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To: Senate

From: Senate Committee on Awards

Re: **2023/2024 Annual Report**

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 2023 to June 2024:

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| July 14, 2023 | August 16, 2023 | September 11, 2023 | October 11, 2023 |
| November 8, 2023 | December 6, 2023 | January 12, 2024 | February 5, 2024 |
| March 13, 2024 | April 8, 2024 | May 13, 2024 | June 19, 2024 |

During that year the Senate Committee on Awards approved **88** (95) new awards and **152** (126) revised awards for undergraduate and graduate students. In the May 2023 to April 2024 academic year there were **5,401** (4,244) scholarships awarded to **3,832** (3,203) undergraduate students, with a total value of **\$12,569,581.74** (\$11,487,780.89).

NOTE: Previous year's (2022/2023) figures are shown in brackets. Scholarships included in this report were adjudicated on the basis of academic performance in 2022-2023.

For the 2023/2024 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 changes in the total number and values of scholarships offered in 2023/2024. It is important to note that the enhanced automatic entrance scholarship program that was introduced for the incoming classes of 2020/21 and 2021/21 was impacted by unforeseen grading changes in the secondary education system. The number of high achieving students increased dramatically and resulted in an unprecedented number of students admitted with averages of 85% and higher.

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.

For 2023/2024, base budget funded automatic renewable entrance scholarships have not been reinstated. As a result, the cost of scholarship renewals will decline year by year until the majority of 2021/22 renewable scholarship recipients graduate in 2025. As each cohort of renewable scholarship recipients completes their programs of

study, the available scholarship budget will be used to increase the values of non-renewable scholarships. The impact of these improvements will be reflected in the 2024/25 annual report.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPEALS

In 2023/2024 there were 16 entrance scholarship appeals considered by the Senate Committee on Awards of which 13 were approved and 3 not approved.

Of the entrance scholarship appeals received, 2 students were appealing to retain an offer of renewable scholarship and 14 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, 11 were below the admission average required to retain their original scholarship offer, 3 were requesting approval to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load.

IN-COURSE SCHOLARSHIP APPEALS

In 2023/24 there were 33 in-course scholarship appeals considered by the Senate Committee on Awards, of which 27 were approved and 6 not approved.

Of the in-course scholarship appellants, 26 were requesting approval to retain a renewable scholarship and 7 were appealing to retain a non-renewable scholarship.

With regards to the renewable scholarship appeals, 19 students who did not meet the minimum GPA requirement of 7.50 were requesting approval to retain the scholarship, 4 were requesting to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load and 3 were requesting a deferral of the scholarship.

Of the non-renewable scholarship appeals, 6 students were requesting approval to retain the scholarship at a reduced course load and 1 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 2023/24 UVic awarded **1,997** (1,090) entrance scholarships (non-renewable) to **1,423** (890) students with a value of **\$4,051,791** (\$2,760,035). In addition, **39** (45) students received donor funded renewable scholarships for a total value of **\$279,368** (\$302,500). The total of all entrance scholarships and awards from base budget, donor funded and endowed sources was **\$4,331,159** (\$3,062,535).

| Title of Scholarship | 2023 | 2022 | Value | Total Value 2023 | Total Value 2022 |
|--|------|------|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| Aga Khan Academy Scholarship | 1 | 1 | \$ 22,500 | \$ 22,500 | \$ 22,500 |
| Ailsa & Roger Bishop Entrance Scholarship in Theatre | 0 | 1 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 4,000 |
| 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 | 0 | 1 | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 |
| Fairfax Financial Ltd. Award | 1 | 1 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 6,000 |
| John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship | 2 | 2 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 12,000 | \$ 10,000 |
| Joyce Family Foundation Award for Indigenous Students | 1 | 0 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 5,000 | \$ - |
| Leeder Family Memorial Award in Economics | 1 | 0 | \$ 3,868 | \$ 3,868 | \$ - |
| Leeder Family Memorial Award in Mathematics | 0 | 0 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Loran Scholarship | 0 | 0 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Maurice William Summerhayes Memorial Scholarship | 4 | 2 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 40,000 | \$ 20,000 |
| National Entrance Scholarship | 5 | 4 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 20,000 |
| Richard Gilhooley and Karen Ockelton Scholarship | 0 | 1 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 6,000 |
| Robert and Elen Pearce Scholarship | 2 | 3 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 15,000 |
| Schulich Leader Scholarship (Engineering) | 1 | 1 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 25,000 |
| Schulich Leader Scholarship (Science) | 1 | 1 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 20,000 |
| Seaborne-Langford Scholarship in Engineering | 2 | 0 | \$ 1,000 | \$ 2,000 | \$ - |
| T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship | 5 | 6 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 30,000 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$5,000) | 0 | 0 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$6,000) | 8 | 10 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 48,000 | \$ 60,000 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship (\$7,000) | 0 | 2 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 14,000 |
| Vikes International Athlete Award | 0 | 0 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship | 3 | 7 | \$ 5,000 | \$ 15,000 | \$ 35,000 |
| Totals | 39 | 45 | | \$ 279,368 | \$ 302,500 |

IN-COURSE SCHOLARSHIPS

UVic awarded **2,787** (2,391) non-renewable in-course scholarships to **1,792** (1,551) students with a value of **\$4,483,189.24** (\$3,909,719.22).

