



# **ALLARD LAW STUDENTS' SOCIETY**

## **Proposed Annual Budget 2015-2016**

### **I. ALSS Constitution Bylaw IV – Objects and Aims of the ALSS**

1. The objects of the ALSS are to:
  - 1.1 promote the interests of its Members in respect to the University;
  - 1.2 provide for student representation on various boards, councils, and committees of the Peter A. Allard School of Law;
  - 1.3 co-operate with other organization having similar interests in promoting student activists and interests;
  - 1.4 consider and support activities which enhance the quality of life for students in the Peter A. Allard School of Law; and
  - 1.5 represent its Membership as required.
2. The ALSS shall strive to carry out its objects without discrimination as between its Members, and in particular on the basis of race religion, colour, national or ethnic origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, age, or political conviction. This Article shall not be interpreted to preclude any rule, program, or activity that has as its objects the amelioration of conditions that may hinder the full and equal participation of any group in the ALSS' activities or in the legal profession.
3. The ALSS shall make all reasonable efforts to schedule events, elections and meetings so as to not hinder participation by any religious, cultural, social or other group to which Members belong

### **II. ALSS Finance Committee Mission Statement**

The aim of the ALSS Finance Committee is to review the budget requests of all eligible clubs, sports teams and events and to allocate student society fees so as to enable student activities that are consistent with the Objects and Aims of the ALSS. This allocation should be done so as to maximize the opportunities available to ALSS members to engage in activities outside of the classroom.

The 2012-2013 ALSS Budget Reform Committee developed the following factors to be considered in assessing the financial needs of and the appropriate allocation of funds to all teams and clubs. These factors are:

1. Inclusivity and openness of club/team membership
  - The status of club activities and gatherings as being open to all students to participate and join will be a factor for consideration
2. Presence in the law school
  - Value-added to law school experience
  - The location of events as being held on or off the UBC campus will be a factor for consideration
3. Membership levels/enrolment
  - Including previous years membership/enrolment, membership/enrolment after Clubs Day and the expected attrition rate, and the reasonable allocation of funds per person will be factors for consideration
4. Past years and previous spending
  - Failure in past years to hold planned events may be a factor for consideration
5. Alternatives
  - Clubs must demonstrate that they have either chosen the most economically efficient alternative or have chosen a more experience alternative based on a consensus by group member for demonstrable reasons

### **III. Roles & Responsibilities**

1. **ALSS Finance Committee**  
Review the budget requests of eligible clubs, sports teams, and events. Allocate funds according to the mission statement and the five factors outlined above.
2. **Clubs, Sports, and Event Officers**  
Submit budget requests to the ALSS Director of Finance by the specified deadline.
3. **Quorum of ALSS Students**  
Evaluate the ALSS Proposed Budget as a whole. Provide feedback to members of the ALSS and the ALSS Finance Committee at the ALSS Budget Meeting. Vote via secret ballot to pass the budget or send it back to the LSS Finance Committee for further review based on the comments provided.

### **IV. ALSS Finance Committee Process**

The ALSS Finance Committee, when analyzing individual line items for the year 2015-2016 employed a consistent “budget scorecard” approach for all club requests. This scorecard gives qualitative weight in each of the 5 factors as outlined above, the ratio of total funds requested to allocated, funds allocated to comparable clubs, as well as considering the reasons a club may merit an increase or decrease in the funds allocated to them from the previous year. Budget Scorecards will not be disbursed with the proposed budget but are available for ALSS members who request them for their club.

### **V. Career Services Offices (CSO) Contribution**

In 1998 and 2001, the Law Students Association (now the Allard Law Students’ Society) held referendums to increase their student society fees for the purpose of expanding the Career Services

Office. Beginning in 2001, the ALSS transferred \$70,000 of their annual budget to the Allard School of Law administration. In 2010, the then LSS Executive worked with the Allard School of Law to change the contribution to a per student rate. Since that time, the ALSS has transferred \$112 per student of their annual budget to the Allard School of Law administration.

**VI. Current Financial Status**

Typically the approved ALSS Budget ensures a breakeven status – that is, we do not allocate more funding than we receive or expect to earn per annum. When sports teams, clubs and events spend less money than they are allocated in that year, the ALSS runs a cash surplus. This surplus carries over from year to year and is used to pay up front costs – such as the boat cruise, the Women in the Law Dinner, law wear, or graduation.

