



Calgary Medical Students' Association

Q1 Report

December 2023 - March 2024

For any questions regarding the progress updates presented in this report or any other inquiries regarding the CMSA, please contact us at cmsa.studentgov@gmail.com. We thank you for your engagement in the CMSA and look forward to hearing from you!

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President, Calgary Medical Students Association



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December 2023:

Meeting with SAW (Dr. Carolyn Hutchinson - Assistant Dean of Student Advocacy and Wellness Hub, Dr. Naomi Lear - Associate Director) - December 20, 2023

- Discussed concerns in the Class of 2026 and how the SAW office can better support students in the upcoming block. Topics included:
 - Supports for those affected by the ongoing Israel-Palestine conflict
 - Additional resources for mistreatment. Specifically, hosting a workshop/event that discusses what mistreatment looks like, how to deal with mistreatment at the moment/if witnessed, what mechanisms are in place to report mistreatment, etc.
 - General concerns regarding the unpredictability of RIME and not knowing what to expect in the coming months, lack of communication with UME

January 2024:

Meeting with Dr. Amy Bromley (Associate Dean of Undergraduate Medical Education) - January 12, 2024

- Discussed several topics, including:
 - The “Calls to Action” and our statement, specifically the current progress of our statement and when we will be releasing it
 - Considerations for improving the letter and modifying the language (i.e., making the letter less inflammatory, consulting with groups using a professional third-party facilitation service provided by the UME, concerns of faculty resigning from teaching positions and the strain this will put on our education, etc.)
 - Considerations for overturning decisions made by previous councils (i.e., we are not bound by decisions made in previous meetings, so long as we agree on a new decision and direction—especially if we feel that our council has different needs/priorities than the previous one)
 - Resources available for learning how to talk to the media (in case media outlets reach out to the CMSA for statements)
 - Resources available through SAW for stress around leadership
 - Some of my plans and projects as the CMSA President, specifically regarding interprofessional high school outreach initiative

Planning for iCAM/CFMS Spring General Meeting in Vancouver, April 11-13 2024

- UME will be funding 3 representatives to attend (President - Rafael, VP Academics - Shiva, VP SAW - Khushi) as per the UME Travel Policy
- CMSA will be funding 2 representatives to attend (VP External National - Maharshi, VP Community and Global Health - Genevieve) as per the UME Travel Policy
- Additional representatives can be funded through CMSA funds, external grants (UME Conference Fund, SU Travel Fund, CFMS Travel Equity Fund), or out-of-pocket

Interprofessional High School Outreach Initiative

- Contacted Undergraduate Research Initiative at UAlberta to get more information about their “More Minds Initiative”, and was referred to Parker Wengryn (MD Student at UAlberta and the lead of this initiative)

Canadian Federation of Medical Students - Presidents’ Roundtable Meeting - January 21, 2024

- CFMS is continuing to advocate to ensure that the integrity of the CaRMS match is maintained and that biased evaluations against a candidate are minimized within the context of the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Israel/Palestine
- Spring General Meeting (SGM) dates are confirmed on April 11th-15th. The finalized conference agenda has not been released yet and the registration date for SGM remains TBD
- We will be booking flights/hotels for our representatives once the agenda is released and registration opens for SGM through the CFMS

Meeting with Parker Wengryn (MD Student) from the University of Alberta - January 22, 2024

- Gained insightful advice and considerations for a high school outreach initiative with the Cumming School of Medicine
- Potential opportunity for a collaboration between UAlberta and UCalgary

Accreditation Meetings on January 24-25, 2025

- Meetings were productive and there was lots of fruitful discussion with the accreditors on both days. General themes of discussion included the SAW Office, RIME, and general academic/institutional concerns.
- The push for an MD student-exclusive lounge is not continuing. Reasons include a lack of student interest in the issue, a lack of problems with sharing the lounge, the importance of access to the breastfeeding room for all CSM students, etc.

Class President’s Meeting - January 30, 2024

- Updates from UME:
 - The new Flex Day Policy includes an increase in the number of students per day to 20 (from 10), which will be in effect as soon as the policy is approved at UMEC (the next meeting is on March 1). Half-days will be implemented (6 half-days in total per block), but this will not be in effect until July (Block 3) to ensure fairness for students in this block
 - Students have reached out to UME expressing concern about sick students. UME would like us to send a message that students should not come to school when they are unwell
 - Students are struggling to identify preceptors for shadowing
 - We are “out-shadowing” the class of 2025 at least three-fold, the diversity of specialties and the sheer number of shadowing has increased
 - UME recommends that students visit the Department websites to find contact information of preceptors at UCalgary
 - They have also recommended contacting the pre-clinical educators and block directors

- Introduction to Clerkship session is planned for March 12
 - Communicated to the class earlier today (January 31st)
- Graduation Funding from Student Survey Responses
 - This is a policy from the UME for graduation funding, there is a rubric with the specific details at:
<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/sites/default/files/teams/4/Policies/C/CMSA%20Funding%20Support.pdf>
 - Surveys Breakdown:

Graduation Funding Rubric:

Survey response rates required to receiving funding support from UME for Graduation	Timing of Survey	Amount of support
Clinical core preceptor evaluations – 80%	Year 1, 2	\$1,000.00
Daily lecture / small group preceptor evaluations – 50%	Year 1, 2	1,000.00
End-of-course evaluations – 75%	Year 1, 2	1,000.00
End-of-year survey – 75%	Year 1, 2, 3	1,000.00
Clerkship end-of-block evaluations – \$0.50 per completed survey for each end of rotation block (to a maximum of \$2,000)	Year 3	2,000.00
Canadian Graduation Questionnaire – 80%	Year 3	2,000.00
BONUS SUPPORT: If all of the above reaches a mean of 80% (for discussion)	Year 1, 2, 3	\$2,000.00

- We can get up to \$10,000 from the UME to fund graduation if we have a high response rate on several surveys throughout Years 1-3
- Other updates:
 - Professionalism Concerns: These can be communicated to the Professionalism representatives or UME for a formal complaint. Outcomes can include coaching, being asked to report to SARC, ending up on an academic file, etc.
 - Concerns about research during pre-clerkship and its importance in residency applications
 - Was assured that our match rates are the same and potentially even better than the rest of the country, even in competitive specialties, despite limited research opportunities in the Legacy curriculum. This supports that research is not the “end-all-be-all” for getting matched
 - UME will attempt to collect a sampling of information from UCalgary residency directors regarding their insights into the importance of research for their programs to share with students
 - Programs are supposed to list what they are looking for according to the “Best Practices in Residency Application and Selection (BPAS)”
 - For example, on the topic of advocacy petitions and CaRMS, several programs at UCalgary explicitly stated that they cannot use this information to assess and select a candidate
 - Several programs take these BPAS very seriously
 - Non-residency options for MD graduates
 - Little information is available, but Dr. Kevin Busche is happy to meet up with students interested in pursuing alternative career choices