In addition, **578**** (717*) students received a renewal of their renewable scholarships for a total value of **\$3,755,233.50** (\$4,515,526.67).

The total value of all in-course scholarships and awards is **\$8,238,422.74** (\$8,425,245.89).

**Total number of scholarship renewal recipients differs from above as three students received two different scholarship renewals and five students had their scholarships renewed in May 2023 and then again in January 2024.

*Total number of scholarship renewal recipients differs from above as two students received two different scholarship renewals.

| Renewable Scholarships | 2023 | 2022 | Value | Total 2023 | Total 2022 |
|--|------------|------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Aga Khan Academy Scholarship | 2 | 2 | \$ 22,500.00 | \$ 45,000.00 | \$ 45,000.00 |
| Agamemnon Kasapi and Family Scholarship | 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 | 1 | 2 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 12,000.00 |
| Alan Steven John Award in Visual Arts | 1 | 0 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Albert Hung Chao Hong Scholarship in Int'l Business & Entrepreneurship | 3 | 0 | \$ 1,500.00 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Blakes Scholars Award | 2 | 2 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Bob Worth Award in Economics | 2 | 1 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 2,500.00 |
| David H. Turpin National Entrance Scholarship | 2 | 2 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 |
| David Strong Entrance Scholarship | 0 | 1 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Elsa Eleonora & Clara Maria Fagerberg Scholarship | 2 | 2 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Fairfax Financial Ltd. Award | 2 | 2 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 12,000.00 | \$ 12,000.00 |
| John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship | 2 | 3 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship | 7 | 7 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 42,000.00 | \$ 42,000.00 |
| Langford-Seaborne Award for Indigenous Students in Humanities | 1 | 1 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Langford-Seaborne Award for Indigenous Students in Social Sciences | 1 | 1 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 940.00 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Leeder Family Memorial Award in Economics | 1 | 4 | varies | \$ 3,664.30 | \$ 12,196.38 |
| Leeder Family Memorial Award in Mathematics | 4 | 1 | varies | \$ 14,798.00 | \$ 3,461.00 |
| Loran Scholarship Renewal | 2 | 2 | varies | \$ 12,331.20 | \$ 9,369.29 |
| Mastercard Award in Cyber Security | 2 | 1 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Maurice William Summerhayes Scholarship | 9 | 10 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 90,000.00 | \$ 100,000.00 |
| National Entrance Scholarship | 12 | 12 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 60,000.00 | \$ 60,000.00 |
| Ray and Naomi Simpson | 3 | 5 | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Richard Gilhooley and Karen Ockelton Scholarship | 1 | 0 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Robert & Ellen Pearce Scholarship | 5 | 4 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 25,000.00 | \$ 20,000.00 |
| Schulich Leader Scholarship (Engineering) | 2 | 3 | \$ 25,000.00 | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 75,000.00 |
| Schulich Leader Scholarship (Science) | 4 | 2 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 80,000.00 | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Scotiabank Scholarship for Law Students | 2 | 3 | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 20,000.00 | \$ 30,000.00 |
| Seaborne Langford Scholarship in Engineering | 1 | 1 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship | 1 | 0 | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship | 9 | 3 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 45,000.00 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship | 0 | 2 | \$ 4,500.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 9,000.00 |
| T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship | 10 | 12 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 60,000.00 | \$ 72,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$7,000 | 173 | 201 | \$ 7,000.00 | \$ 1,211,000.00 | \$ 1,407,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$7,000 (\$3,500 awarded on appeal) | 2 | 1 | \$ 3,500.00 | \$ 7,000.00 | \$ 3,500.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6,500 | 1 | 20 | \$ 6,500.00 | \$ 6,500.00 | \$ 130,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6,000 | 288 | 316 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 1,728,000.00 | \$ 1,896,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$6,000 (\$3,000 awarded on appeal) | 3 | 7 | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 21,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$5,000 | 8 | 68 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 40,000.00 | \$ 340,000.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$5,000 (\$2,500 awarded on appeal) | 0 | 0 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| UVic Excellence Scholarship \$2,500 | 2 | 2 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Walker Wood Foundation Scholarship in Social Sciences | 0 | 1 | \$ 4,000.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship (\$2,500 awarded on appeal) | 0 | 1 | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Wilson S.C. Lai Scholarship | 10 | 8 | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 40,000.00 |
| TOTALS | 586 | 719 | | \$ 3,755,233.50 | \$ 4,515,526.67 |

