

UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE STUDENTS' UNION



YEAR IN REVIEW
2018-2019



University of Lethbridge Students' Union

The General Assembly

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BACK TO FRONT

(left to right)

(top): Andrew Gammack, Jonathan Davidson.

(2nd from top): Jessica Jones, Connor Morand, Daan Smit.

(3rd from top): Victoria Schindler, Ethan Pullan, Bailey Harray, Kierian Turner, Holly Kletke, Jacqueline Roth.

(front): Imogen Pohl, Laura Bryan, Shelby Quinn-Ost, Joy Anugom Oluchi, Jonathan Diaz.

MISSING

Benjamin Beland, Jordan Miles, Leila Methot, Maya Many Grey Horses, Gareth Jones.

A Year in Review of 2018-2019

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Imogen Pohl

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Daan Smit

Sponsorship list to the ULSU, sponsorship from the ULSU, scholarships & bursaries breakdown.

Bailey Harray

How we began the year

Jordan Miles

Arts & Science Report

Connor Morand

Arts & Science Report

Maya Many Grey Horses

FNMI Report

Shelby Quinn-Ost

Education Report

Joy Anugom Oluchi

International Student Report

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Introduction

The Beginning

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The 2018-2019 year has been a monumental one for the University of Lethbridge Students' Union. It is my hope that this Year in Review, compiled carefully by my wonderful team of Executive Council and General Assembly members, will help to shed light on many of the activities and successes that we have had over the past year. I will give a brief summary here.

We had a very big year in regards to our external advocacy. In October, the Government of Alberta passed Bill 19. This bill legislated tuition fees meaning that students now get to have a say in the fees they pay at post secondary institutions. Since the 2019 Alberta Election occurred during our last month in office, the ULSU ran a Get Out the Vote campaign in order to encourage students to engage in our democracy.

Furthermore, the ULSU had some big wins regarding our events. For the first time ever, we ran a campus-wide scavenger hunt aimed at helping first-year students

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better integrate themselves into the U of L community.

Our FreshFest was, in my personal opinion, one of the better ones I have seen as we had huge headliners such as MAX and Jocelyn Alice. The crowd was infectious, and students came out in droves. This year, we also took small, meaningful steps in terms of our on-campus relationships. We took the time to really engage with the University so that a better working relationship was created for all. Our staff members and General Assembly members have had a large part in not only this, but every success throughout the year: nothing would be possible without the mountain of people supporting us. We built a strong foundation of success and growth this past year, and I cannot wait to see what our successors build upon it. *Laura Bryan - President*



President
Laura Bryan



Executive Council
Jessica Jones, Daan Smit, Laura Bryan,
Victoria Schindler, Imogen Pohl



Changeover Retreat 2018

Shelby Quinn-Ost, Bailey Harray, Victoria Schindler, Joy Anugom Oluchi, Jon Davidson, Laura Bryan, Lelia Methot, Daan Smit, Ben Beland, Jessica Jones, Ethan Pullan, Imogen Pohl, Jon Diaz

FIRST-YEAR LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Whenever anyone asks me how my first year of university went, I find myself at a loss for words. It is difficult to sum up the first year experience in just a few sentences. But, on the outside of the library building of the University of Lethbridge, there is a Francisco de Goya quote that reads; "I am still learning". I believe there is no better quote to sum up the first year university experience. It is generally understood that students come to university to learn the curriculum and in the end, will receive a degree. But the first year experience at the UofL is so much more than that. In first year, you don't just learn the curriculum; you learn people's names and their stories, you learn new skills, and you learn about yourself. Most importantly, you learn that the university experience has so much more to offer than just a degree. I know that this is the case for many of my first year peers. I also know that first year students come in all different varieties, and so this year, I wanted to bring us together as a community of first year students. I created a "First Year" facebook page for incoming and current first year students to join, to find friends and build community at the UofL. I also had many meetings with Associate Dean of Arts and Science, Harold Jansen, to offer a student perspective on first year retention at the UofL. I have

also created a "First Year" yearbook initiative, where any student of the UofL can submit photos and memories from their first year of university, to be compiled into an online interactive yearbook that will be released for the summer months. Overall, I know that no one's first year university experience is the same, but in the end, we are all experiencing our crazy first year of university together. *Holly Kletke - 1st Year Student Rep, Bachelor of Music/ Bachelor of Education*

U OF L RELATIONS

Keeping a good relationship with the U of L administration is key to the Students' Union success. Without having the U of L's support, we would not be able to run events like we do or create the value for the students as we have in the past couple years. This year we have been able to continue this strong relationship. We have met with many departments to ensure progress in the student experience. Kathleen Massey has been instrumental in this aspect and we couldn't be more grateful to have her as the VP - Student Affairs at the University of Lethbridge. With her support, we have been able to make the university a safer place, the new sexual assault policy is just one example of that. *Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance*

Student Council & Staff

General Assembly of 2018-2019

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Laura Bryan
President



Imogen Pohl
VP Academic



Daan Smit
VP Operations & Finance



Jessica Jones
VP Student Affairs



Victoria Schindler
VP External



Holly Kletke
1st Year Student Rep



Jonathan Davidson
Arts & Science Rep
(May - March)



Ethan Pullan
Arts & Science Rep



Jordan Miles
Arts & Science Rep



Connor Morand
Arts & Science Rep



Bailey Harray
Arts & Science Rep



Benjamin Beland
Arts & Science Rep



Maya Many Grey Horses
FNMI Rep



Jonathan Diaz
Residence Rep



Shelby Quinn-Ost
Education Rep



Kierian Turner
Fine Arts Rep



Andrew Gammack
Management Rep
(November - April)



Jacqueline Roth
Health Sciences Rep



Joy Anugom Oluchi
International Student Rep



Gareth Jones
Calgary Campus Rep



Michael Kawchuk
General Assembly Chair

Leila Methot
Management Rep
(May - Oct)

NEW STAFF



Nicole Dyck
Bookkeeper

I joined ULSU in June 2018, and I feel so fortunate and grateful to be part of this amazing team. I graduated in 2015 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree Accounting option, and I have over six years of accounting experience. I was born in a little German colony in southern Brazil, where I grew up and later met my husband. Together, we moved to Canada in 2008. I think of myself as a very friendly, caring and welcoming person, and trust to be a woman of integrity and professionalism. Outside of work, I love to spend time with my family. I have two little boys who love outside activities such as walking, biking, and swimming.

PERMANENT STAFF POSITIONS

General Manager
Cheri Pokarney

Bookkeeper
Nicole Dyck

Operations Coordinator
Tracy Merrifield

Executive Assistant
Susan Curtis

Administrative Assistant
Maiko Ogita

Communications Coordinator
Garrett McGowan

Health Plan Administrator/Rockerman's Manager
Shelley Tuff

Bar & Events Manager
Riley Miller

Kitchen & Catering Manager
Warren McGinnis

Hello! I am Garrett McGowan, a graduate from the Digital Communications and Media program at Lethbridge College (You read that right, I'm from the college). I started working here as the Communications Coordinator for the University of Lethbridge Students' Union in July 2018. I have had a great experience working here and the energy I see from the student community has made my career very enjoyable. I look forward to enhancing student engagement at the University of Lethbridge Students' Union in the years to follow!



Garrett McGowan
Communications Coordinator



Warren McGinnis
Kitchen & Catering Manager

Hi everyone! It's great to be part of the Students' Union team. I've been on campus since 2012 when I enrolled in the Arts & Science program, majoring in BioChem, I was hired as a line cook in the Zoo and later on became one of the Zoo's bartenders. During that time I was also being trained in the catering field, and was promoted to the position of Kitchen and Catering Manager in June of 2018. I look forward to serving and getting to know many more members of the campus community.