Communication with Palestinian Students - Ongoing

- Working with VP EDI K. Yang to set up a meeting with the Palestinian students regarding ongoing issues

Concerns Regarding CMSA Fees - Ongoing

- Will be working with VP Finance J. Wytsma to discuss concerns with the UME regarding the mandatory CMSA fees solicited upon admission to the MD program

Provincial Day of Action 2024 - Ongoing

- Joined the PDoA 2024 Training and Delegate Team, which will be going to the Legislature in Edmonton to advocate for improved Access to Primary Care to the provincial MLAs on April 6th-8th
- Awaiting further information regarding specifics

AMBOSS Collaboration - Ongoing

- Given strong student interest from UCalgary, AMBOSS has offered to promote a group discount for our class and host a webinar on how to best utilize the platform for exam preparation
- AMBOSS has also offered to support the c2027 orientation, as well as the same group student discount offered in July
- Will be continuing communication with the AMBOSS team regarding specific sponsorship/promotion options for our class and the c2027 orientation

Canadian Association of Latin Medical Students - Ongoing

- Invited to participate in the expansion and projects for the CALMS
- Currently assisting with grant writing for CFMS funding

CMSA Advocacy Survey - Ongoing

- Low response engagement from students—possible survey/CMSA fatigue
- Feedback has been generally insightful so far

February 2024:

Meeting with Palestinian Advocacy Group - February 4, 2024

- Met with the Palestinian Advocacy Group with VP EDI K. Yang, and c2025 VP External National S. Alatorre
- Discussed updates with the Calls to Action and potential next steps for a statement regarding the situation

Meeting regarding EDI concerns within our class - February 4, 2024

- Met with VP EDI K. Yang to discuss EDI concerns within our class

Meeting with AMBOSS - February 5, 2024

- Met with AMBOSS to discuss plans about potential AMBOSS involvement at Orientation and running a webinar/discount for our class
- Orientation plans TBD
- Webinar scheduled for February 20, 2024

Wellness and Academic Roundtable - February 5, 2024

- Attended WAR meeting to observe and take notes
- Provided an update on the new Flex Day policy and finding preceptors for shadowing

Meeting with Bilbies - February 5, 2024

- Met to discuss concerns regarding their graduation funding and whether the CMSA can help cover part of the \$8,127 fine associated with changing their venue

Meeting with Shannon Leskosky - February 8, 2024

- Booked registration, flights and hotel for iCAM 2024 along with VP Academic S. Ivaturi and VP SAW K. Arora

Meeting with Fairware - February 9, 2024

- Met with Fairware to discuss the Patagonia sale for our class, aiming to run it in the summer/early fall
- There will be the same colours and designs, as well as ¼-zip sweaters

Trans Health Open Letter - Ongoing

- Was contacted by a student in c2024 to help disseminate an open letter to students regarding the Alberta Government's policy announcement regarding gender-affirming care
- Forwarded the concern to VP Communications L. Iliscupidez, and referred the student to VP EDI K. Yang and VP External Provincial M. Kimura to discuss our CMSA statement regarding the issue

MMI Guide Blurb

- Worked with VP Communications L. Iliscupidez to write a CMSA blurb for the incoming applicant MMI Guide

Meeting with Canadian Association of Latin Medical Students (CALMS) - February 18, 2024

- Introductory meeting with other Latin medical students across Canada
- Discussed updates and goals of the organization in the upcoming year

Bilbies Graduation Funding Update - February 22, 2024

- The UME will be covering the \$8,127 fine for the graduation venue issue!
- Future graduation events will involve more active consultation between the UME and the CMSA

Meeting with George Mulvey (ATSSL Manager) - February 22, 2024

- Orientation meeting for the MMI weekend anatomy lab tours

Meeting Jewish Students - February 23, 2024

- Met with VP EDI K. Yang and a student representing a group of Jewish students in our class to discuss updates and concerns with a Calls to Action statement from the CMSA, as well as potential next steps

Meeting with Dr. Todd Anderson, Dr. Beverly Adams, and Dr. Lisa Welikovitch - February 26, 2024

- Discussed updates regarding the CMSA statement on the Calls to Action, the art installation incident and next steps, potential collaboration in communicating to preceptors that have left teaching positions, and the mock accreditation visits

AMBOSS Class Discount - February 26, 2024

- Got an extension for the 40% AMBOSS discount until February 26th, 2024
- Got lots of great feedback from our class, and a lot of students signed up for the subscription!
- AMBOSS will be running the offer again in July when the incoming first-years start classes

Canadian Federation of Medical Students - Marking for Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools (CACMS) Student Representative Jr. Position - February 28, 2024

- Completed evaluation process for applicants to the CACMS Student Rep. Jr position

March 2024:

Meeting with Casta Latina - March 2, 2024

- Discussed collaboration with CALMS in producing a series of videos to promote CALMS and show day-in-the-life videos of Latin medical students

Canadian Federation of Medical Students - Presidents' Roundtable Meeting - March 2, 2024

- No substantial CFMS updates at this time
- Provided updates regarding UCalgary activities and discussed some challenges:
 - Statement on the Israel-Palestine conflict:
 - McMaster is in a similar situation, their MedSoc sent out a response to the push for a statement on a set of Calls to Action
 - UAlberta sent out a statement that focused on student support when the conflict escalated in the fall, but have not sent out another statement given the possibility of causing harm to students
 - UpToDate funding: there are a mix of funding models at different schools
 - McMaster: MedSoc pays for it
 - UAlberta: UME pays for half, MedSoc pays for half
 - Western: University of Windsor has a subscription so students at the Windsor campus get a subscription (but not students at the London Campus)
 - Dalhousie: Nova Scotia government pays for it so students have access as part of the hospitals, New Brunswick libraries pay for it for students at that campus

MMI Coffee Houses - March 1-2 & 8, 2024

- Participated in MMI Coffee Houses to answer questions about UCalgary Medicine, the CMSA, and more!

