

## National News

# Student input needed says Calgary vice president

CALGARY (CUP) - "Students should participate in Student Loan discussion with education officials because Education Ministers don't really have an idea of the economic problems of students," says

University of Calgary student VP, Alf Skrastins.

The comment came in response to the Council of Ministers of Education (CME) decision to continue holding closed meetings.

Student VP Services Mike Tims finds it "incongruous that decisions that affect students should be made without student representation."

Skrastins castigated the CME saying "This type of thing has been

going on for a long time and the National Union of Students (NUS) position is that students should be involved."

Student Union President Dave Wolf said more should be put on the government but added that so far they have been unable to deliver a representative to the task force.

The federal and provincial governments are presently meeting to evaluate and amend the Canada Students Loans Act.

Meetings of the CME and the Students Loans Plenary Group have not been publicized and virtually no one was aware of the proposed changes until the

National Union of Students released the information last spring.

Since that time, a NUS campaign has been launched to open up the CME and Canada Student Loans Plenary to public scrutiny and student participation.

Local volunteers are circulating a petition calling upon the government to make public its deliberations.

Ken Rogers, the NUS campaign coordinator said that NUS and provincial student organizations "are the only viable instruments to ensure the proper implementation of student representation."



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## Course evaluation is rejected

SASKATOON (CUP) - An Arts and Science Course Evaluation Guide at the University of Saskatchewan, although compiled and published, will not be distributed as a result of a bureaucratic foulup.

According to the student union executive, 42 of the total 219 classes evaluated are invalid. The campus newspaper calls the guide "useless".

As publishers of the guide, the students' union fear possible lawsuits by irate faculty.

Exercising their editorial control, the council expressed doubt that the contents of the guide would

be of any use to the students at the U of S as most of the classes evaluated were first year classes where most students had already registered.

The council passed most of the blame to the Arts and Science Students Union who compiled the guide. According to Student's Union President Brad Odson, those working on the guide assumed that the council would instruct them as to what should be included in the guide. Meanwhile the council was assuming they should know what should be included.

As a result the course evaluation guide will not be released.






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