PART-TIME ANNUAL STUDENT POSITIONS

Club Coordinator
Ryan Munn

Social Media Coordinator
Kaleigh Watson

Policy Analyst
Storm Liversuch

Volunteer Coordinator
Kate Potts

Hey there, thanks for taking the time to look through our year in review! My name is Riley and I am the ULSU Bar & Events Manager. My primary focus is front of house operations for the campus bar, The Zoo. Likewise, I help coordinate a variety of ULSU run events, from open mic's to Fresh Fest. You can catch me running around the bar at any given moment, serving customers, promoting specials, or setting up for special events. If you have any awesome ideas you'd like to see happen on campus, please flag me down! I'd love to hear them.



Riley Miller
Bar & Events Manager

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Notable ULSU Committee Activity

ACTIVE ULSU COMMITTEE LIST

1. Fresh Fest Committee
2. Legislative Review Committee
3. Student Engagement Committee
4. Zoo Management Liaison Committee
5. Awards Committee
6. Elections Committee
7. Transition Committee
8. Changeover Dinner Committee
9. Hiring Committee
10. Event Planning Committee
11. Advocacy Advisory Committee
12. Executive Accountability Committee
13. Health and Dental Appeals Committee
14. Full-time Employee Review Committee
15. General Manager Review Committee
16. Budget Committee

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Legislative Review Committee has decided to improve the ULSU's Operations Manual on multiple fronts. It is the Students' Union mandate by the Post-Secondary Learning Act to be an entity voicing the students' best interests and concerns to the University and the public. In order for this entity to function, the Students' Union is structured by its constitution, bylaws, and policies.

The constitution is like the bones that provide the structure for the Students' Union to exist. The bylaws are like the muscles that make the entity move and be functional. Policies are like the skin protecting and enhancing the body's functionality.

Since a constitution can only be changed by referendum, it should be as barebones as possible, to avoid unnecessary complexities. We started with comparing our constitution with other Students' Unions in the province. We quickly realized that our current constitution is too dense and has to be amended to be more effective.

The LRC moved many articles from the constitution to the bylaws to make the Operations Manual more robust. This prevents a gap in legislation and enhances the agility for challenging times that might arise in the future. On March 8th, the students voted on the amendments in the constitution, of the 1,331 students that voted, 87% voted in favour. In addition, the amendments in the bylaws were also passed by the General Assembly. Although the Operations Manual is not perfect yet, we have made some big strides this year. *Daan Smit - Operations & Finance*



Executive Council

Victoria Schindler, Jessica Jones, Daan Smit, Imogen Pohl, Laura Bryan



CAUS

*President Laura Bryan, Lethbridge MP
Rachael Harder, VP External
Victoria Schindler.*



CAUS FALL ADVO DAYS

*CAUS delegates with the Minister of
Advanced Education, Marlin Schmidt*



CAUS - SPRING 2018

CAUS with Premier Rachel Notley

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CAUS REPORT

The Council of Alberta University Students had a really strong year. After waiting 4 years for the Provincial government's tuition review, we finally saw some new legislation drop in the form of Bill 19: An Act to Improve Accessibility and Affordability of Post-Secondary Education. Within this Bill, we saw regulation of domestic tuition, more mandated student input in both tuition and fees, and some governance changes to the Board of Governors for MacEwan and Mount Royal. CAUS celebrated this win as we have been pushing for legislation on tuition for years; however, the work is not done and we continue to push

for asks that were not addressed. For the ULSU, one of the most substantial wins of the year came out of receiving lights-on funding for the destination project. All year, we worked tirelessly to ensure we were being heard by the Ministry of Advanced Education regarding budgetary restrictions as they pertain to the new Science and Academic Building. After months of advocating, the University received lights-on funding in February for \$3 million over 2 years. Beyond this some of the key points we advocated included: Governance at the Board of Governors level, keeping mental health supports funded and on-campus, institutional funding for new and old buildings, ensuring post-secondary is affordable, and pushing for greater student employment options.

CAUS hired a new Executive Director in 2019 named Jon Mastel. Jon will be integral to the organization for the foreseeable future. The political landscape in Alberta is about to change, and student leaders from across the province should be ready to meet new faces and introduce CAUS to a new group of MLAs. *Victoria Schindler - VP External*

CASA REPORT

The ULSU's advocacy on the federal side of things had a really great year. VP External, Victoria Schindler, was elected to serve on this year's Board of Directors as the Director of Policy. President, Laura Bryan, also sat on the Governance and Internal Review Committee. CASA kicked its year off by welcoming new Executive Director, Manjeet Birk, to the organization. CASA participated in over 145 meetings on Parliament Hill in November 2018 – one of which included a meeting with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. We took 6 asks to the hill which included topics such as: Co-ops and internships for international students, helping international students navigate the immigration system, 100% work integrated learning, preventing sexual violence, putting research dollars into students hands, and financial aid for grads. CASA also introduced its first Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion strategy at AGM 2019, which

includes a pilot program aimed at ensuring indigenous students are fairly represented at CASA. Conestoga Students Inc. and Camosun College Student Society joined CASA this year which is incredibly exciting. The ULSU is so proud to be a member of CASA. CASA proves year after year that the voice of students at the federal level matter, and they are always looking for innovative ways to carry forward.

Victoria Schindler - VP External

MEET & GREET WITH PREMIER NOTLEY

The ULSU Executive Council was invited by the U of L President's office to a meet and greet with Premier Notley. We had a conversation with the Premier, where we thanked her for the mental health funding and talked to her about some of our initiatives on campus. During the meeting, the Premier talked about the funding framework review, the tuition review, and mental health funding.

Victoria Schindler - VP External

TALKING TRANSPORTATION FORUM

Minister of Transportation, Brian Mason, was in Lethbridge in May 2018 to discuss transportation. This meeting was hosted by Lethbridge-East MLA, Maria Fitzpatrick. I attended this meeting because with the recently passed UPass Referendum, we wanted to ensure that the Provincial government was aware of our struggles with adequate transit options within the City of Lethbridge. While the Minister wasn't exactly receptive to what I was saying, we did see some important changes come from Lethbridge Transit in the ensuing months. We saw the frequency of route 32 increase during peak morning hours to ensure students in West Lethbridge were getting to school quicker. We are thankful to the City of Lethbridge for responding to student demand and concern and treating students like a stakeholder in Lethbridge Transit. *Victoria Schindler - VP External*

External

CITY OF LETHBRIDGE CANNABIS FORUM

As the legalization of cannabis approached, the City of Lethbridge hosted a forum to discuss what would be happening at the provincial level, how stores would be operated within city limits, and the regulations that would be in place within the municipality. We saw the legalization of cannabis across Canada on October 17, 2018. The City of Lethbridge put regulations for consumption within the city in place – you cannot smoke cannabis on any school, hospital, or child care property and you cannot smoke within 5 metres of most outdoor facilities or doors. The regulations are in line with local tobacco consumption laws, for the most part. The University of Lethbridge worked with members of the university community to designate 5 areas on campus where cannabis can be consumed. We are thankful that the university took a proactive approach to harm-reduction, rather than banning consumption on campus.