MMI Anatomy Lab Tours - March 3, 2024

- Participated in the MMI Anatomy Lab tour to inform applicants about the space and answer questions!

Meeting with Critical Incident Working Group - March 4, 2024

- Was invited to a working group with Dr. Bromley and members of the SAW Office, as well as some of the upper-year CMSA council members and a group of nursing students to discuss ways to deal with critical incidents in the student population
- Productive meeting—discussed strategies for improving communication with students and streamlining the response process for an incident involving a student (death, severe injury/illness, etc.)

Provincial Day of Action (PDoA) Training Meeting #1 - March 5, 2024

- Discussed general information and timelines for the PDoA delegation and training teams

Class President's Meeting - March 12, 2024

- Discussed general concerns from the class regarding CEL placements and the overall negative feedback gathered from students
 - The CEL team is open to receiving feedback from students regarding their community placements to improve the program going forward
- Got approved to use the UME Office as a shipping address moving forward
 - Will have to notify the UME Office ahead of time when things are arriving
 - Will be used for AMBOSS merchandise and Patagonia sale later this year
- Discussed UpToDate funding
 - The VP Finance and Events from c2025 should have information on how to get sponsorships from external funders, which we can look into for helping fund UpToDate moving forward
- Discussed the CMSA Statement regarding the Calls to Action and Accreditation

Meeting with Dr. Marcy Mintz - March 12, 2024

- Discussed the coming Independent Student Analysis (ISA) that will be distributed to the c2026
- The accreditation committee would like to have student feedback and input on RIME so far
- There are a few options for distributing the survey:
 - one45 - students can submit one response and the UME has committed to keeping the responses anonymous
 - Qualtrics through UME - students can submit more than one response and remain anonymous
 - Office through Dr. Mintz - students can submit more than one response and remain anonymous

Meeting with McMaster Medical Student Council President Donny Li - March 13, 2024

- Discussed McMaster's experience regarding a statement on Israel/Palestine

Provincial Day of Action (PDoA)—Reaching out to MLAs - March 14, 2024

- Contacted Minister of Advanced Education and MLA for Calgary-North West Rajan Sawhney, as well as the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and MLA for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills Nathan Cooper regarding a meeting on April 8th for PDoA

Alberta Blood Drive Results - March 14, 2024

- Was contacted by UAlberta Medical Student Association Pouria Tourabi regarding the results of the Alberta Blood Drive and the ensuing agreement to fund a pizza party

- Passed on information to the Blood Drive Representative M. Bhogal, VP Events A. Soumbasis and T. Nguyen-Pham, and VP Finance J. Wytsma

Nursing Mental Health Resources - March 16, 2024

- Was contacted by Sarah Breckon from NursingEducation regarding sharing a mental health and wellness resource with our class and on the CMSA website
- Passed on information to VP Communications L. Iliscupidez and VP SAW K. Arora

Meeting with VP EDI K. Yang - March 18, 2024

- Discussed current progress regarding a potential CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine and future directions

Organizing Facilitator for Statement - March 19, 2024

- Contacted Associate Dean of UME Dr. Amy Bromley to begin coordinating access to a third-party facilitator to potentially consult on a CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine

Table Talk - March 19, 2024

- Attended Table Talk meeting

Students' Union (SU) Club Re-Registration - March 20, 2024

- Worked alongside VP Communications L. Iliscupidez and VP Finance J. Wytsma to submit documentation through the SU ClubHub portal to regain Club status with the SU
- If everything is approved, we should get an update on re-instatement in the summer. Otherwise, they will contact us beforehand

CMSA Website Fixes - March 20, 2024

- Contacted Information Technology (IT) Officer J. Ekram regarding spelling mistakes and missing Professionalism Representatives on the c2026 portfolio page

UME Accreditation Steering Committee - March 22, 2024

- Attended meeting and gave updates from meeting with Dr. Marcy Mintz

CMSA Emergency Meeting - March 22, 2024

- Discussed current progress regarding a potential CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine and future directions

Big Brave Committee Meeting - March 25, 2024

- Discussed planning for the Rock Your Locks event

Meeting with VP Global and Community Health G. Pinnington - March 27, 2024

- Discussed current progress regarding a potential CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine and future directions

Meeting with VP Global and Community Health G. Pinnington, VP EDI K. Yang, VP External Provincial M. Kimura, VP External National M. Gandhi - March 28, 2024

- Discussed current progress regarding a potential CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine and future directions

Canadian Federation of Medical Students - Presidents' Roundtable Meeting - March 30, 2024

- CFMS Updates:
 - Planning for the Canadian Medical Student Conference (CMSC) is underway
 - Match Day supports and resources
 - Elections taking place May 18; nominations between April 6 and May 4
 - Spring Recruitment opening April 11
- Discussed DynaMed vs. UpToDate experiences across Canada
 - (UAlberta) From an information literacy standpoint, there is no difference between DynaMed and UpToDate. However, as more students prefer UpToDate, students may end up paying for it anyway if DynaMed is offered to them. Was recommended to introduce DynaMed to the first years so they become accustomed to it as well as a gradual rollback. For context, UAlberta pays for DynaMed for 50,000 students and staff and it costs ~\$30,000; whereas it costs us \$30,000 to give access to ~350 students with UpToDate.
 - (Dalhousie) We have access to both DynaMed and UpToDate through the combination of HSCs and Universities with which our program is affiliated. Students in Nova Scotia are to be offered UpToDate paid for by the Dean's office— but I'm not sure the timeline on this. Personally, uses DynaMed but many peers seem to prefer UpToDate. Not sure how much of this is marketing and how much of it is convenience/preference/quality of service.
 - (UWestern) The majority of students (~80%) at Western ended up buying UpToDate when the access was lost, despite DynaMed being offered. However, students don't use UpToDate regularly, and only about 20% will continue the subscription into the fourth year.
 - The residents used to get funded UpToDate in Ontario, but not anymore, which led to backlash from residents, but they're handling it fine.
 - UpToDate can be too much data
 - (UCalgary/UAlberta) Can access DynaMed through Alberta Health Services account once in clerkship.
 - <https://krs.libguides.com/poc/dynamed>
 - CFMS UpToDate discount: <https://cfms.org/resources/discounts-online>
- Discussed CFMS Medical Student Mental Health Survey
 - Another round of surveys will be disseminated in the future
 - Hoping to provide robust mental health data to guide the advocacy efforts being conducted by MedSocs and to allow the CFMS to bring in more grant funding from the CMA (as this year, the CFMS was able to provide each MedSoc with a \$2000 grant using funds from the CMA)

