

**President
Report to the Board of Directors
May 2016**

This Month in Review (External Meetings, Etc.):

- May 5th: Academic Success Centre Committee Meeting
- May 5th: Meeting with Student Life regarding New Student Orientation
- May 6th-8th: SUS Retreat/Orientation
- May 10th: UFV Visioning 2025 meeting
- May 11th: Board Chair interviews
- May 11th: SUS Officers training
- May 13th: Meeting with StudentCare regarding SUS Health and Dental Plan
- May 13th: Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM) Subcommittee meeting
- May 16th: Student Awards Operations Committee
- May 17th: UFV Registrar Hiring Interviews
- May 17th: SUS Officers training
- May 18th: UFV Registrar Hiring Interviews
- May 18th: UFV New Student Orientation (Abbotsford): SUB Tours and SUS Info Booth at NSO Services Fair
- May 20th: UFV Registrar Hiring Interviews
- May 20th: Meeting with General Manager of Recreation Excellence
- May 23rd- May 27th: Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Foundations Conference
- May 24th: UFV New Student Orientation (Chilliwack): SUS Info Booth at NSO Services Fair
- May 26th: UFV New Student Orientation (Abbotsford): SUB Tours and SUS Info Booth at NSO Services Fair
- May 27th: StudentCare Stakeholders meeting
- May 30th: Changing the Conversation on Sexual Violence at Post-Secondary Institutions (UBC SASC event)
- May 30th: SUS Board of Directors meeting

Upcoming Meetings, Events, Etc.

- June 2nd/June 3rd: UFV Convocation 2016
- June 25th: SUS Entrance Scholarship Presentation
- June 27th: SUS Board of Directors Meeting

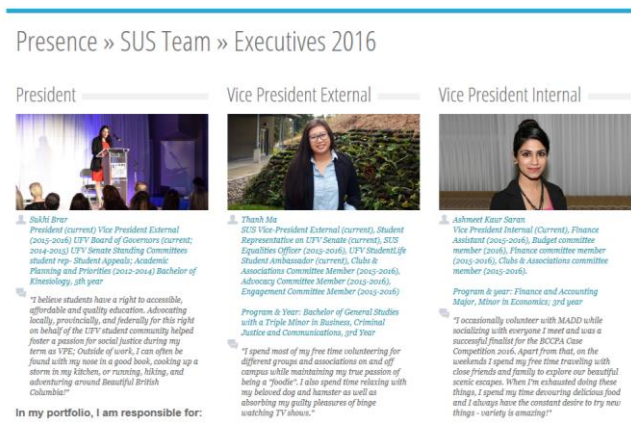


SUS Executives and Officers for the 2016-2017 term

1. General Updates from the President

1.1 New SUS Website Launched:

The new SUS Website launched late last month (www.ufvsus.ca)! A lot of content that had been posted on the old website needed to be revised and updated; a lot of these edits have been made in conjunction with the launch of our redesigned website. The new website has a crisp/clean look and it is easy to navigate. UFV students have been giving us a lot of positive feedback since the website went live. Over the summer, we will be continuing to update content and fix any broken or missing links and files. If you happen to notice anything on the website that needs updating, please email info@ufvsus.ca.



New layout of the SUS website (Home page and SUS Team- Executives 2016 page)

1.2 SUS President's Blog Launched:

The SUS President's Blog went live on Tuesday, May 24th (<https://suspresident.wordpress.com>). The purpose of this blog is to bring attention to important issues affecting the UFV student community and to share what I am up to throughout the term. The inaugural President's Blog post addresses the feature story on campus sexual assault that was published by *The Cascade* in April. [The content of this blog post was cross-published in the May 25th edition of *The Cascade*].



Inaugural SUS President's Blog post (Posted: May 24th, 2016)

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1.3 CASA Foundations Conference:

The CASA Foundations Conference took place May 23rd to May 27th in Ottawa, Ontario. Delegates from 21 student associations and student unions from across Canada attended the conference for an introduction to the work of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations. Delegates had a chance to reflect on past CASA advocacy efforts, discuss pertinent student issues in PSE, and vision for the year ahead. For a session-by-session breakdown of the conference, please refer to the VPE Report to the Board of Directors for this month.

On May 26th, a new CASA Board of Directors was elected to lead the organization for the upcoming term. CASA Committee memberships were elected and approved on May 27th. UFV has membership on the Trades and Tech Committee (TTC), the National Advocacy Team (NAT), and the Graduate Committee for the 2016-2017 term.



Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Foundations Conference (2016-2017 delegates)

1.4 Changing the Conversation on Sexual Violence at Post-Secondary Institutions:

Event occurring on May 30th at UBC SASC (details to be added here after the event).

2. Updates from the SUS Office

2.1 SUS Retreat/Orientation, Workshops, and Training:

The SUS retreat and orientation took place May 6th-8th. New officers and executives learned about the Student Union Society's mandate, organizational structure, and history. Additionally, new student staff learned about their job portfolios and relevant skills that would assist them in chairing committee meetings, hosting successful campus campaigns/events, etc. Post retreat, the VPI and VPE have hosted additional workshops to give officers an awareness of Robert's Rules of Order and an opportunity to practice conducting mock committee meetings. Following the retreat/orientation and workshops, the SUS officers facilitated SUB tours during New Student Orientation and tabled during the Services Fair to inform new UFV students about SUS services and engagement opportunities.

2.2 SUS Executives Work Hours Logs:

This term, I will be providing regular updates to the SUS Board of Directors on the hours worked by the Executive throughout the term. These hours will be centrally logged by all three SUS Executives every work day and formally tracked by me. Here is the May log of work hours up to and including May 29th, 2016:

	Sukhi	Thanh	Ashmeet
May Hours	208.50	162.00	131.50
Hours Per Work Day	9.48	7.36	5.98

	Sukhi	Thanh	Ashmeet		Sukhi	Thanh	Ashmeet
1-May-16	1.50	0.00	0.00	16-May-16	11.00	3.50	6.00
2-May-16	7.50	7.00	8.50	17-May-16	11.50	8.00	5.50
3-May-16	8.00	7.00	8.50	18-May-16	10.50	9.00	8.00
4-May-16	8.00	5.00	8.50	19-May-16	8.00	7.00	6.00
5-May-16	7.00	8.00	8.50	20-May-16	9.50	6.50	9.00
6-May-16	4.50	3.00	3.00	21-May-16	2.50	0.00	1.00
7-May-16	3.00	3.00	3.00	22-May-16	1.50	0.00	0.00
8-May-16	4.00	3.50	1.50	23-May-16	9.00	9.00	0.00
9-May-16	7.50	6.00	7.00	24-May-16	9.50	9.50	1.00
10-May-16	8.50	6.00	6.00	25-May-16	12.00	12.00	10.00
11-May-16	8.50	7.00	6.00	26-May-16	15.00	15.00	8.00
12-May-16	7.50	7.50	6.50	27-May-16	13.50	12.00	0.00
13-May-16	8.00	7.50	6.00	28-May-16	2.50	0.00	4.00
14-May-16	4.00	0.00	0.00	29-May-16	1.50	0.00	0.00
15-May-16	3.50	0.00	0.00	30-May-16	tbd	tbd	tbd
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3. UFV Updates

3.1 UFV Sexual Assault Policy Development:

The Sexual Violence and Misconduct Policy Act received Royal Assent on Thursday, May 21st in the BC Legislature. This Act requires BC post-secondary institutions to have policies that prevent and respond to sexual violence in place by May 2017. A committee will be struck to work on developing this policy; this committee will be jointly chaired by Jody Gordon, VP Students and I. More details to follow in the next President's Report to the Board of Directors.

3.2 UFV Program Approvals:

The Minister of Advanced Education has now approved four of the six UFV bachelor's degrees that were proposed and submitted to the Ministry for approval some time ago. These degrees are:

- Bachelor of Agricultural Science, Horticulture Major
- Bachelor of Arts, Indigenous Studies (Major and Minor)
- Bachelor of Education
- Bachelor of Media Arts (Concentrations in Applied Interactive Media, Digital Art, Interactive Media Leadership, Media and Performance, Screen Studies)

The Ministry still hasn't granted approval for the proposed degrees in Theatre and in Peace and Conflict Studies. UFV continues to work with the Ministry to bring these degree programs to our institution. More updates will be provided on this as they become available.

3.3 UFV Policy Revisions and Approvals:

The following UFV policies have been newly implemented or revised in the month of May:

New Policies

- *UFV Sponsorship Policy (234)* – approved at PEM on May 10, 2016

Revised Policies

- *Academic Program Reviews (189)* – approved at Senate on May 6, 2016
(formerly Academic Program and Unit Review)
- *Course Credit (105)* – approved at Senate on May 6, 2016
(formerly Assignment of Course Credits)



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