Victoria Schindler - VP External

POLITICAL MEETINGS

Victoria:

- o UCP Caucus
- o Speaker Wanner
- o Bob Turner
- o Brandy Payne
- o Thomas Dang
- o Rick Fraser
- o Mike Connolly
- o Minister Schmidt x2
- o Minister Shaye Anderson
- o David Shepard
- o Wayne Anderson
- o Charlie Angus
- o Hon. Navdeep Bains' Office
- o Andrew Scheer's office
- o Mike Bossio
- o Mark Strahl
- o Employment and Social Development Canada

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Laura:

- o Minister Schimdt
- o Marie Renaud
- o Estephania Cortes-Vargas
- o Min. Anderson
- o Richard Gotfried
- o Minister Sarah Hoffman
- o AB Party Caucus
- o Wayne Stretski
- o Pat Kelly
- o Sean Fraser
- o David Yurdiga
- o Francesco Sorbara
- o Martin Shields

Victoria & Laura:

- o Grant Hunter
- o Jeff Coffman
- o Shannon Phillips x2
- o Belinda Crowson
- o David Khan & Dr. Swann
- o Rachael Harder x2
- o Pat Chizek – Alberta Liberal Candidate for Lethbridge-West
- o Karri Flatla - UCP Candidate for Lethbridge-West

INCLUSIVE ALBERTA ANNOUNCEMENT

I had the honour of speaking at Inclusive Alberta's press announcement in which the organization stated it would fund about three students with developmental disabilities to come and study here at the University of Lethbridge. This is very exciting as it promotes inclusivity and diversity on our campus, and sheds light on the need for an accessible campus. This initiative demonstrates how important it is to create a campus and a community that is accessible to all, and I am thrilled that the University of Lethbridge received this funding. *Laura Bryan - President*

SPEECHES GIVEN BY ULSU PRESIDENT

- Ahead of the Herd, June
- Inclusive Alberta Announcement, July

- NSO, September
- Shine Campaign Launch, September
- Career Fair, September
- Common Book Project Launch, October
- Open House, October
- NSO, January
- Recognition Dinner, April

Laura Bryan - President

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT

- General Faculties Council x 9
- GFC Executive x 10
- Senate x 4
- Senate Executive x 5
- Board of Governors x 5
- Board of Governors Governance x 3
- Multiple Advocacy Meetings
- Various QIP Meetings
- Various UPass Meetings
- General Assembly Meetings x 11
- Common Book Project
- School of Liberal Education Council x 4
- ULAA Meetings x 4
- Environmental Sustainability Action Committee x 4
- South Campus Development Advisory Committee x 2
- Indigenous Strategy Meeting x 2
- Health and Dental Plan Meetings x 2

Laura Bryan - President

HUMANS OF ULETH INTERVIEW

This year, all five executives were interviewed by Richard Lee-Thai, the creator of the Humans of ULEth Facebook page. This page is a wonderful initiative that truly serves to break down barriers between the members of our campus community, and that also strives to highlight the fact that no one is perfect. It was incredible to be included in such an amazing initiative, and I feel very blessed to have been interviewed. It is amazing to tangibly see ways in which

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students impact our campus community, and I'm happy that I had the chance to partake in HOUL! *Laura Bryan - President*

MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATION - ANDREW

This year was quite exceptional for the students of the Dhillon School of Business. Working with the Management Students Society, so much great work was able to be accomplished through charity initiatives and events that helped students feel welcome on campus. During that time, we saw an increased focus on positive and vibrant energy. Furthermore, the ULSU constantly advocated for students through our position on the Dhillon School of Business Council, as well as multiple other committees. The students enjoyed their first official year as an AACSB accredited school, which gives a significant increase to the prestige and high standards already experienced throughout the school. This was also a great year for clubs founded within the Dhillon School of Business with AN\$ Entrepreneurs winning the Outstanding New Club award. This made a significant impact not just within the Dhillon School of Business, but across the entire university. The upcoming year promises great things for all students within the school, championed and compounded by student access to representation through the ULSU. *Andrew Gammack - Management Rep*

ARTS & SCIENCE REPRESENTATION - BEN

This year, I ensured proper representation of my fellow arts and science students by sitting on various committees that made substantial decisions on students' lives. For example, I was assigned to sit on the Curriculum Coordinating Committee where the structure and course requirements were discussed and how it could be improved. In addition to my committee requirements, I attended monthly General Assembly meetings where I was never afraid to voice my opinion on proposals, initiatives, and approving the expenses of large amounts of money and funding. Finally, I

made sure I spent time supporting and promoting initiatives brought up by my fellow GA members or executives in a variety of capacities such as tabling for Mental Health Week, signing up volunteers during Club Rush Week, and working with Vice-President External in her Get Out The Vote campaign to crush campus apathy in voting for the provincial election. *Ben Beland - Arts & Science Rep*

ARTS & SCIENCE REPRESENTATION - ETHAN

The Arts and Science Rep position has more breadth than depth in many aspects. This year, I sat on a variety of committees including but not limited to: Arts and Science Council, Legislative Review Committee, GFC Undergraduate Student Discipline Committee, Education Faculty Council just to name a few. In addition to this I was in attendance for all of our General Assembly meetings.

I also participated in a variety of events including: volunteering for the Chancellor's dinner, Let There Be Light Night, the International Dinner, and volunteering many hours tabling for the Students' Union. I was even able to sit on the Greek Life Council since our VPSA was unable to attend for the second semester.

Overall I went out of my way to engage with the various university bodies and carried forth a professional relationship with everyone I worked with. *Ethan Pullan - Arts & Science Rep*

FINE ARTS REPRESENTATION - KIERIEN

I represented my constituents by giving them a voice on various councils and committees. I sat on the ULSU General Assembly, Fine Arts Council, General Faculties Council, and the ULSU Executive Accountability Committee. I was voted in during the ULSU By-election in September since the position remained vacant after the general elections in spring 2018. Due to this, my term did not start until October, when I was officially ratified. Through my club

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involvement and being the Fine Arts Representative, I was involved with various Fine Arts events, workshops, and conferences on campus including the Craig Cardiff Workshops, Last Class Bash, the Luncheon with Sean McCann, several cabarets, the Art Gallery Strategic Planning Sessions mediated by Don McIntyre, the Crossing Boundaries Symposium/IAST, Exploring Sound, New City, and several Audio Engineering Society Events hosted both on campus and within the community. I created a Facebook community called Fine Arts Collab Uleth which I hope will start to encourage more cross-departmental collaboration within the Fine Arts community at the University. I thoroughly enjoyed my time on the ULSU General Assembly and am extremely excited to see what the incoming Fine Arts Rep, Holly Kletke, will bring to the team and the Fine Arts community next year. *Kierian Turner - Fine Arts Rep*

CALGARY CAMPUS REPRESENTATION - GARETH

This year, I have been involved in a number of initiatives on and off of campus. Whether that is being involved in student grade appeals, sitting on various award committees or advising students, there have been many positive experiences and moments during the course of the year. One of the biggest takeaways for me is the positive impact that you can have on your community, both on and off campus. Below are just some of my highlights.

Movember Men's Health Campaign

The Movember Foundation is the only charity tackling men's health on a global scale. They address some of the biggest health issues that men face including prostate cancer, mental health, and suicide prevention. Their profits go towards improving the health and longevity of men's lives. During the month of November, I grew a moustache to raise awareness for men's health, but also to raise money in the process. In collaboration with the Calgary Management Students' Society, I was able to raise over \$3,200 for the Movember Foundation.

Calgary Food Bank

The Calgary Food Bank is the first line of emergency food support for families and individuals facing crises. We believe that no Calgarian should be left behind, and put great energy into supporting Calgarians when they are in need. In collaboration with the Faculty at the Calgary campus, and Calgary Management Students' Society, a two month long campaign ran encouraging everyone (students, staff, and instructors), to bring in non-perishable food items and drop them off at one of the bins located at the U of L Calgary office.

In addition, since the start of September, I also volunteered at the Calgary Food Bank on a bi-weekly basis. On every other Tuesday after work, I would volunteer for an evening shift preparing food hampers. These hampers help meet the unique circumstances, diverse health and nutritional needs of those in need and without the support of volunteers, the Calgary Food Bank would not be able to operate and assist one in nine Calgarians on a daily basis.

