SU seeks grant component

The Students' Union is asking the federal government to add a grant component above its current loan ceiling.

At its December meeting, Students' Council passed a motion asking the federal government to "increase the amount of aid available to students by adding a grant component above the current loan ceiling." The current loan ceiling is $1,800.
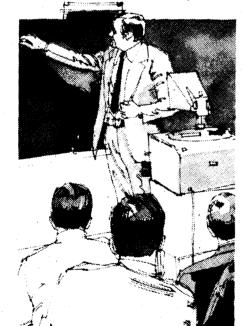
"The amount of aid available is often not adequate. Since loans have been clearly shown to have a deterrent effect on students and potential students, we are asking that the extra funds be made available in the form of grants," said Tema Frank, SU vp external.

Alberta is currently the only province that does not have a grant component as past of its provincial student aid program.