

# Student Supports

### Rationale

Expectations on the financial support SAMU provides to MacEwan University students ensures that financial support is distributed fairly, responsibly, and in a fiscally prudent manner.

Expectations on the services SAMU provides and how those services are evaluated, allowing for adjustments to their operational regulations within a procedural framework.

# Definitions

#### **Expectations**

#### Financial

**1** SAMU provides financial support to its members through the following:

1.1 scholarships and bursaries;

1.2 interest-free short-term emergency loans;

**1.3** grants to students for activities that enhance their educational experience.

**2** SAMU's efforts to provide financial support to its members are done according to procedures that set forth eligibility requirements, processes for student application, and any obligations of the recipients.

**3** SAMU's initiatives to provide financial support to its members are done within annually budgeted limits.

### Services

4 Services in support of SAMU's objectives are provided to its members, encompassing:

- 4.1 Minimizing Financial Burdens
- **4.2** Cultural Awareness
- **4.3** Communication to Students
- 4.4 Building Community
- 4.5 Advocacy



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- 4.6 Health and Safety
- 4.7 Sustainability



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# Fact Sheet

Approvals:

First Approval – September 16, 2015 Last Approval – October 20, 2021

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# **Related Documents and Forms:**

## Source and Updates:

September 16, 2015: *Student Services* approved by Students' Council motion 2015-09-16-6.3 on the recommendation of the Bylaws and Policy Committee. Source material drawn from Policy 18 – Financial Support and Policy 21 – Services, which have both been retired.

December 16, 2015: *Student Services* approved by Students' Council motion 2015-12-16-6.3 on the recommendation of Executive Committee. Death of a student donation amount increased to \$100 from \$50.

October 20, 2021: *Student Supports* approved by Students' Council motion 2021-10-20-7.2 on the recommendation of the Bylaws and Policy Committee. Changes include renaming policy from "Student Services" and removing donation requirement in the case of a death of a student.