Gareth Jones - Calgary Campus Rep



Gareth Jones (front left) & Volunteers

Clubs & Greek Life

Clubs & Greek Life List

RATIFIED CLUBS & GREEK LIFE

1. Accounting Club
2. African-Caribbean Student Association
3. Agricultural Students' Society
4. AN\$ Entrepreneurship Club
5. Anthro-Soci Club
6. Archaeology Club
7. Art Marvels
8. ARRTI Undergraduate Club
9. Arts Society
10. Association of Political Science Students
11. Audio Engineering Society
12. Backcountry Hunters & Anglers
13. Backstage & Technician Student Society
14. Bio Club
15. Board, Ski and Surf Club
16. Calgary Campus Finance Club
17. Calgary Management Student Society
18. Campus Conservatives
19. Campus Roots Community Garden Association
20. Cancer Awareness Club
21. Cauldron Club
22. Chemistry and Biochemistry Club
23. Chess Club
24. Circle K International
25. Climbing Club
26. Coulee Kids' Theatre
27. Courtyard
28. Cross Country Club
29. Dance Team
30. Delta Eota Iota - Sorority
31. Education Undergraduate Society
32. Enactus University of Lethbridge
33. English Students Society
34. Finance Club at the U of L
35. FNMI Student Association
36. Freedom House Club
37. Freedom Writer's Poetry Club
38. French Club
39. GEEK Club
40. Generation Screwed
41. Geography Club
42. Global Drums
43. Headbanger's Society
44. Headwinds Cycling - University of Lethbridge Chapter
45. Helping Paws
46. Human Resource Management
47. International Students' Association (ISA)
48. Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship
49. Investment Club
50. Ismaili Student Association
51. Itty Bitty Bellydance
52. Kappa Beta Gamma - Sorority
53. Kappa Sigma - Fraternity
54. Kinesiology & Physical Education Society
55. Let's Get Mental
56. Lethbridge Students For Life
57. Life Savers
58. Management Students' Society
59. Martial Arts Club
60. Medieval Club
61. Mixed Curling
62. Model United Nations Club
63. Musical Theatre Society
64. Muslim Students' Association
65. Neuroscience Club
66. New Democrats
67. New Media Students' Society
68. Nursing Students Association
69. Object Manipulation Club
70. Operation Smile Club
71. Organization of Economic Students
72. Organization of Residence Students
73. Photography Club
74. Physics & Astronomy Club
75. Power to Change
76. Pre-Med Club
77. PRIDE Centre
78. Psychology Club
79. Public Health Student Association
80. Quarter Heart
81. Rotaract Club
82. Salam Dabka Dance Group - DE-RATIFIED - Nov 21st
83. Smash Club
84. Social Work Student Association
85. Spanish Club
86. Spartan Club
87. Students Accounting Association (SAA) - Calgary
88. Swing Bridge Dance Club
89. Synthetic Biology Club
90. Tabletop Role-playing & Players' Society
91. Tech Club
92. The History Under Graduates Society (THUGS)
93. The Unscripted Theatre Society (TUTS)
94. Theatre Arts Society
95. Trolls Rugby
96. United Conservatives at the U of L
97. University Catholic Young Adults
98. University of Lethbridge Club
99. University of Lethbridge Gutsy Club
100. University of Lethbridge Lifting Club (ULLC)
101. Vocal Harmony Singers
102. Wind Orchestra
103. World University Service of Canada (WUSC)
104. Yoga Club
105. Young Artists Collective

Clubs & Greek Life Reports

CLUBS & GREEK LIFE REPORT

I'm always so blown away at how much work is done by all the clubs, Greek life, and other student organizations to help grow a culture of community here on campus. With over 100 hundred returning clubs on campus and at least 12 new clubs this year, it was hard to keep up with them all. It would be nearly impossible to have at least one club that didn't spark your interest.

I was proud to see that so many of our clubs were active participants in Feed or Famine, bringing in close to 4-5 carts worth of food; participating in our Pronghorn Cheering Challenges, with some club members bringing trombones and wearing gold suits; and collaborating together to host events that showcased the best each club had to offer! I'm looking forward to seeing how clubs will grow in the upcoming year as we have made many changes. We created an online ratification form, reinvented Clubs Council, and revisited Club Rush Week since we are running out of room and tables for our 100+ clubs. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

PRONGHORN CHEERING CHALLENGE

I may have been a bit overambitious, but the plan was to host three Cheering Challenges. One in November, January, and the last one in March during the Championship games. This was quite a struggle as some of these games were a hard sell to clubs and students as some of these games were during midterm season, also, students don't necessarily want to go with their club to a Pronghorn Game.

That being said, each of these games had the most students I've seen attend Pronghorns Games, I believe full-heartedly that we were able to help increase school spirit. With this in mind, this event may take an entirely new face in the next year. I anticipate this event will grow to be an even better event in the future. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

CHILLIN' FOR CHARITY

I consider myself to be a pretty lucky individual because the year I decided to jump into the ice pool was the same year it was a relatively warm autumn day and the same year they had a hot tub. Besides that, we as a ULSU team were able to raise \$200 as office staff, and the Zoo was able to raise another \$200. With the goal of \$10,000 and making over \$7000 total, almost 3 times more than the year before, I think MSS & United Way should be proud of the work that they did! *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*



Chillin' for Charity
Daan Smit



Chillin' for Charity
Imogen Pohl, Daan Smit, Jessica Jones

Clubs & Greek Life Reports

ORGANIZATION OF RESIDENCE REPORT

I will never take for granted the opportunity to represent over a thousand students who call the University of Lethbridge Residence their home, through my role as both a member of the Students' Union and the Organization of Residence Students. The task of connecting and providing for my constituents is one that I happily took on with determination. The unique relationship that binds the ORS and the ULSU allows for both organizations to provide a student experience that is hard to match, and I'll detail some of the highlights below:

Events

This has been a year of brand new events for those living on campus. A day-long ski-trip was made to Fernie; a Quidditch Tournament and yoga outings helped promote health and wellness; a car smash was held to help relieve finals related stress; and a contribution to the #TrashTag movement was organized. The ULSU also organized the Pronghorn Cheering Challenge, in which ORS members bought tickets for over 100 residents to attend. All of these events and more were highlights for myself and my constituents, and served to connect the residence community with itself, and those communities around it.

Capital Projects

The 2018/2019 academic year came with several opportunities to improve spaces for students across campus. Funds for improving a social space for residents in University Hall were approved, allowing for better surfaces and seating, further allowing university communities to connect. Thanks to the Students' Union, this space, having undergone several phases of improvement, is now one that the University of Lethbridge residence can offer proudly to its students. Several other improvements were conducted across campus: from new paint jobs and aesthetics, to improved seating, to a wellness and self-help-based book nook. Capital projects are an investment, and these small improvements will last and will continue to serve residents for years to come.

Community

It was an exciting time as we hosted many community events and initiatives. Residents went door-to-door on Halloween during the ULSU's Feed or Famine initiative to collect donations in the form of food for the Students'

Union Food Bank. A new initiative called the Winter Formal Closet was started in order to provide formal clothes for those who do not necessarily have the means to afford those expenditures. With the end of the Spring Semester also came a Food and Clothing Drive, in which 1205 lbs and 9 full bags were donated for charity, respectively. *Jonathan Diaz - Residence Rep*



The ORS Team



ORS - The Tug o' War

Events of 2018-2019

Event List

SEPTEMBER

- Rumble in the Jungle
- Fresh Fest
- Dirty Bingo
- Introduce-U-Thon
- Club Rush Week
- NSO-aoke
- Karaoke
- Catalina Wine Mixer
- International Takeover
- High School Musical Night
- Toga Party

OCTOBER

- Garage Sale
- Mental Health Day
- Feed or Famine
- Dirty Bingo
- Halloween Cabaret
- Karaoke
- Margarita Night
- Open Mic Night

NOVEMBER

- Mental Health Week
- Dirty Bingo
- New City Concert
- Grad Photos
- Imaginus Poster Sale
- Karaoke
- Anime Movie Night
- French Club Takeover
- International Farewell Night

DECEMBER

- Ender Bender
- Karaoke
- Pokemon Night

JANUARY

- Semester Kickoff Cabaret
- Dirty Bingo
- Club Rush Week
- Karaoke
- Onesie night
- Latin Dance Night

FEBRUARY

- Sexy Week
- Mental Health Week
- Students' Union Elections
- Dirty Bingo
- Karaoke
- Latin Dance Night
- Sudz with Budz

MARCH

- Students' Union Elections
- Dirty Bingo
- Karaoke
- Too Lit to Politic
- Bad and Boujee Night
- Pre-Patrick's Day