Alam Randhawa & Shiva Ivaturi | VP Academics

Exams and Assessments

- Students are assessed on a variety of competencies at the end of the block to determine progression forward in the Re-Imagined Medical Education (RIME) curriculum. These competencies include but are not limited to: summative cards-based unit examinations, Objective Structured Clinical Exam (OSCE), Entrustable Professional Activity (EPA), In-Training Evaluation Report (ITER), and completion of formative assessments/surveys.
- Students can voice concerns about the content and/or methodology of assessments through consultation with the VP Academics.
- Advocated for exam results to be released in a timely fashion. Current policy is assessment results will be released within a maximum of 14 business days. This facilitates better engagement with students and supports, including SAWH. Factors that may delay exam result release include: holidays where faculty are not available (e.g. winter break) and reliance on preceptor commentary prior to distributing results (e.g. OSCE).

Portfolio

The VP Academics have the largest portfolio in the CMSA, with approximately 60 student representatives and 30 committees. The portfolio is designed to facilitate academic learning in preclerkship, clerkship, and additional resources/supports for curricular matters. The VP Academics worked in conjunction with portfolio members to implement the following:

- Clinical Skills Representatives: Worked with the Director of Clinical Skills (Dr. Ornstein) to establish more time allocation for procedural skills in the curriculum. Students have expressed interest in exposure to procedural skills, particularly for clerkship readiness across a wide range of specialties.
- Anatomy Representatives: Met with the Director of Anatomy (Dr. Sarah Anderson) to create more of an emphasis on interpreting diagnostic imaging for students. This is a skill that students often utilized in clerkship and that students advocated for more inclusion of, in addition to the existing components of the existing anatomy curriculum. Interpretation of imaging is a focus of Block 2 and will continue to be the case for preclerkship.
- Block Representatives: Regular meetings and an open channel of communication with the Director of Block 2 (Dr. Theresa Wu) to address student concerns. Excellent response and engagement with the UME, including card decks/lectures being uploaded in a timely manner, slides being provided for students, captions being provided for lectures, as well as inclusion of more lab values/investigations in tutorial groups to better reflect clinical settings that will be encountered in clerkship.

Memberships

The VP Academics holds membership to all following committees/organizations as representatives for the Class of 2026. Each committee has a distinct purpose and role in facilitating medical education for students.

- Undergraduate Medical Education Committee (UMEC)
 - Oversees all aspects of undergraduate medical education, including curriculum development, policy implementation, faculty development, and innovation, with final authority over curricular decisions. Seeks approval from the Strategic Education Council for policies with significant impact and presents annual reports to the SEC

- RIME Pre-Clerkship Committee (RPCC)
 - The RPCC's primary duties include ensuring alignment of institutional and course objectives, meeting accreditation standards, evaluating student performance methods, monitoring course quality, recommending curriculum improvements, leading initiatives in medical education research, and providing a platform for faculty and student feedback on the medical school curriculum.
- Clerkship Committee (CC)
- Student Evaluation Committee (SEC)
 - Develop comprehensive policies for student evaluation encompassing various aspects such as assessment methods, frequency, reliability, validity, fairness, and sustainability. This includes establishing procedures for preparation, review, and administration of evaluations to ensure consistency and quality in assessing student performance across courses and clerkships. Additionally, formulate strategies for standard setting, data collection, and analysis to address unusual performance patterns and collect student feedback on evaluations.
- Calgary Medical Students Association:
 - Attend monthly meetings
 - Present concerns and initiatives related to portfolio and the student body
 - Work with other CMSA Executive Council members on initiatives
- Canadian Federation of Medical Students Academic Round Table:
 - Work with VP-Academics across Canada on important academic matters and national initiatives
 - Advocate and collaborate to solve issues relevant to the CSM at a national level
 - Receive pertinent updates and information from the CFMS on topics like CaRMS, AFMC electives, etc.
- Wellness and Academic Roundtable:
 - Organize and run the WAR meetings in collaboration with VP SAW to meet with small group representatives
 - Communicate information and questions between the roundtable to the CMSA, SAW, UME, and student body as a whole

Conferences

- In 2023:
 - Western Dean's Conference
 - CFMS Fall Annual General Meeting
- In 2024:
 - CFMS Spring Annual General Meeting
 - International Congress on Academic Medicine (iCAM)
 - Western Dean's Conference
 - CFMS Fall Annual General Meeting

Clerkship and CaRMS

- An introductory session on clerkship was hosted by Dr. Busche, Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) and Dr. Killam, Student Advocacy and Wellness Hub (SAW) in March 2023.
- Further sessions to follow in Block 2 and 3 of preclerkship on the following: elective rotations, clerkship lottery system, and residency matching/CaRMS.

Policies

- Students are able to refer to the Preclerkship Student Handbook as well as the Clerkship Student Handbook for relevant policies.
- Students have a maximum allocated number of 3 full days/6 half days that are designated flex days, where students are permitted to take an absence of their own accord.
- Students can request an excused or unexcused absence. Students can also take a leave of absence (LOA) with consultation with the UME for certain matters.
- Students must complete a Scholarly Activity as part of their preclerkship experience.
- Students must attend at least 10 out of the 13 Community Engaged Learning (CEL) shifts. Students can refer to a detailed handbook on Community Engaged Learning placements for more information on the expectations associated with placements

Tutorial Groups

- Wellness and Academic Roundtable (WAR) meetings take place with the VP SAW throughout preclerkship where student representatives from each tutorial group engage in discussions about the functioning of the tutorial groups.
- Advocating for more guiding questions to ensure that learning is equitable, and topics are being covered across tutorial groups, accounting for variability in group dynamics, preceptor involvement, etc.

