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University of Saskatchewan Students' Union Responds to Tuition Increases: "Affordability Must Be a Priority"

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) calls for meaningful and sustained action on student affordability in response to the University of Saskatchewan's recently announced 3.8% weighted average tuition increase for the 2025/26 academic year.

"While we understand the financial pressures facing the institution, students are under immense strain as well," said Krunal Chavda, President of the USSU. "Especially in combination with rising housing and food costs, it puts even more students at risk of being priced out of their education. We hear from students who struggle to cover basic needs while trying to succeed academically. It's not sustainable."

The USSU applauds the university's decision to maintain the International Differential for undergraduates and include more needs-based funding for international students.

"We're glad to see the university recognizing the unique financial challenges international students face. We'll continue to advocate for more support structures to ensure every student, regardless of where they come from, has a fair chance to succeed."

The USSU is calling on the university and the provincial government to work together to make meaningful investments in student financial aid and to ensure that tuition remains accessible for all.

"We need the province and university to continue working together to address students' needs," Chavda continued. It's time for a serious, coordinated affordability strategy that includes expanded needs-based grants, housing supports, and predictable tuition frameworks."

"Students are the future of this province," said Chavda. "We can't afford to make post-secondary education a luxury. Investing in students is investing in Saskatchewan."

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