APRIL

- Last Lecture
- Teaching Excellence Award
- Last Class Bash
- Karaoke
- PRE-CB



Karaoke in the Zoo

Daan Smit, Jessica Jones, Laura Bryan

New & Recurring Initiatives

COCA CONFERENCE

When I first left to go to this conference, I felt that the ULSU was doing a great job of events and we had saturated what we could do for students, and that was the end of the story. I kept an open mind and an open heart and I went to learn as much as I could so I could be proficient at my job, but after spending a week out in Frederickton, I couldn't believe how much was out there for events, opportunities for students, and for different initiatives. From this experience, I know I came away with more knowledge in developing a sponsorship package for our SU; spreading the message of consent on campuses; how to better handle clubs; and what to look for when planning events with talent. Moving forward, I had a lot of ideas that I pitched to my team here in Lethbridge with regard to engaging students, awareness campaigns, and putting on some unforgettable shows. The first was using the application "Goose Chase". I saw how easy it would be for us as an organization to put on such a wide-scale scavenger hunt when we ourselves engaged in it during COCA. I also planned to put on a campaign at some point in the early part of the first semester with regards to consent, as I had learned at COCA that the majority of sexual violence happens in the first 8 weeks of university. I wanted to build up our sponsorship package to be more than just an event sponsorship package but also one for our entire year so we can build and maintain relations within the community and our events. But besides those serious ideas, some ideas that stuck out were, "Wingo" and "a Buck for a Buck" (mechanical bull event), a carnival, artificial ice rink, indoor beach party, petting zoo! (Puppies & Pints!), roll-up the rim and actually win, or "Act like a Kid" night at the bar. I couldn't believe how many of these ideas came from this week and I hoped that those I couldn't implement, that maybe the next SA might have a part to play in some new events. Overall, this conference has helped my confidence and I was excited to roll out a bunch of new events for the year. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*



COCA Conference
left - Jessica Jones

INTRODUCE-U-THON

This was our first time hosting an Introduce-U-Thon the night of NSO, and in my opinion, it was successful. A number of students came to the Zoo to play games, interact with other students, and to participate in our "speed friending" initiative. It was also great to see the club collaboration we had with the Smash Club, which really drew in new students and showed them the benefits of joining a club on campus. Overall, I am happy that so many new students came out to enjoy the event, and also familiarize themselves with the Zoo. *Laura Bryan - President*

UPASS

This year, we officially rolled out the UPass program after the referendum passed in March 2017. The summer was filled with lots of meetings as I worked with Cheri, IT, and various senior administrators to ensure everything was set up for the September launch. As always, there were some hitches we discovered once the opt-out program was first available to students, but the hardworking team behind the initiative was able to smooth everything out to make it better for future years. I am very happy to have been able to see UPass roll out during the year. *Laura Bryan - President*

New & Recurring Initiatives

AHEAD OF THE HERD

I was taken aback at how quickly my first month was passing by when I realized that I should get planning for Ahead of the Herd. My first step was reaching out to Asheley Cowie to have a conversation about the Students' Union's role with the event and different ways we could get involved. She is such a cool lady and I enjoyed working closely with her for NSO and other events she held throughout the year. We were able to submit an advertisement for their pamphlet, I also had the opportunity to show a PowerPoint presentation about the ULSU and our role with regards to student services, to many of the incoming students & their families.

Ahead of the Herd was a huge success, I was so worried that I'd miss the opportunity to express what the ULSU truly does, and let our new students know about our biggest event Fresh Fest. My presentation, while it was cut a bit short due to time constraints was a success and I had several parents approach me afterwards to compliment me. Additionally, Fresh Fest got 77 students signed up for a notification email for Fresh Fest tickets. Overall, I'd count this day as a success. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

ENDER BENDER

This is an event to which I think needs a bit of a make-over. I loved my time being emcee for this event but I think the attendance would be a lot better if a few things were changed. First, while I love the name (I'm a sucker for rhyming names) I don't think it accurately conveys the low energy of the newfound reindeer games. I think Ender Bender should be dropped down to just Reindeer Games or split into two. Another thing that we tried which I think stressed me out needlessly was the RSVP we had on the event and the team requirements. If I've learned anything from this year, it's that students don't like to RSVP and are usually too busy to commit to RSVP's.

Regardless of my criticism of the event, many of the students that approached me after the event had very positive things to say and had wishes to see it grow and to be better advertised. I think it provides such a nice ambient atmosphere where students can blow off steam. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

SEXY WEEK

Sexy week went on with a few changes this year. The first being carnations rather than roses as they've gone up from \$1 per to \$3. The other two events being hosted by Kappa Beta Gamma and Kappa Sigma went on without any hitches. Sexy Talk ended up being canceled as we were unable to find a speaker in time. We had talked about having Reel Talks to speak on Mean Girls initially, but that was canceled and I only found out about it two weeks prior, I asked a few profs including Sheila McManus, Paul Vasey and Hillary Rodrigues. I also considered looking at bringing in some drag queens to speak. My advice is to ensure that someone is booking a speaker for that event or to do so yourself, and early, so you can secure one before it's too late. I feel like this week could have been expanded upon a lot more as well. I do have a good feeling that my successor might already have an idea or two. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

GOOSECHASE

I'm so incredibly happy and I have so many warm feelings when I think about this event. Goosechase was a total success as over 600 students participated and had a lot of fun while learning about the campus. All of the participants were encouraged to mix and mingle with one another which helped build a stronger community. I think the cool part about this event was the many opportunities to win and different ways to engage students. I'd love to see the collaboration carry into future years! Some things I'd change are: ensure that everyone uses the same weighting

New & Recurring Initiatives

for questions when collaborating, another is having a clear schedule to ensure everyone knows when questions are intended to drop; it's awkward when students are doing a question for a Fresh Fest specific thing while at NSO. It was fun and I'm glad I got to see this through. It was also a pretty neat thing to be recognized by many university administration based on this event. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

NEW CITY CONCERT

I don't know who walked underneath a ladder or had a black cat cross their path but I don't know how else to describe the New City Concert than with being a bad luck magnet. Not to say it was a bad event, but so many things didn't go according to plan. When we were planning this concert, we had anticipated it being on November 3rd (the weekend after the Halloween weekend), but due to extraneous circumstances, we had to push the concert up. We had planned for a specific artist to come and the agent doubled their price just as soon as we tried to put in an offer. We faced additional obstacles as some artists canceled on the event, so thanks to Riley, we were able to get ONTK to fill in and Riley even came in to help DJ in the end.

While the turnout was low, I believe that every student that came out had an amazing time and had something to take away from this event. I had an awesome time and I'd love to see more concerts in the future held with the ULSU. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

HALLOWEEN CABARET

Our largest cabaret of the year and wow! I think that was the busiest Halloween Cabaret I've ever attended in my six years of attending. I couldn't believe the costumes I saw, some were gut-busting laugh-inducing while some gave me chills with how spooky they were. The balloon drop was held exactly at midnight. As my favourite time of the

year, I was incredibly pleased at how successful this event was! *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

FINANCIAL SEMINAR

In my opinion, financial health is part of mental health. Since I don't know much about psychology and how to help people mentally but do know a lot about finance, I thought it would be helpful for students to have a financial seminar. This seminar was aimed to teach students how to budget and how to invest. I taught the students what the road to financial freedom looks like and how they can get there.