Andrea Soumbasis & Teresa Ngyuen-Pham | VP Events

- December
 - **December 4th:** Hosted Movember Shave Day event in collaboration with GSD
 - **December 7th:** Holiday movie night
 - Continually planned Winter Formal
- January
 - **January 13th:** Hosted Winter Formal
 - Started coordinating with MMI Reps and Admissions Office to plan MMI weekends
 - Advertised Med Games and Ice Bowl ticket sales to the class
 - Continually planned Nicknaming Ceremony and class jersey design
 - Sent out class survey to gather event ideas/suggestions/interest
 - Began orientation planning and meeting with Dr. Sarah Weeks and UME staff to facilitate coordinated orientation
 - Revised and submitted 2024/25 VP Events budget
- February
 - **February 9th:** Hosted Nicknaming Ceremony
 - Collected payments for jerseys and bids from the nicknaming ceremony
 - Organized Post-Unit 5 Exam celebration; dim-sum & Disney-themed party
 - Continuous Orientation planning. Finalized venue booking for Med Gala and Stethoscope ceremony
 - Created vision for Multicultural event and held numerous meetings with relevant stakeholders and student volunteers
 - Filmed and edited entire MMI video
 - Met with UME to discuss vision for Faculty Appreciation; extending the event to include more student participation and recognition
- March
 - **March 1st:** Hosted Post-Unit 5 Exam celebration
 - **March 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 8th, 9th:** Hosted MMI weekend coffee chats and facilitated student leaders
 - Applied to AMA funding: Both Multiculturalism event and Stethoscope ceremony

- Met with Dr. Bromley to discuss vision for stethoscope ceremony and support from UME regarding funding

Maharshi Gandhi | VP External (National)

November/December 2023

CMSA

- With VPX-P and VP Finance sent out the final round of conference funding to students. We pulled from the VP provincial AMA stipend as funding ran short.
- Continue advocating to enhance the scope of CMSA funding with Dr. Bromley.

CFMS

- International speaker series on Black Maternal Health
- Political advocacy for medical students: from patients to politicians. The guest speaker was Hao Minh Chen, CFMS Political Advocacy Lead.
- Wrapped up the Welcome to CFMS Talk for the class of 2026

January 2024

CMSA

- Opened the Round 4 CMSA Conference Funding Budget
- Shared the CFMS Monthly via the Class Newsletter

CFMS

- Joined CFMS Representatives Roundtable (RRT) in January 2024 to discuss Communication Best Practices for Satellite Campuses
- Other Key CFMS events that have been shared with the class
 - CFMS Student Initiative Grants
 - CFMS Student Initiative Grants Program was established in 2007 to provide support and funding to medical student initiatives. The fund was established in response to the increasing number of medical student-run initiatives and the need for official and financial support from our national student organization.
 - Many successful projects have benefitted from direct CFMS funding including charitable, educational, and social events all organized by medical students. The goal is to assist students in realizing events or initiatives that promote interactions between CFMS students and member schools.
 - There are two categories of funding available. Tier 1 SIG funding is available for medium to large-scale initiatives and Tier 2 SIG funding is available for small- to medium-scale initiatives. The **maximum amount** of funding that may be requested via a CFMS SIG is **\$3,000.00 for Tier 1** and **\$1,500.00 for Tier 2**.

February 2024

CMSA

- Continued the Round 4 CMSA Conference Funding Budget
- Shared the CFMS Monthly via the Class Newsletter

CFMS

- Joined CFMS Representatives Roundtable (RRT) in February 2024 to discuss ways to optimize student engagement in clerkship as well as gathered resources to share the CFMS SGM with the rest of the CSM
- Other Key CFMS events that have been shared with the class
 - Student Affairs: CFMS-CMA Leadership Awards These awards seek to recognize medical students who exemplify leadership in humanitarian contributions, particularly in addressing diversity and equity in medicine and have demonstrated advocacy in areas of racial, gender, and disability justice. In recognition of their achievements, three students will receive a CFMS-CMA Leadership Award, consisting of: A engraved trophy / certificate of recognition A cash prize of \$2000
 - Phlebotomy Bowl: The CFMS Canadian Blood Services team is excited to announce the launch of our annual Phlebotomy bowl! The aim of this initiative is to encourage medical students to donate blood and emphasize the importance of blood donation throughout medical school and into practice.
 - Education - Podcast RIM #10: Path to Hematopathology with Dr. Michael Rauh
 - CPR: Collaboration of Practitioners and Researchers (CPR) Seminar Series The Collaboration of Practitioners and Researchers (CPR) Seminar Series is back this year, and the first seminar was on the topic of Mental Health in Immigrant Youth!
 - LATS workshop about Climate Change & Human Health: A local view of a global problem and what we can do about it
 - Pursue Global Health Opportunities during your medical school career via the International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)
 - Mentor High School Students through the virtual Discovery Day in Health Sciences NORTH.

March 2024

CMSA

- Working with VPX-P and the previous VPX-N to expand the budget for conference funding
 - For the first quarter of CMSA conference funding we got 5 applications. This will likely increase as we go further into the year.
- Round 1 of CMSA Funding from the Lunkarya Budget will start next month
- Shared the CFMS Monthly via the Class Newsletter
- Planned out key events with VPX-N and VP Global Health such as the Clubs Fair/Advocacy Symposium

CFMS

- Joined CFMS Representatives Roundtable (RRT) in March 2024 and shared regular MedSoc updates with other schools
- Helped with the marking and evaluation of two rounds of Student Initiative Grant (SIGs) application alongside the VP Global and Community Health
- Preparing for the Spring General Meeting (SGM) in Vancouver with other members of the CMSA
- Events shared with the class:

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- The McGill Medical Student Society is inviting students to their general ACE post-match CaRMS talk happening on April 2nd and 3rd. There will be 27 medical specialities talking about their CaRMS journey.
 - CFMS Mental Health Survey: It's anonymous, takes 10 minutes to complete, and you can enter a draw for 1 of 13 \$100 Amazon or Starbucks gift cards at the end.

Maren Kimura | VP External (Provincial)

December 2023:

Alberta Medical Association (AMA):

- AMA Committee on Student affairs
 - Met to discuss launching a student led program to increase social media engagement for AMA advocacy

College of Physicians and Surgeons Alberta (CPSA):

- Attended onboarding training to CPSA council

Conference Funding Committee:

- With VP National and VP Finance sent out the final round of conference funding to students. We pulled from the VP provincial AMA stipend as funding ran short.
- Will continue to meet with Dr. Bromley to discuss implementation of a tired funding approach to increase opportunities for students to receive conference funding.

