

“Transparency, Event Diversity, Creating Connections”

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Position: Vice President Students
Program: Bachelor of Arts



Hunting For Your Votes

Hi! My name is Kimberly Hunter, but you can call me Kim, and I am running for the Vice President of Students position. I am a second year student with an interest in business and most of the time you can find me either working or studying in the SUB building. Over my two years here, I've noticed a few things about UFV that work great, but I've also found a few things that do not work so great. If I am elected to the VPS position, I will work hard for you to make sure that these issues are addressed and dealt with to the best of my ability, while creating an environment that's enjoyable for everyone. So, what do I mean when I say “some things don't work so great”, and what exactly does the Vice President Students do?

VPS Portfolio:

The Vice President Students handles student geared programming and events and is responsible for creating an engaging, educational, and collaborative, culture on campus; as well as being an ardent and unequivocal defender of the voice of students. This is done a variety of ways, like creating diverse events that cater to student needs and expectations.

Events:

Part of the VPS position is creating events that attract a wide variety of students, and I think this is best done in partnership with the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity team, who already have established relationships with students and clubs that we can continue to build on

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such as; “Gayme Night” and Chat Sessions. Both events offer students critical elements of engagement and friendship building. Additionally, I would like to increase the diversity of events we see on campus, activities that get students moving and interacting with one another instead of sitting in lecture style information sessions. An example of this kind of event would be a UFV wide “Sports Days Event” where students engage with each other in friendly competitive or non-competitive spirit. Allowing students to move around, be active, and engaged with one another in games that will be both a physically and mental challenging.

Programming:

Another part of the VPS position is creating student specific programming that is a direct result of student needs and wants. For example, one of the things I mentioned above is that there are some “not so great things about UFV” and one of these is a lack of support for students who want to connect with their potential career path. There is a lack of career planning and connecting for all students, I want to remedy this situation as soon as possible, because looking down the line at graduation I want to be able to take advantage of every opportunity to ensure that my fellow students and I are going into the workforce well equipped with not only a degree but with career connections and experience. In this vein, if I am elected as your next VPS I will commit to working with both UFV and our extensive Alumni Association to create a better network of opportunities for current students to connect with career mentors and offer presentations and workshops on essential skills.

Transparency:

Transparency in process and procedure is an important hallmark of any organization, including the Student Union. Which is why I want to bring more clarity to space booking in the SUB, so students know exactly what bookings entail in terms of furnishings, labour costs, and which spaces are available to them. Additionally, the process and procedure around licensing and policies as they relate to students, clubs, and associations need to be made clear, understandable, and accessible to any of the aforementioned who might be in need of them. By making these procedures as streamlined and understandable as possible clubs, associations, and students in general can avoid unnecessary frustrations and SUB space use can be maximized for optimal use by students.

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As a member of the Student Union and student of UFV, I will work hard every day on behalf of students to make sure our voice is heard by advocating at all possible levels. Thank you for taking the time to read my statement, a vote for me is voice heard, so let's make that voice as loud as possible. Please consider voting for me between April 1st to April 4th.

If you have any questions, or would simply like to know more about my platform goals, or me! Please send me an email kimberly.hunter@student.ufv.ca, or stop me in the hallway, I'd love to get to know you and chat!

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