

Senate Committee on Awards

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Re:	2022/2023 Annual Report
From:	Senate Committee on Awards
То:	Senate
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The Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Awards define its scope and relationship with Senate and other Senate committees. Annually in October, the committee presents a report to Senate on its business and proceedings over the previous academic year.

The Senate Committee on Awards met 12 times from July 2022 to June 2023:

July 6, 2022	August 17, 2022	September 9, 2022	October 12, 2022
November 7, 2022	December 7, 2022	January 11, 2023	February 8, 2023
March 24, 2023	April 13, 2023	May 13, 2023	June 20, 2023

During that year the Senate Committee on Awards approved **95** (103) new awards and **126** (74) revised awards for undergraduate and graduate students.

In the May 2022 to April 2023 academic year there were **4,244** (5,751) scholarships awarded to **3,203** (4,711) undergraduate students, with a total value of **\$11,487,780.89** (\$16,031,568.27).

NOTE: Previous year's (2021/2022) *figures are shown in brackets. Scholarships included in this report were adjudicated on the basis of academic performance in 2021-2022.*

For the 2022/2023 academic year, guided by the UVic Strategic Framework 2018-2023, our ability to offer a modified undergraduate scholarship program supported the strategy to attract, support and develop a diverse community of talented students, faculty and staff through enhanced resources.

This report reflects significant changes in the total number and values of scholarships offered in 2022/2023. It is important to note that the enhanced automatic entrance scholarship program that was introduced for the incoming class of 2020/21 was impacted by unforeseen grading changes in the secondary education system. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of high achieving students increased dramatically and resulted in a unprecedented number of students admitted with averages of 85% and higher.

For example, in 2019/2020, 336 students admitted with an average of 96% to 100% were offered renewable entrance scholarships, of which 123 accepted. In 2020/2021, we offered renewable scholarships to 585 students, of which 291 accepted. In 2021/2022, 948 students were offered renewable scholarships, of which 445 accepted. The number of entrance scholarships offered to students admitted with averages in the 85% to 95.99% range was 4,344 in 2019/2020, 5,040 in 2020/2021 and 5,956 in 2021/2022. These increases in the numbers of students admitted with averages of 85% and higher could not have been anticipated.

To ensure the financial sustainability of the entrance scholarship program, for the fall 2022 incoming class, base budget funded automatic renewable entrance scholarships were eliminated, scholarship values were lowered and the admission averages needed to qualify for automatic entrance scholarships were increased. The resulting significant reductions in both the number and total value of entrance scholarships are reflected in this report.

For 2023/2024, automatic renewable entrance scholarships previously funded out of base budget have not been reinstated. To improve the competitive position of our entrance scholarship program, automatic non-renewable entrance scholarship values have been increased and the admission averages required to qualify have been lowered. The impact of these improvements will be reflected in the report submitted to Senate in October 2024.

Entrance Scholarship Appeals

In 2022/2023 there were 35 entrance scholarship appeals considered by the Senate Committee on Awards of which 28 were approved and 7 not approved.

Of the entrance scholarship appeals received, 2 students were appealing to retain an offer of renewable scholarship and 33 were appealing to retain a non-renewable scholarship offer.

The 2 renewable scholarship appellants were requesting approval to retain a scholarship offer though their final grades were below the admission average required to qualify.

Of the non-renewable scholarship appellants, 26 were below the admission average required to retain their original scholarship offer, 6 were requesting approval to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load and 3 were requesting a deferral of the scholarship.

In-course Scholarship Appeals

In 2022/23 there were 89 in-course scholarship appeals considered by the Senate Committee on Awards, of which 82 were approved and 7 not approved.

Of the in-course scholarship appellants, 72 were requesting approval to retain a renewable scholarship and 17 were appealing to retain a non-renewable scholarship.

With regards to the renewable scholarship appeals, 45 students who did not meet the minimum GPA requirement of 7.50 were requesting approval to retain the scholarship, 20 were requesting to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load and 7 were requesting a deferral of the scholarship.

Of the non-renewable scholarship appeals, 9 students were requesting approval to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load and 8 were requesting a deferral of the scholarship.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Student Awards and Financial Aid made offers of entrance scholarships to academically outstanding students from Canadian secondary schools, international secondary schools and Canadian colleges and universities. In 2022/23 UVic awarded **1,090** (2,639) entrance scholarships (non-renewable) to **890** (2,313) students with a value of **\$2,760,035** (\$6,621,747.09). In addition, **45** (485) students received renewable scholarships for a total value of **\$302,500** (\$3,113,500). The total of all entrance scholarships and awards from base budget, donor funded and endowed sources was **\$3,062,535** (\$9,735,247.09).