Other:

- Drafted AMSCAR student spotlight for AMA highlighting this years conference/retreat

January 2024:

Alberta Medical Association (AMA):

- RF Forum March 15th
 - 7 Student delegates to attend
 - Released Application for student delegates
- AMA Social Media Advocacy Project launching
 - With increased concern regarding students who are interested in family medicine choosing not to stay in Alberta to practice, AMA wants to better leverage social media to push for the government to change funding structures and practice policies to make Alberta a more competitive location to practice.
 - Opportunity for students to be involved:
 - In social media focus groups on how to improve AMA's use of media for advocacy
 - In developing media content for AMA, interviewing stakeholders, designing media campaigns ect.
- Committee on Student Affairs Meeting (Chair)
 - Reviewed AMA Student Bursary applications

College of Physicians and Surgeons Alberta (CPSA):

- Attended CPSA Council retreat Jan 27. themed building authentic partnerships in partnership with Tsuut'ina Nation.

Conference Funding Committee:

- Conference funding round 4 application sent out for conferences between Dec 1st to Feb 29 - due date March 7th
 - In continuation with Spinies council meeting with Dr. Naugler, we are working to improve access to financial support for medical students engaging in career exploration, research, and leadership conferences. As it stands the current conference fund does not meet the demand of student applicants (less than \$100 in funds per student) even with limiting applications to 1x per calendar cycle.
 - Suggested change to use a tiered funding approach
 - Tier 1: Maximum reimbursement of \$1000 for Academic Conferences (presenting only) - x1 per UME education
 - Tier 2: "Maximum reimbursement of \$750 for Career Exploration, Professional Development Opportunities, at the discretion of the Associate Dean's Office" - x1 per UME education
 - Tier 3: "Maximum reimbursement of \$250-500 for 'Other' Conferences..." o Limited to two claims during UME education -x2 UME education

Other:

- Provincial Day of Action is set for April 6th-8th
 - Supporting the GAAC on delegate training and media development
- Municipal Day of Action tentatively scheduled for fall 2024

February 2024:

Alberta Medical Association (AMA):

- In collaboration with VP Provincial Governance (UofA) released applications and selected student members for the AMA Committee on Student Advocacy (4 members from UofC)
- Attended focus group on Feb 22nd to inform how AMA can better communicate with students and advocate using social media
- Opened student initiative grants

College of Physicians and Surgeons Alberta (CPSA):

- N/A

Conference Funding Committee:

- Application for round 4 of spiny funding open

Other:

- Met with student groups and drafted a statement against government's decision to restrict gender affirming care for minors
- Held a vote that agreed to release a statement on Instagram and email to all 3 classes.

March 2024:

Alberta Medical Association (AMA):

- Attended the RF forum March 14th-16th as voting delegate

- Key topics discussed included: funding models and support for family physicians, AMA “Save family and rural generalist practices” advocacy campaign, planetary health, privacy with EMRs, and responses to recent government announcements on transgender healthcare, pharmacare ect.
- Coordinated 7 student delegate attendees from the UofC
- AMA Student Initiative Grants Closed on March 10th, extended to March 26th
 - Grants are established to fund student led initiatives designed to enhance student career development
 - AMA Student Initiative Grants closed March 10th with 26 applications
 - UofC applications include: PDoA, MDoA, AMSCAR (joint with UofA), Multiculturalism in Medicine, Stethoscope Ceremony, Mental Health Awareness Week, Queer Health for Youth, Youth Outreach, Wilderness Medicine
- New advocacy committee has been created consisting solely of UofC and UofA medical students to increase AMAs media presence and amplify student voices surrounding challenges faced in Alberta’s healthcare system. Participated in AMA “The Urgency is Real” media campaign to direct attention towards increased funding for family physicians.

College of Physicians and Surgeons Alberta (CPSA):

- Attended Council Meeting March 6th-9th in Edmonton
 - Largely focused on building authentic relationships with Indigenous community partners

Conference Funding Committee:

- The External Funding Committee has closed the last round of funding from the spinies budget and decisions were released to applicants.

Other:

- Statement finalized for gender affirming care as a joint statement from UofA and UofC:
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TAn4wTGdfB_0qNTr2Ljd1zLVZCBiZKn96DjZCmgYXE/edit
 - Advocated and successfully received support from AMA to report statement on their media pages as well as our own.
- PDoA (Early April):
 - Set topic as enhancing access to primary care
 - Emailed MLAs to set up meetings for student delegates
 - Consulted on survey designed to elicit student perspectives on pursuing family medicine as a future career.
 - Finalized backgrounder document and helped recruit speakers
 - Accommodations for student delegates are arranged
 - approx 20-25 UofC delegates signed up to attend tentatively
- AMSCAR
 - Recruited new VP internal from UofC
 - Confirmed 2024 date as November 22nd-24th at Coast Canmore
- Met with President R. Sanguinetti, VP Global and Community Health G. Pinnington, VP EDI K. Yang, VP External National M. Gandhi - March 28, 2024
 - Discussed current progress regarding a potential CMSA statement on Israel/Palestine and future directions

- Attended emergency meeting to vote on releasing a statement in upcoming weeks

Jennifer Wytsma | VP Finance

Budget:

- Drafted and approved 2024-2025 budget (end-March)
 - No major changes from previous year, change in allocation (bucketing) of certain items within each VP's portfolio (e.g. VP Events portfolio line descriptions)
- Invested \$4K from Winter Formal ticket sales and Jersey Nicknaming Ceremony into a 2-yr GIC, the principal and interest to be put towards the Lunks graduation funding
 - The Jersey Nicknaming Ceremony was a success for the Lunks class and we raised just over \$2KCAD to put towards our graduation fund!
- Voted to invest \$20K into a 1-yr GIC, similar to the Spinies last year; Only the interest to be put towards the Lunks graduation funding
- UptoDate grant going to expire next year, the annual fees to maintain the membership are very expensive (~\$20KCAD), considering switching to DynaMed (already have free access) once this happens as this new resource is used widely by AHS
- Reviewed survey requirements to achieve maximum amount of graduation funding from UME, reminders have been sent to student and response rate for survey has been >80%

Graduation Funding Rubric:

Survey response rates required to receiving funding support from UME for Graduation	Timing of Survey	Amount of support
Clinical core preceptor evaluations – 80%	Year 1, 2	\$1,000.00
Daily lecture / small group preceptor evaluations – 50%	Year 1, 2	1,000.00
End-of-course evaluations – 75%	Year 1, 2	1,000.00
End-of-year survey – 75%	Year 1, 2, 3	1,000.00
Clerkship end-of-block evaluations – \$0.50 per completed survey for each end of rotation block (to a maximum of \$2,000)	Year 3	2,000.00
Canadian Graduation Questionnaire – 80%	Year 3	2,000.00
BONUS SUPPORT: If all of the above reaches a mean of 80% (for discussion)	Year 1, 2, 3	\$2,000.00

