

Date: 27/11/2018
To: Students' Union Council
Re: VP(X) 2018/19 Report

Dear Council,

Apologies for not being at this meeting, I am gearing up for a lot of travel (but still haven't packed...) and couldn't be more excited to advocate with colleagues from across the country in a unified student voice! Keep an eye on my Instagram (adam.brown1) where I will be sharing videos on my Story about the various things I'll be doing. On a separate fun note, **I will buy the first person to email me at adam.brown@su.ualberta.ca with the correct answer to the following question a UofA toque, scarf or mittens:**

- Question: How many provinces have I been to since becoming VP External? (If you give me the number and list every province, I'll buy the winner 2 of the 3 items!)

1. Updates

- **UEQ meetings in Sherbrooke:** On Nov. 22nd I travel to Sherbrooke, Quebec with 5 other CASA board members to attend a caucus meeting of the Union Étudiant du Québec. I am very excited to continue engaging with our partners in Quebec, as CASA is the only national student organization that represents Quebec students.
- **CASA Advocacy Week 2018:** President Larsen, EAA Nelson and I will be in Ottawa with all CASA delegates to meet with over 140 MPs and Senators. This is one of the largest lobby efforts on the country, and we will be using the hashtag #StudentsTakeTheHill on social media if you want to follow along. I will have a larger update on this once I am back in Edmonton.
- **CSJ funding negotiations:** I have sent a [letter to Mélanie Joly](#), Minister of Tourism, Official Languages and the Francophonie, on behalf of the SU calling on the federal government to increase support for Campus Saint-Jean. The federal and all provincial governments are currently re-negotiating Official Languages Program Support funding of which Campus Saint-Jean is a beneficiary. It is important that the federal government recognize the growing demand for post-secondary education in French in Alberta and the current state of Campus Saint-Jean in not being able to address those needs. MP Linda Duncan also asked Minister Joly about Campus Saint-Jean funding in Question period
- **GOTV @ CSJ:** I joined GOTV Coordinator Raitz and several volunteers at Campus Saint-Jean to help encourage students to pledge to vote. GOTV Coordinator Raitz has informed me that we have passed 1000 pledges, a huge feat in such little time! If you have not yet pledged to vote, head to licensetocomplain.ca.

2. Coming up

- The advocacy mentioned above and all ensuing follow-ups.

- **Senate:** The Senate plenary will be taking place December 6th & 7th. The agenda has not yet been released.

I will not be in the office until December 3rd, so if you have any written questions please email me. I encourage you all to tweet about CASA's AdvoWeek and follow CASA @casaacae!

Kind regards,



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