Title of Scholarship	2022	2021	Value	Total Value 2022	Total Value 2021
Aga Khan Academy Scholarship	1	1	\$ 22,500	\$ 22,500	\$ 22,500
Ailsa & Roger Bishop Entrance Scholarship in Theatre	1	1	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 6,000
David H. Turpin National Entrance Scholarship	1	1	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
David Strong Entrance Scholarship	1	1	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Elsa Eleonora Fagerberg & Clara Maria Fagerberg Entrance Scholarship	1	1	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Fairfax Financial Ltd. Award	1	1	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship	2	4	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 24,000
Leeder Family Memorial Award in Economics	0	0	1/2 tuition	\$-	\$-
Leeder Family Memorial Award in Mathematics	0	0	1/2 tuition	\$-	\$-
Loran Scholarship	0	0	Varies	\$-	\$-
Maurice William Summerhayes Memorial Scholarship	2	4	\$ 10,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 40,000
National Entrance Scholarship	4	6	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000
Richard Gilhooley and Karen Ockelton Scholarship (new 2022)	1	-	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$-
Robert and Ellen Pearce Scholarship	3	2	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000
Schulich Leader Scholarship (Engineering)	1	1	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Schulich Leader Scholarship (Science)	1	1	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Seaborne-Langford Scholarship in Engineering	0	1	\$ 1	\$-	\$ 1,000
T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship	6	9	\$ 5,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 54,000
UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$7,000)	2	160	\$ 7,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 1,120,000
UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$6,000)	10	280	\$ 6,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 1,680,000
UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$5,000)	0	4	\$ 5,000	\$-	\$ 20,000
Vikes International Athlete Award	0	1	\$ 10,000	\$-	\$ 10,000
Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship	7	6	\$ 5,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 30,000
Totals	45	485		\$ 302,500	\$ 3,113,500

IN-COURSE SCHOLARSHIPS

UVic awarded **2,392** (2,114) non-renewable in-course scholarships to **1,551** (1,401) students with a value of **\$3,909,719.22** (\$3,215,366.99). In addition, **717*** (512) students received a renewal of their renewable scholarships for a total value of **\$4,515,526.67** (\$3,080,954.19). The total value of all in-course scholarships and awards was **\$8,425,245.89** (\$6,296,321.18).

*Total number of scholarship renewals was 717 as two students were eligible for renewals of two different scholarships.

Title of Scholarship	2022	2021	Value	Total 2022	Total 2021
Aga Khan Academy Scholarship	2	2	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Agamemnon Kasapi and Family Scholarship (new 2021)	2	2	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Ailsa & Roger Bishop Entrance Scholarship in Theatre	1	1	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Ailsa & Roger Bishop Entrance Scholarship in Theatre	2	1	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Albert Hung Chao Hong Scholarship in Int'l Business & Entrepreneurship	0	1	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0	\$ 1,500.00
Blakes Scholars Award	2	2	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Bob Worth Award in Economics	1	0	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0
David H. Turpin National Entrance Scholarship	2	2	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
David Strong Entrance Scholarship	1	2	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Elsa Eleonora & Clara Maria Fagerberg Scholarship	2	2	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Fairfax Financial Ltd. Award	2	1	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship	3	4	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship	7	5	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Langford-Seaborne Award for Indigenous Students in Humanities	1	0	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0
Langford-Seaborne Award for Indigenous Students in Social Sciences	1	0	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0
Leeder Family Memorial Award in Economics (new 2020)	4	4	varies	\$ 12,196.38	\$ 13,250.00
Leeder Family Memorial Award in Mathematics (new 2020)	1	3	varies	\$ 3,461.00	\$ 7,844.00
Loran Scholarship Renewal	2	2	varies	\$ 9,369.29	\$ 12,445.02
Mastercard Award in Cyber Security	1	0	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0
Maurice William Summerhayes Scholarship	10	11	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 110,000.00
National Entrance Scholarship	12	11	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 55,000.00
National Entrance Scholarship (\$2500 awarded on appeal)	0	1	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0	\$ 2,500.00
National Entrance Scholarship (Student needed fewer than 12 units to grad)	0	1	\$ 2,385.17	\$ 0	\$ 2,385.17
Ray and Naomi Simpson	5	4	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Robert & Ellen Pearce Scholarship	4	1	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Robert & Ellen Pearce Scholarship (\$2500 awarded on appeal)	0	1	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0	\$ 2,500.00
Schulich Leader Scholarship (Engineering)	3	3	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Schulich Leader Scholarship (Science)	2	3	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Scotiabank Scholarship for Law Students (new 2021)	3	2	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Seaborne Langford Scholarship in Engineering (new 2021) \$530 one-time top-up	1	1	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,530.00
T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship (\$3000 awarded on appeal)	0	1	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0	\$ 3,000.00
T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship	3	5	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship	2	7	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 31,500.00
T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship	12	6	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$7000	201	79	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,407,000.00	\$ 553,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$7000 (\$3500 awarded on appeal)	1	3	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6500	20	49	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 318,500.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6000	316	144	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,896,000.00	\$ 864,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6000 (3000 awarded on appeal)	7	12	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$5000	68	119	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 340,000.00	\$ 595,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$5000 (\$2500 awarded on appeal)	0	2	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0	\$ 5,000.00
UVic Excellence Scholarship \$2500	2	2	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Walker Wood Foundation Scholarship in Social Sciences	1	1	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship (\$2,500 awarded on appeal)	1	3	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship	8	6	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
TOTALS	719	512		\$ 4,515,526.67	\$ 3,080,954.19

