpkins After Dark	Oct 24	Organized by Events Subcommittee (ES)
Queer-O-Ween	Oct 29	Organized by GSA ²
Halloween Movie Night & Costume Contest	Oct 29	Organized by EDIA
Transgender Mental Health Panel	Nov 10	Organized by GSA ²
Drumheller Day Trip	Nov 12	Collaboration with ISS.

Family Fun Day	Nov 13	Organized by MHWS
Transgender Day of Remembrance	Nov 20	Organized by GSA ²
Chamber Concert	Nov 24	Organized by MHWS
Chapter and Cause: A Book Club	Nov 25	Organized by EDIA
Quali-Tea Time	Nov 27	Organized by GSA ²
Ice-Skating 101	Nov 28	Organized by NISS
DIY Candle Tray Decoration	Dec 3	Organized by Events Subcommittee (ES)
Holi-Gay	Dec 9	Organized by GSA ²
Cookie Decoration and Tea	Dec 12	Organized by Events Subcommittee (ES)
Vision Board Social	Dec 15	Organized by MHWS
Winter Craft Night	Dec 15	Organized by EDIA
Holiday Party & Gingerbread House	Dec 17	Organized by NISS; included Santa Visit

Meetings:

Key Engagements & Committee Representation

- **Executive Leadership:** Conduct bi-weekly board meetings with the GSA Executive Team and monthly GSA Townhalls to ensure transparent communication with membership.
- **Senior Administration:** Participate in quarterly strategic meetings with the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS) to discuss graduate student interests.
- **International Student Support:** Maintain monthly consultations with International Student Services (ISS) to address the unique needs of our global student body.
- **Student Experience & Events:** Facilitate monthly meetings with the Student Experience and Events Committee (SEEC) to lead and oversee campus programming, including the following subcommittees: Mental Health and Wellness (MHWS), Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (EDIA), Events (ES), Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA²) & New International Students (NISS).
- **Health & Wellness Advocacy:** Represent student interests on the CMHWS Advisory Council and the Substance Use Working Group.
- **Campus Operations & Policy:** Engage in targeted meetings with Ancillary Services and the Office of Institutional Commitment to improve campus resources.

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- **Academic Representation:** Attend Foothills Graduate Association (FGA) Council meetings to maintain strong ties with departmental student leaders.
 - **Direct Support:** Conduct ongoing, as-needed meetings with individual students and campus resource groups to provide immediate support and collaboration.