This was one of my goals for the year and I am excited to have done this. I am looking forward to doing this again to find even more engagement. I did notice that I might have talked a little bit too fast. Since it is about finance and some of the wording that is common sense to me, might not be common sense to others. This was not only a creative learning opportunity for me, but also for those that attended the seminar. *Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance*

NEW ULSU WEBSITE

As you may have noticed, we have a new website! I am super excited to see it come to life. It had been many months anticipating on the new website and now it is finally here. We have worked alongside with Tangle Media to make this happen. The website finally feels like a 2019 website and not a website from 2010. Now that the framework for the website is done, we still have to do some work internally. We are still working on updating all the categories to make it easier for students to navigate and find what they are looking for. In addition, the new website is super mobile friendly, so if you need to find anything from your phone, it shouldn't be any problem. *Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance*

FRESH FEST REVIEW

I'd say that this year's Fresh Fest has been the best I've experienced to date. I can't tell if I have a bias since I was the VP SA during this year or whether it's just the consequence of our Fresh Fests just growing better with each year. This was the first year we tried to put on a two-day concert and I think it was successful. The event, drew students out on both days where it catered to a large range in music tastes that created a dynamic Fresh Fest season. It was amazing to have a line-up that provided a fun mix of both rock and pop that students could jive to. I also think that it adds to that music-festival-feel that students are interested in during this time. I loved how the Friday was a bit more chill as a rock day and how the pop was incorporated in more on the Saturday. Our headliners were amazing! I couldn't believe MAX's performance, he did a cart-wheel while singing while holding a microphone, can't say I've seen that in a Fresh Fest line-up before. I have so many precious memories of this event and while the time commitment almost killed me, I'd say it was worth it! I look forward to seeing it grow from here. *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

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Students' Union Awards

Award Recipients

Employee of the Year

2018-2019 Award Winner: Shelley Tuff - Health & Dental Plan Administrator/Store Manager

This award was presented to the Students' Union employee who had made the most outstanding contribution to the organization over the past year, and best displayed the values of the Students' Union.

This year was particularly difficult because our SU Bookkeeper of 25 years, Randy Ockerman, had to take an unexpected leave of absence due to illness. So, we were stuck with invoices to pay and payroll to do and none of us are accountants. Randy also managed our store, Rockermans, in the food court so there was a lot of work to be done. While all of my employees were great team players during that difficult transition, Shelley went above and beyond and helped to keep the SU running efficiently. She literally sat down at the computer and diligently self-taught her way through our accounting procedures, and because of her, we were able to limp along until we hired a new bookkeeper. She also immediately took over the management of Rockermans and has since completely revamped the store so it has a fresh new look and it is becoming more profitable. The amazing thing is, she managed to do all of this while still performing her regular job duties as our Health Plan Coordinator. She is also a great team player and always jumps in to assist her fellow employees with numerous tasks unrelated to her job. I have to also note that she frequently tends to clutter laying around the office, does the dishes and changes the water jug. Shelley is a long-time employee and a wonderful asset to the Students' Union and we are all extremely lucky to have her on our team.

Student Employee of the Year

2018-2019 Award Winner: Ryan Munn

This award was presented to the Students' Union student employee who demonstrated the most exceptional contribution to our organization over the past year.

Through the last few years, Ryan has thrown himself into many different roles and responsibilities both on campus

and within the ULSU. This most recent year, he has done everything possible to help in the wrangling of our 100+ clubs on campus, in addition to helping with the many events held on campus. Through outstanding dedication and with an award winning attitude, he embodied the spirit of the ULSU. It is with great pride and joy that we give this award to Ryan Munn. This is just a taste of the positive influence he will have on campus next year as VP/SA.

Outstanding New Club

2018-2019 Award Winner: Abs & Money Entrepreneur

This award was presented to the Students' Union newly ratified club that had demonstrated the most outstanding, creative, new, and successful endeavours over the past year, with excellent standing with Clubs Council.

This year was a big year for new clubs as we had 12 clubs that were newly ratified on campus. Even so, ANS Entrepreneur or also known as Abs & Money Entrepreneur truly started with a bang! The dedicated club members have already had many successful events including their Launch Party in October and a Money Ball, both of which sold out. Their ambitious projects to bring in external speakers, host grand networking events, and even produce club merchandise were a testament to the club's dedication to their cause. What is amazing is that this club is only at the beginning of their journey. With the energy and motivation from this group of people that it can only grow from here!

Club of the Year Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Calgary Management Student Society

This award was presented to the Students' Union ratified club that demonstrated the most outstanding effort and dedication in its endeavours over the past year.

It's always a difficult decision deciding this award as we have over a hundred successful clubs on campus creating niches for students, building a greater student community, and helping out fellow students and the greater Lethbridge and Calgary Community. One club that stood out for us this year was the Calgary Management Students Society.

Award Recipients

We are recognizing this club as they've made great strides for creating a greater culture on the Calgary Campus. Calgary MSS also ensures that they host events nearly once a month and vary their events to appeal to different audiences—from professional mix and mingles to informal socials, the Management Students Society has made efforts to offer something for everyone.

The Zoo Spirit Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Riley Miller - Zoo Bar Manager

This annual award was presented to an individual who embodied the spirit of the Zoo! The recipient of this award went above and beyond to make the Zoo an amazing place for everyone through his energetic positivity. This award was presented to a member of the University of Lethbridge community who calls the Zoo their home.

When considering the Zoo as a bar, it's undergone a lot of transformation this last year and yet, it hasn't lost any of the spirit that this award was based on. We've seen the Zoo grow into a bustling hub of the University and with it we saw someone who embodied this spirit best. Riley is someone who will greet you at the door, who both enjoys their job, and its patrons. He has a lot of talents in putting on the new-found events that are now being hosted. I also think it's important in mentioning that there are only 740 hours in the month of September and Riley completed well over 300.

Volunteer Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Diogo Dias

This award was presented to the most dedicated and enthusiastic student volunteer, specifically for Students' Union events and initiatives.

Our volunteers are absolutely instrumental for our events, our initiatives, and everything we do at the ULSU, none of it would be possible without the dedication of our volunteers. I'm particularly grateful for Diogo as he was one of our most dedicated volunteers from this year. This deci-

sion was hard to make with so many qualified people but Diogo stood out above the rest and found a way to go that extra mile, literally. As soon as he joined our volunteer core in September, it was rare to not see him attend or volunteer at our ULSU Events. It's worth mentioning that this volunteer would go above and beyond by showing up and volunteering even when we didn't ask him and he would just start helping at events. When it was time to take-down after a cabaret, he would just be there. Diogo even biked over to the ENMAX Centre in January weather to help us out for our Pronghorn Cheering Challenge event.

Continued Support Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Diana Simm - Executive Director of Volunteer Lethbridge

This award was presented to the community organization for continued support of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union.

As Executive Director, Diane is extremely dedicated and passionate about community volunteerism. The mission of Volunteer Lethbridge is to build connections and empower individuals and organizations to enhance and grow volunteerism. Diana worked tirelessly in accomplishing that. The Students' Union has worked with Diana and her team in hosting several events on campus including the annual Volunteer Fair and the 5K Colour Fun Run where she was out on the running path directing traffic as a flag bearer. So you can see that she is also a great team player and wonderful leader. Diana collaborated with the University of Lethbridge in creating and establishing the UVolunteer Program.

In order to really appreciate the impact of this program, this is their vision: UVolunteer will provide a framework for the many University of Lethbridge students who already volunteer to organize and document their volunteer work, as well as inspire and motivate more students to volunteer in their communities. This will create a campus culture that engages students, faculty, staff, improves student life, encourages community involvement on campus and in the community. This also attracts new students to the Universi-

ty by communicating the value and impact of civic engagement. This program will set a standard across Canada for a volunteer-university collaboration.

So as you can see, so many of her efforts are for the benefit of our U of L Students and that is why she is the perfect candidate for our Continued Support Award.

Student of the Year Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Kairvee Bhatt

This award was presented to the student who embodied leadership, commitment, and contributed to the betterment of U of L students; this may have been exemplified by involvement in clubs, non-profit and/or student organizations, community, and volunteerism.

John Brocklesby Students' Union Award of Excellence

2018-2019 Award Winner: Ethan Pullan - Arts & Science Rep

This award was presented to the General Assembly member who had made the most significant contribution to the Students' Union, students, and the university community.

Bill Chapman Students' Union Certificate of Distinction

2018-2019 Award Winner: Richard Lee Thai

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge student who had shown the most innovation in the area(s) of student affairs, wellness, or another notable field over the past year.