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

| | PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP | | | SCHOLARSHIP RENEWALS | | OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----|----------------------|-----|--------------------|-------|-----------------|
| | AMOUNT | GPA RANGE | QTY | AMOUNT | QTY | AMOUNT | QTY | TOTALS |
| SOCIAL SCIENCES | \$ 108,137.53 | 8.67-9.00 | 35 | \$ 672,604.30 | 105 | \$ 647,221.41 | 349 | \$ 1,427,963.24 |
| SCIENCE | \$ 95,219.48 | 8.75-9.00 | 44 | \$ 965,963.60 | 146 | \$ 561,978.27 | 259 | \$ 1,623,161.35 |
| HUMANITIES | \$ 72,927.00 | 8.38-9.00 | 27 | \$ 370,165.60 | 60 | \$ 402,138.14 | 190 | \$ 845,230.74 |
| ENGINEERING | | | | | | | | |
| CIVE | \$ 12,312.50 | 8.83-9.00 | 6 | \$ 51,000.00 | 9 | \$ 43,734.50 | 24 | \$ 107,047.00 |
| BME | \$ 0.00 | | 0 | \$ 65,000.00 | 7 | \$ 55,214.00 | 27 | \$ 120,214.00 |
| BSEN | \$ 10,000.00 | 9.00-9.00 | 3 | \$ 209,000.00 | 30 | \$ 34,312.00 | 16 | \$ 253,312.00 |
| CENG | \$ 0.00 | | 0 | \$ 66,000.00 | 10 | \$ 12,350.00 | 6 | \$ 78,350.00 |
| MECH | \$ 20,162.00 | 8.75-9.00 | 8 | \$ 185,000.00 | 30 | \$ 84,287.29 | 34 | \$ 289,449.29 |
| CMSC | \$ 31,799.50 | 8.75-9.00 | 13 | \$ 244,000.00 | 37 | \$ 63,218.52 | 32 | \$ 339,018.02 |
| ELEC | \$ 3,248.00 | 8.83-9.00 | 3 | \$ 91,000.00 | 15 | \$ 57,231.00 | 22 | \$ 151,479.00 |
| HUMAN & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT | | | | | | | | |
| HINF; PHSP | \$ 10,709.00 | 8.80-9.00 | 3 | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 42,901.00 | 19 | \$ 53,610.00 |
| NURS | \$ 21,679.00 | 8.60-9.00 | 15 | \$ 5,000.00 | 1 | \$ 156,927.00 | 58 | \$ 183,606.00 |
| PADM | \$ 1,580.00 | 7.70-8.25 | 2 | \$ 5,000.00 | 1 | \$ 3,400.00 | 4 | \$ 9,980.00 |
| CHIL | \$ 3,047.54 | 8.56-8.63 | 2 | \$ 12,000.00 | 2 | \$ 34,690.00 | 15 | \$ 49,737.54 |
| SOCW | \$ 9,852.00 | 8.20-8.50 | 4 | \$ 29,000.00 | 5 | \$ 15,869.00 | 11 | \$ 54,721.00 |
| EDUCATION | | | | | | | | |
| EPHE ,BSC | \$ 14,383.00 | 8.89-9.00 | 5 | \$ 105,000.00 | 17 | \$ 168,951.60 | 75 | \$ 288,334.60 |
| EDCD | \$ 28,314.37 | 8.78-9.00 | 17 | \$ 115,000.00 | 19 | \$ 143,411.75 | 89 | \$ 286,726.12 |
| FINE ARTS | | | | | | | | |
| General | \$ 0.00 | | 0 | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 |
| ARTH | \$ 9,157.69 | 8.75-9.00 | 4 | \$ 18,000.00 | 3 | \$ 19,783.00 | 13 | \$ 46,940.69 |
| MUSI | \$ 10,850.00 | 8.69-8.84 | 5 | \$ 116,000.00 | 18 | \$ 213,456.00 | 86 | \$ 340,306.00 |
| THEA | \$ 5,278.00 | 8.38-8.63 | 4 | \$ 79,000.00 | 13 | \$ 44,361.00 | 22 | \$ 128,639.00 |
| VISU | \$ 11,390.00 | 8.25-8.88 | 3 | \$ 70,000.00 | 11 | \$ 49,026.20 | 25 | \$ 130,416.20 |
| CREA | \$ 8,643.00 | 8.57-8.78 | 4 | \$ 97,000.00 | 16 | \$ 56,739.00 | 30 | \$ 162,382.00 |
| BUSINESS | \$ 37,227.00 | 8.20-8.82 | 14 | \$ 154,500.00 | 27 | \$ 419,897.20 | 171 | \$ 611,624.20 |
| LAW | \$ 5,000.00 | 6.46-7.14 | 5 | \$ 30,000.00 | 4 | \$ 621,174.75 | 131 | \$ 656,174.75 |
| TOTALS | \$ 530,916.61 | | 226 | \$ 3,755,233.50 | 586 | \$ 3,952,272.63 | 1,708 | \$ 8,238,422.74 |

Respectfully submitted,

2024-2025 Senate Committee on Awards

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