



Council of Alberta University Students

Student Financial Aid at For-Profit, Private Institutions Policy

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WHEREAS the Alberta student financial aid system is funded by public dollars and represents a key tool to ensure Alberta's public post-secondary system is accessible and affordable for all Albertans; and

WHEREAS for-profit, private institutions exist primarily for betterment of their shareholders, and do not hold the public interest as the foremost reason for their existence; and

WHEREAS for-profit educational institutions do not share the same goals of academic freedom, pursuit of knowledge for its own sake, and intellectual curiosity; and

WHEREAS the provincial government has a finite limit of financial resources to ensure that the post-secondary system is accessible and affordable for all Albertans.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Alberta University Students oppose the provision of Alberta student financial aid to students of for-profit, private post-secondary institutions.