The following table shows the total in-course funds awarded by scholarship category, GPA range for the President's Scholarships and the number of awards per faculty or program. The budget for the President's Scholarships is proportionally allocated by the number of students in each faculty or program in relation to the total student population.

	PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIPS			RENEWA	BLE	OTHER SCHOLA				
		AMOUNT	GPA RANGE	QTY	AMOUNT	QTY	AMOUNT	QTY	TOTALS	
SOCIAL SCIENCES	\$	108,800.52	8.56-9.00	41	\$ 803,196.38	132	\$ 503,004.12	281	\$ 1,415,001.02	
SCIENCE	\$	80,237.84	8.71-9.00	31	\$ 1,170,807.94	185	\$ 385,783.71	186	\$ 1,636,829.49	
HUMANITIES	\$	90,398.09	8.13-9.00	42	\$ 424,522.35	70	\$ 344,247.48	166	\$ 859,167.92	
ENGINEERING										
CIVE	\$	4,520.00	8.80-9.00	4	\$ 94,000.00	12	\$ 35,178.00	21	\$ 133,698.00	
BME	\$	0		0	\$ 99,000.00	12	\$ 38,867.00	17	\$ 137,867.00	
BSEN	\$	6,500.00	8.76-9.00	2	\$ 216,000.00	34	\$ 23,437.00	14	\$ 245,937.00	
CENG	\$	2,500.00	9.00	1	\$ 70,000.00	11	\$ 8,944.00	6	\$ 81,444.00	
MECH	\$	6,832.00	8.67-9.00	3	\$ 233,500.00	39	\$ 79,838.00	29	\$ 320,170.00	
CMSC	\$	33,904.81	8.76-9.00	12	\$ 304,500.00	47	\$ 70,286.00	30	\$ 408,690.81	
ELEC	\$	0		0	\$ 92,000.00	16	\$ 16,286.00	13	\$ 108,286.00	
HUMAN & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT										
HINF; PHSP	\$	17,173.00	7.00-8.88	11	\$ 10,000.00	2	\$ 49,401.00	21	\$ 76,574.00	
NURS	\$	18,000.00	8.88-9.00	9	\$ 20,000.00	4	\$ 132,013.00	47	\$ 170,013.00	
PADM	\$	0		0	\$ 0	0	\$ 7,321.00	2	\$ 7,321.00	
CHIL	\$	7,840.00	8.50-9.00	3	\$ 12,000.00	2	\$ 44,195.00	17	\$ 64,035.00	
SOCW	\$	5,295.00	8.00-8.75	3	\$ 6,000.00	1	\$ 36,924.87	14	\$ 48,219.87	
EDUCATION										
EPHE ,BSC	\$	17,657.40	8.89-9.00	8	\$ 108,500.00	18	\$ 114,101.94	58	\$ 240,259.34	
EDCD	\$	16,533.56	8.67-9.00	10	\$ 126,500.00	21	\$ 116,556.00	66	\$ 259,589.56	
FINE ARTS										
General	\$	0		0	\$0	0	\$ 0	0	\$0	
ARTH	\$	13,980.00	8.25-8.88	7	\$ 24,000.00	4	\$ 25,122.00	11	\$ 63,102.00	
MUSI	\$	5,598.00	8.13-9.00	7	\$ 120,500.00	19	\$ 274,682.00	90	\$ 400,780.00	
THEA	\$	5,183.00	8.00-8.81	5	\$ 99,000.00	16	\$ 45,338.00	24	\$ 149,521.00	
VISU	\$	8,655.00	8.70-9.00	3	\$ 86,000.00	14	\$ 39,922.00	17	\$ 134,577.00	
CREA	\$	6,129.00	8.56-9.00	4	\$ 165,500.00	24	\$ 46,045.00	24	\$ 217,674.00	
BUSINESS	\$	37,800.00	8.33-9.00	14	\$ 190,000.00	31	\$ 410,714.90	181	\$ 638,514.90	
LAW	\$	14,000.00	6.52-7.81	9	\$ 40,000.00	5	\$ 553,973.98	155	\$ 607,973.98	
TOTALS	\$	507,537.22	7.40-9.00	229	\$ 4,515,526.67	719	\$ 3,402,182.00	1,490	\$ 8,425,245.89	

Respectfully submitted,

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