Helping Hand Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Nancy Walker - VP Finance & Administration and Kathleen Massey - Associate VP Students

This award was presented to a University of Lethbridge faculty or staff employee that had made the most significant and lasting contribution to the University of Lethbridge Students' Union over the past academic year.

Outstanding Dedication Award

2018-2019 Award Winners: Brandy Old - AGILITY Program

This award was presented to the University of Lethbridge employee in special recognition for outstanding dedication and support to the students of the university.

Legacy Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance

This award was presented to the Students' Union Executive Council member who had exhibited the most outstanding leadership, ethics, and dedication during their term.

Teaching Excellence Award

2018-2019 Award Winner: Dennis Connolly - Mathematics & Computer Science, and Greg Patenaude - Chemistry & Biochemistry

The University of Lethbridge Students' Union formally recognized and honoured teaching excellence at the University of Lethbridge. We accomplished this by offering students an avenue for nominating a professor, sessional staff or lab instructor who had shown outstanding efforts to increase the learning experience of their students. The award selection was based solely on teaching excellence. The winners were formally recognized as part of the ULSU Last Lecture event held during April of 2019.

Laurence Decore Awards

2018-2019 Award Winners: Charithe Bonifacio, Stephanie Croft, Derek Jensen, Jacquelynn Tattrie, Alyssa Van Vaerenbergh, Bronwyn Burghardt

The Laurence Decore Award for Student Leadership recognizes post-secondary students demonstrating outstanding dedication. Recipients were selected on the basis of involvement in either student government, student societies, clubs, or organizations. In addition, candidates may have been involved in student organizations at the provincial or national level or in non-profit community organizations.

This award recognizes that being a student is being part of a larger learning community. Student leaders are giving something of themselves to the community and the government of Alberta recognizes that these accomplishments are important just like academic, athletic or creative excellence.

Recognition - Nicole Dyck

We want to also give a special shout-out to our new book-keeper Nicole Dyck. It was an incredibly daunting task to take over the finances of the ULSU after Randy left. We practically just gave her a key, and pushed her into the office and said "here ya go". She had to start from scratch in creating new spreadsheets and develop her own processes and reporting methods. Fortunately, Nicole had the wherewithal to figure things out. She worked many, many, hours of overtime, including nights and weekends so we could function normally again. Nicole always maintains a positive attitude and she is such a pleasure to have in the office. Thankfully we haven't scared her away yet. *Cheri Pokarney - General Manager*

Recognition - IT Department

We have numerous university departments to thank, like facilities, campus safety, grounds, everyone involved in UPass. In particular, we want to thank the IT Department. They spent an enormous amount of time and effort in developing the UPass online program which took so much of their time. They also developed a completely new program for students to vote in our ULSU General Election. We were so appreciative and impressed by their initiative and efficiency. *Cheri Pokarney - General Manager*

Operations

Services

Room Booking Summary

ROOM	ULSU & U of L BOOKINGS	CLUB BOOKINGS	EXTERNAL BOOKINGS	TOTAL BOOKINGS PER ROOM
Council Chambers	89	12	19	120
Table Space	67	137	65	269
Galileo's	25	150	3	178
Ballroom A	72	78	15	165
Ballroom B	82	115	19	216
Ballroom C	58	10	4	72
TOTAL BOOKINGS	393	502	125	1020

ULSU Food Court Tenants

- Campus Coffee
- Smoothie Hut
- Tivoli
- Hiroba
- Subway
- Icy's
- Baadshah Café
- U of L Bookstore
- Rockerman's Service Centre

Enrollment for 2018-2019

Health 4317
Dental 4309

Family add ons
Health 44
Dental 42



Students Health and Dental plan benefit provider is Medavie Blue Cross.

Food Bank

FEED OR FAMINE

One of our two October Halloween events is our food bank drive called Feed or Famine. I learned a lot about this event (and the history) in order to understand and work to improve upon it. An idea that Shelley and I both had was to mix up the categories to allow smaller clubs to participate. This gave me the idea to reward clubs for the most variety of food, ratio of food to club members participating, most money donated, and of course the most donated overall. The biggest obstacle I found was counting the food with so many people participating and keeping track of the varieties. Moving forward, I feel like a form should be created to count the amount of varieties, I would like to work through the food bank and count all the varieties and have a check list for future VPSA's to use.

This is such a tough event to host as it's hard to get clubs to participate and I wonder if this could work to include individual students rather than just clubs or if there's another format that would work better. Lastly, through talks with a student, I found that it's possible to run this event through Trick or Eat by applying to the organization itself and also perform more advocacy work through the campaign and see what this event can grow into. I would love to see in the future years having more drop zones for students to drop food off, more information regarding student hunger, a greater social media coverage, and using strategies outlined on the trickoreat.ca website. Regardless, I think this makes such a difference for our ULSU Food Bank, and how we can help students! *Jessica Jones - VP Student Affairs*

PASS THE HAT FUNDRAISER

Each December, the ULSU brings an elf hat to the annual General Faculties Council, Senate, and Board of Governors meetings to fundraise money for the ULSU Food Bank. Food disparity is an unfortunate issue on our campus, and so every ounce of support matters. This year, we received an overwhelming amount of support and raised over \$3000 total. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who donated their support to this initiative. *Laura Bryan, President*

MOBILE SHREDDING

In support of Cybersecurity Awareness Month, Information Technology Services partnered with Lethbridge Mobile Shredding to offer free shredding of personal items and

media storage devices, hard drive degaussing, and e-waste recycling to the public.

Donations of cash and non-perishable food items were collected for the ULSU Food Bank. A total of \$736.00 and 220 food items were collected.

Many thanks to Ashley Haughton and IT Services for all their hard work at this event. *Shelley Tuff - Health & Dental Plan Administrator/Store Manager*

FOOD BANK DONORS

The ULSU is very grateful for the many groups, companies, and individuals that have donated to the ULSU Food Bank over the last year. The generosity of the U of L staff and the community is very appreciated and welcome, without donors we would not be able to help the students that we do.

Many thanks to all who have donated, big and small, it is all appreciated.

- Chartwells
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- Health Services
- U of L Art Gallery
- AUPE
- Bookstore
- President's Office
- Board of Governors
- Senate
- SOS
- Student Affairs
- Dhillon School of Business
- Health Sciences
- Penny Building
- And many clubs and individuals

Shelley Tuff - Health & Dental Plan Administrator/Store Manager

QIP EXPENDITURES FOR 2018-2019	AMOUNT
Scholarships, Grants, Bursaries	\$215,500.00
Undergraduate Research Awards	\$ 93,447.00
Tutoring	\$ 5,000.00
Fresh Fest 2018	\$ 45,000.00
Pronghorn Cheering Challenge	\$ 3,677.30
Last Class Bash	\$ 13,854.50
Earth Day	\$ 1,000.00
Academic Speakers	\$ 14,000.00
iGem	\$ 8,000.00
Women's Centre	\$ 1,000.00
ORS - Improve Common Space	\$ 4,600.00
Geography Club	\$ 4,000.00
KinPhyEd	\$ 8,000.00
Jamie Petersson	\$ 1,880.00
Total	\$418,958.80

NEW PAYMENT MACHINES

A project that I researched and received General Assembly approval for, was the implementation of the new payment system. Our old payment system was charging us more per transaction than our current ones. However, when we received the new systems, we still had to work out some issues and we were, therefore, unable to use it the first month and a half. Yet, with patience and some calls with the provider (Clover) we got it all sorted. The staff in the Zoo love them and they told me it's actually faster than the previous machines. Staff can now, make more transactions at busy times, which will also prevent walkouts.