Club Funding and Conference Funding:

- Met with required reps/CMSA VPs to distribute available funding to clubs and students for attending conferences for the previous cycle, decisions communicated to appropriate parties

CMSA Fees:

- Approved an increase in the incoming years CMSA fees (by \$20/person) to cover orientation events that had to be previously paid for as separate fees

UME Finance Rep:

- New financial UME representative hired, will be in contact with her to set up a finance presentation to the Lunks class prior to clerkship

Khushi Arora | VP SAW

Monthly Basis:

SAWH Team Meetings

- SAWH team meetings are a collaborative space where the VP SAW is able to express ideas about future events and address student concerns surrounding wellness. The meetings comprise of faculty members in the SAWH office and the VP SAW, with additional opportunities for the portfolio to take part.
- SAWH meetings have taken place on an emergent basis due to distressing events as well as on a more anticipated basis due to certain time periods that may predispose students to certain stressors (e.g. CaRMS interview weeks, weeks leading up to and following match day, MSPR deadline, etc.).

We Care Committee Meetings

- The we care committee is composed of 5 people that help promote wellness in the class
- The events we have done thus far:
 - Monthly birthday party + cards
 - Wellness bags

Meetings with Director of Wellness + supporting their initiatives

- The Director of Wellness is responsible for event logistics, organization, and implementation in SAWH. Worked to create a roster of events to consider running throughout preclerkship with student input.
- Initiatives implemented thus far have included Snack of the Week, whereby different refreshments and/or food items are distributed to students prior to large group lectures. Anatomy colouring pages is also currently in the works.

Birthday Celebrations

- To celebrate students and promote a sense of community, birthday celebrations are held once per month for the Class of 2026 (Lunkaryas).
- The We Care Committee hand paints cards for all students whose birthday is within that month.
 - We meet multiple times in the month to create these personalized cards
- Free refreshments and desserts are provided to all students who attend

Wellness and Academic Roundtable

- Wellness and Academic Roundtable (WAR) meetings take place with the VP Academics throughout preclerkship where student representatives from each tutorial group engage in discussions about

the functioning of the tutorial groups. Additional topics surrounding curricular changes and student wellness are often addressed at these meetings.

Student Run Tutoring (2x month)

- Facilitated the continuation of a large-scale development where SAWH has utilized student grant funding to provide tutoring for medical students that are led by resident physicians.
- Extensive consultation with students and faculty to ensure that topics being taught are at an appropriate level conducive to equitable learning for all, and that subject matter reflects what is pertinent to the new curriculum and/or clerkship readiness standards.
- We have even started incorporating procedural skills
 - First suturing event was hosted recently

Wellness Events:

Forum on Failure

- Students were exposed to a variety of individuals at different stages of their careers and livelihoods to discuss “failures” in medicine and the resilience to succeed in all circumstances. The event was inspiring, and the goal was to show medical students that wellness is holistic and there are supports to guide and mentor you at every step of your journey.
- Speakers included current staff physicians and resident physicians, many of whom were once students at the University of Calgary.

Halloween Cookie Decorating

- Halloween cookie decorating in SAWH
- Included both Spinies and Lunkies class
- Handed out candy there as well!

Backpack Button Making

- Students were able to create buttons with inspiring messages to foster positivity and act as a reminder of well being throughout their medical education.

We Care Wellness Bags

- The we care team and I came together to create wellness bags before our OSCE exams
- We added lots of snacks, tea, and a cute meme with mental health resources to help with decreasing stress during a tough time

March Matchness

- The March Matchness is an initiative to promote student discourse and establish bonds within the class. Students were paired with individuals they do not always interact with on a regular basis in the hopes of generating meaningful conversations and getting to know one another better.

Mental Health Awareness Week Planning

- Mental health awareness week is in May and we are working hard to plan the week
- We aim to have an event everyday for the week

Advocacy:

Hosted "Get to know SAWH" lunch event

- Students were exposed to the vast array of SAWH supports available, including the ability to make therapy appointments, seek career counseling, drop in sessions on an emergent basis, navigating academic difficulties in preclerkship/clerkship, and many more services.

Accreditation

- Sat on accreditation and advocated for greater SAWH resources through allocation of funding

Advocated for SAW CMSA leadership position to be included in travel delegation moving forward

- UME policies regarding travel delegations have historically included the president with additional representation from the VP Academics. However, the VP SAW has not been a part of these delegations, where medical school student societies across the countries bring their wellness representatives.
- With the importance of wellness at the ability of students to continue forward with their medical education, advocacy for the VP SAW to be included in travel delegations was a proposal made. This proposal did not only extend to the VP SAW for the Class of 2026 but to ensure representation for future years.
- This was well received by the President, VP Academics, and CMSA. This proposal has been established and the VP SAW will be in attendance at the CFMS Spring General Meeting, Western Dean's Conference, and CFMS Fall Annual General Meeting.

Critical Incident Meeting hosted by Dr. Amy Bromley + working with nursing students to host a memorial for student who passed away by suicide

- Working together with Dr. Bromley, SAWH team, and CMSA members to help change the critical incident policy
- Also actively working on planning for memorial & talk around suicide awareness with the family

Helping with Multiculturalism Event

- Wrote the wellness blurb for the application for the multiculturalism event

EDI Table Talk (supported VP EDI)

- Supported our VP EDI, Kerry Yang, with the first EDI table talk. Helped facilitate the discussion alongside him

Other:

Club Funding

- Review and approve club funding applications for the fall and winter cycle with the VP Finance and director of student groups.

Clerkship and CaRMS

- An introductory session on clerkship was hosted by Dr. Busche, Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) and Dr. Killam, Student Advocacy and Wellness Hub (SAW) in March 2023.

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- Further sessions to follow in Block 2 and 3 of preclerkship on the following: elective rotations, clerkship lottery system, and residency matching/CaRMS. SAWH supports will be available for students to provide career counseling, clerkship guidance, and CaRMS discussion.

Kerry Yang | VP EDI

- Had introductory meetings with the Health Equity and Structural Competency Team (HESCT), the Precision Equity and Social Justice Office (PESJO), and various members within Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) leadership
 - Met regularly with Dr. Amy Gausvik to discuss new EDI ideas and projects
 - Met with Dr. Chu and the rest of PESJO to discuss partnerships
 - Met with Dr. Anderson to work on incorporating gender-affirming terminology in anatomy
 - Met with the Indigenous Health Team and the Indigenous Health Representative to discuss ideas for events
- Increasing SP Diversity
 - Met with Rainer Kahl to discuss increasing SP diversity
 - Created a comment form to generate ideas on how SP diversity could be increased
 - Created relationships between medical skills and the Indigenous, Local, and Global Health (ILGH) Office for outreach to community organizations
- Events
 - Nicknaming Ceremony
 - Worked with the Professionalism Committee to remove nickname suggestions for the nicknaming ceremony
 - Stethoscope Ceremony
 - Worked on the logistics for the Class of 2027 Stethoscope Ceremony along with VP Events Ngyuen-Pham and Soumbasis
 - Worked on sponsorship for the Stethoscope Ceremony
 - Met with UME to discuss funding and planning
 - Multiculturalism Event
 - Leading the planning along with VP Events Ngyuen-Pham on the event
 - Created vision and structure for the event, and chairing the Multicultural Event Committee
 - Overseeing the work plan for the event
 - Spearheaded the AMA Student Affairs Funding Application
 - Met with the LIGH Office on community partners we could reach out to
 - Provided funding for the Black History Month and the Iftar Event
 - Hosted a Table Talk Event with Dr. Gausvik and Dr. Daodu
- Advocacy
 - Worked on the CMSA response to Israel-Palestine
 - Along with President Sanguinetti, met various student stakeholders on the topic
 - Met with UME leadership to discuss advocacy efforts and next steps
 - CMSA-UAlbertaMSA joint-statement
 - Wrote the first draft of the statement on Gender-Affirming Care for Minors
 - Worked with the University of Alberta's Medical Students' Association and various University of Alberta medical students on consultations
 - Consulted various stakeholders
 - Supported the distribution of the statement through various channels

Genevieve Pinnington | VP Global and Community Health

December 2023:

- Introductory meeting with Indigenous, Local & Global Health Office including Dr. Amy Gausvik and Lisa Yeo to discuss:
 - Past and ongoing global health and community engagement initiatives at the University of Calgary and Cumming School of Medicine;
 - Plans to integrate global health and health equity topics into the RIME curriculum and what students can expect;
 - Challenges to engaging medical students in local community health and advocacy initiatives, and global health portfolio events, including academic demands and extra-curricular commitments throughout pre-clerkship; and
 - Challenges to maintaining communication between the multitude of global, public, and community health related interest groups.

January 2024:

- Introductory meeting with Global Health Portfolio non-executive members
 - Established communications preferences, discussed goals for 2024, and initiated planning for Global Health Town Hall.
- Supported Global Health Advocate in creation of a survey to better understand the global, public, and community health related interests of the Class of 2026 including preferred event types, areas of interest, concerns, etc.
- Developed updated contact information core document for all interest groups (10), executive and non-executive members (65) under the Global Health Portfolio to facilitate communication and collaboration among global health related interest groups (Disseminated to interest groups February 18th, 2024).

February:

- Met with Dr. Amy Gausvik to discuss
 - Global health in the legacy curriculum, including key themes and session topics, and the potential to adopt legacy curriculum sessions (e.g., Medecins Sans Frontieres panel) as part of a “Global Health Week” in the fall; and
 - History of Global Health Conference at the Cumming School of Medicine and relevant challenges, specifically low student engagement in recent years.
- Hosted first of two Global Health Town Halls on February 15th, 2024

- Each student group under the Global Health Portfolio (e.g., Global Health Concentration, Student-Run Clinic (SRC), Family and Rural Medicine Interest Group (FRMIG), Reproductive Health, Obstetrics and Gynecology Interest Group (RHOGIG), Students for Integrated Training in Community Health (STITCH), etc.) was invited to send 1-3 student representatives to discussing their plans for 2024.
- The purpose of the town hall was to facilitate sharing of ideas among related interest groups, to prevent duplication of events and initiatives, and to solidify the CMSA Global Health Portfolio budget for the year.
- The town hall was attended by 32 individuals including interest group representatives, executive and non-executive global health portfolio members, and some CMSA members.
- Supported Local Exchange Officer in liaising with UME (ongoing) to coordinate the Canadian Federation of Medical Student (CFMS) and International Federation of Medical Student's Association (IFMSA) Clinical Electives Program, which facilitates international exchanges for medical students.
- Monthly Global Health Portfolio Meeting

March:

- Worked with fellow CMSA members to compose and edit the CMSA response to Israel-Palestine
- Helped with the marking and evaluation of two rounds of CFMS Student Initiative Grant (SIGs) application alongside the VP External National
- Met with Environmental Health Interest Group (EHIG) to discuss concerns around adherence to existing CMSA Policy Statement on Sustainable Events and Zero Waste Culture and proposed updates to the policy.
 - Collaboration with EHIG is ongoing to draft a revised policy with added clarification of what constitutes “zero waste”, stronger language (e.g., “must prioritize” vs “recommendations”), a brief statement for CMSA event organizers and attendees about where to discard compostable plates, cutlery, etc., and resources to support Zero Waste Culture (e.g., list of green business for food orders, etc.)
- Drafting guidelines (ongoing) for health equity initiative and event funding under Global Health Portfolio to help ensure funding is allocated equitably and in accordance with the global health portfolio’s mandate which includes but is not limited to increasing healthcare access; increasing grassroots participation, and community consultation and involvement; highlighting and supporting underrepresented voices in health and medicine, etc.

Lexyn Iliscupidez | VP Communications

- Actively updating the CMSA website (calgarymsa.com)
 - Including new graphics, updating town hall reports, meeting minutes, constitution, etc.
 - Updating student groups, executive portfolio contacts, and executive contacts
- Working with Dr. Amy Bromley to streamline and consolidate communications with the class
- New LinkedIn created with updated logo
- Updated newsletter including “Conferences” section and dedicated area to contact each executive
- Continuation of previous weekly/monthly/quarterly tasks such as weekly newsletter, monthly CMSA meetings, and Quarterly report coordination.
- Planning of monthly CMSA meetings, Town Halls, including organizing location, food and advertising



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