With the new system, we can use different apps to keep track of inventory, which is something we might want to use in the future. For now, we will keep using them for payments until we are fully comfortable with the payment system. *Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance*

NAME	NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS	AMOUNT GRANTED
Travel & Conference Grants	39	\$14,187
Club & Start-up Grants	39	\$ 9,230
Emergency Grants	14	\$ 6,750
TOTAL	92	\$30,167

TOTAL APPROVED GRANT APPLICATIONS T & C, Club, Start-up, & Emergency	NUMBER OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS	AMOUNT GRANTED
2007-2008	70	\$15,520
2008-2009	96	\$21,518
2009-2010	48	\$16,583
2010-2011	62	\$23,071
2011-2012	92	\$24,561
2012-2013	104	\$32,860
2013-2014	99	\$32,752
2014-2015	104	\$43,765
2015-2016	130	\$38,385
2016-2017	110	\$33,984
2018-2019	92	\$30,167

THE ZOO

This was an exciting year for the Zoo, with the many changes and improvements that the Zoo has gone through. This is the first year with both a new Bar & Events Manager, Riley Miller, and a new Kitchen Manager, Warren McGinnis. With their stewardship, the Zoo has changed into an inviting culture to enjoy the time in between classes. In addition, there have been many successful events held in the Zoo due to the dedication of the Zoo staff and the innovative events created by Riley Miller and Jessica Jones. Not only has there been a change in culture, but there have also been many physical upgrades as well. With Riley's and Warren's hard work and the General Assembly's support, the Zoo has been repainted, acquired new taps, enhanced the payment devices, and strengthened the Zoo Menu with new dishes and design.

Daan Smit - VP Operations & Finance

Elections & Referendums

Spring 2018 Elections & Referendum



ELECTION SUMMARY

This year the University's IT Department completely revamped the voting process using new computer software and programming. It helped to eliminate the issues of students not being able to log into the Bridge to vote as the link in their emails led them directly to the voting site. Normally each year I would have about 50 students contact me to do a manual paper ballot, but this year it was 3 students. And, the only reason we had to do those 3 students is because they were open studies students with unusual enrolment circumstances. So that was fantastic! The voting turnout was 17.92%.

Cheri Pokarney - General Manager



CONSTITUTION REFERENDUM

The Students' Union's Legislative Review Committee has reviewed our constitution and is proposing relevant amendments in order to be a more efficient and effective organization for the betterment of all members of the Students' Union. All amendments or additions to the ULSU Constitution must be made by referendum.

REFERENDUM QUESTION

"Do you approve of the amendments to the Constitution of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union as proposed in this referendum?"

RESULTS:

YES votes: 1163
NO votes: 168

GENERAL ELECTION VOTER TURN-OUT

Spring 2019: 17.92%	Spring 2010: 21.18%
Spring 2018: 18.23%	Spring 2009: 30.27%
Spring 2017: 28.36%	Spring 2008: 27%
Spring 2016: 15.92%	Spring 2007: 30.54%
Spring 2015: 19.28%	Spring 2006: 26.89% e-voting
Spring 2014: 19.4%	Spring 2005: 10.08%
Spring 2013: 18.65%	Spring 2004: 7%
Spring 2012: 17.84%	Spring 2003: 12%
Spring 2011: 24.67%	Spring 2002: 15%

Incoming Council

Incoming Council for 2019-2020



Incoming Operations & Finance
Jordan Miles



Incoming Arts & Science Rep
Amy Lambert



Incoming Arts & Science Rep
Jonathan Diaz



Incoming Executive Council
Bailey, Andrew, Kate, Ryan

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

President

Andrew Gammack

VP Operations & Finance

Jordan Miles

VP Academic

Kate Potts

VP Student Affairs

Ryan Munn

VP External

Bailey Harray

Residence Rep

Parker Bijl

Calgary Campus Rep

Joe Babey

Education Rep

Ethan Pullan

FNMI Rep

Maya Many Grey Horses

Health Science Rep

Brianna Rogers

Fine Arts Rep

Holly Kletke

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Arts & Science Reps

Jonathan Diaz

Amy Lambert

Brennan Nikolai-Wilson

Cayley Fleischman

Imogen Pohl

Selena Boutilier

International Rep

Vacant: Fall By-Election

Dhillon School of Business Rep

Vacant x2: Fall By-election

1st Year Student Rep

Vacant: Fall By-election

Past Presidents

List of Past Presidents



Laura Bryan



Hailey Babb



Cameron Howey



Brenna Scott



Sean Glydon



Shuna Talbot



Armin Escher



Zack Moline



Taz Kassam



Jeremy Girard



Adam Vossepoel

2018/2019 - Laura Bryan (52nd)
 2017/2018 - Hailey Babb (51st)
 2016/2017 - Cameron Howey (50th)
 2015/2016 - Brenna Scott (49th)
 2014/2015 - Sean Glydon (48th)
 2013/2014 - Shuna Talbot (47th)
 2012/2013 - Armin Escher (46th)
 2011/2012 - Zack Moline (45th)
 2010/2011 - Taz Kassam (44th)
 2009/2010 - Jeremy Girard (43rd)
 2008/2009 - Adam Vossepoel (42nd)
 2007/2008 - Kelly Kennedy (41st)
 2006/2007 - Dustin Fuller (40th)
 2005/2006 - Tyler Tanner (39th)
 2004/2005 - Lorelee Edwards (38th)
 2003/2004 - Paul Daniels (37th)
 2002/2003 - Melanee Thomas (36th)
 2001/2002 - Matthew McHugh (35th)

2000/2001 - Dezmond Belzeck (34th)
 1999/2000 - Bonnie Androkovich (33rd)
 1998/1999 - Ryan Dunford (32nd)
 1997/1998 - Jon Wescott (31st)
 1996/1997 - Jason Shriner (30th)
 1995/1996 - Arthur Wong (29th)
 1994/1995 - Humberto Aspillaga (28th)
 1993/1994 - Poul Mark (27th)
 1992/1993 - Justin Penny (26th)
 1991/1992 - David Legg (25th)
 1990/1991 - Terry Whitehead (24th)
 1989/1990 - Jon Oxley (23rd)
 1988/1989 - Jon Oxley (22nd)
 1987/1988 - Jason Slemko (21st)
 1986/1987 - Dan Laplante (20th)
 1985/1986 - Aaron Engen (19th)
 1984/1985 - Tracy Hembroff (18th)
 1983 ----- - Mike McPhail (17th a)

-----1984 - Larry Glazer (17th b)
 1982/1983 - Chuck Cosgrove (16th)
 1981/1982 - Barry Weintraub (15th)
 1980/1981 - Rudy Peters (14th)
 1979/1980 - Alan Murray (13th)
 1978/1979 - Pat Dortch (12th)
 1977/1978 - Howard Reid (11th)
 1976/1977 - Wayne MacKay (10th)
 1975/1976 - Lee Ens (9th)
 1974/1975 - Darryl Ross (8th)
 1973/1974 - Khym Goslin (7th)
 1972/1973 - Jesse Snow (6th)
 1971/1972 - Ken Runge (5th)
 1970/1971 - Robin Dann (4th)
 1969/1970 - Lamont Nielson (3rd)
 1968/1969 - Richard Wutzke (2nd)
 1967/1968 - John Brocklesby (1st)



Kelly Kennedy



Dustin Fuller



Tyler Tanner



Lorelee Edwards



Paul Daniels



Melanee Thomas

MISSION

The mission of the University of Lethbridge Students' Union is to provide our students, as well as faculty, staff, and alumni a portal to the unique University of Lethbridge experience. The Students' Union complements the academic programs and enhances the overall educational experience and quality of campus life for students and other members of the U of L family.

As the heart of the student community, we are committed to student success by delivering a diverse program of cultural, educational, social and recreational services. We strive to surpass the needs of our multi-cultural student community, create a positive learning experience, and maintain a healthy balance between academic and leisure activities.

VISION

The ULSU and the University of Lethbridge will deliver extraordinary service, facilities, programs and opportunities that exceed the expectations of our students. The Students' Union will be recognized locally, provincially and nationally as a dynamic and innovative leader in the Canadian university community.



Matthew McHugh



Dezmond Belzeck



Bonnie Androkovich



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Jon Wescott



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