**Cash Surplus = \$27, 399.37**

**Net Surplus (2014-2015) = \$6,175.60**

**Total Surplus = \$33, 574.97**

The current surplus is \$33, 574.97 with the net excess from last year being \$6, 175.60. This year, the ALSS Executive voted to roll over \$4500 from last year’s net excess to better accommodate the high number of new clubs and increased membership in existing clubs. Last year, the Executive rolled over \$3660.40 and allocated \$25, 158.52. Our increased rollover was to allow for the Finance Committee to take all requests into consideration while comfortably padding the surplus. With our aim of fiscal responsibility in mind, the Finance Committee allocated \$24,696.24 thereby only using \$2228.03 of last year’s net excess.

**VII. Funding Breakdown**

Enrolment:	562 JD students, 2 JD/MBA students, 8 visiting students = 572
Student Society Fees:	\$148.00 per JD student (less 0.8% admin fee)
Gross ALSS Student Funding:	<u>\$83, 978.75</u>
Per Student CSO Contribution:	\$112 per JD student (see section V)
CSO Contribution (Expense):	<u>\$64, 064.00</u>
Net ALSS Student Funding:	ALSS Student funding – CSO Contribution = <u>\$19, 914.75</u>
Expected Social Council Profit:	\$2553.46
ALSS Excess Funding Rollover:	\$4500.00
Canadian Bar Insurance Association:	\$600.00
<b>NET ALSS FUNDS TO ALLOCATE:</b>	<b><u>\$27, 568.21</u></b>

**ALSS PROPOSED BUDGET - FINANCIAL SUMMARY YEAR OVER YEAR**

Item	2014-15					
	TOTAL	\$42,596.02	\$25,208.52	\$81,678.79	\$100,711.71	\$6,175.60
	REQUESTED	ALLOCATED	REVENUE	EXPENSES	NET	
SOCIAL COUNCIL	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$207.00	\$300.00	\$707.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES*		\$300.00	\$0.00	\$379.15	-\$79.15	
SOCIAL EVENT**		\$0.00	\$26,926.37	\$27,871.96	-\$945.59	
FRIDAY SOCIALS **		\$0.00	\$12,027.20	\$10,211.71	\$1,815.49	
ACADEMIC COUNCIL	\$800.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$200.00	
MISCELLANEOUS		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

2015-16	
REQUESTED	ALLOCATED
\$42,630.55	\$24,696.24
\$800.00	\$800.00
	\$400.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
\$830.00	\$300.00

**CLUBS**

NEW CLUBS		\$400.00	\$1,079.64	\$871.21	\$608.43	
ALLARD LAW FILM SOCIETY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
AMPS						
ASIAN PACIFIC LAW CLUB	\$1,730.00	\$800.00	\$2,110.00	\$2,925.90	-\$15.90	
CAN LAWYERS ABROAD	\$884.50	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$224.90	\$125.10	
CHRISTIAN LAW STUDENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,510.00	\$4,443.15	\$66.85	
CoRe UBC		\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	
CRIMINAL LAW CLUB		\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	
ENV LAW GROUP	\$640.00	\$640.00	\$0.00	\$616.29	\$23.71	
FASHION LAW SOCIETY	\$350.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	
FRENCH CLUB	\$1,000.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$169.87	\$80.13	
HEALING USING MUSIC						
HOOPLAW	\$615.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$450.00	
INDIGENOUS LAW STUDENTS***	\$2,500.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,410.00	\$4,584.76	-\$374.76	
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY	\$972.00	\$450.00	\$500.00	\$829.00	\$121.00	
INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL						
KNITTING CLUB						
LABOUR LAW CLUB	\$555.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$380.00	\$20.00	
LAW GAMES	\$1,000.00	\$100.00	\$6,062.00	\$6,162.00	\$0.00	
LAW & MEDICINE	\$450.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$240.60	\$9.40	
LAW REVUE	\$225.00	\$100.00	\$2,117.10	\$1,396.15	\$820.95	
LAW STUDENTS FOR CHOICE	\$525.00	\$350.00	\$3,462.65	\$3,749.68	\$62.97	
LEGAL EDUCATION OUTREACH	\$700.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$401.26	\$98.74	
LEGAL EXCHANGE ASSOC						
LEGAL EYE	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	
LIBERAL PARTY AT UBC LAW	\$1,000.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$219.05	\$130.95	
OUTDOORS CLUB	\$350.00	\$275.00	\$0.00	\$129.76	\$145.24	
OUTLAWS	\$850.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$357.67	\$392.33	
PHI DELTA PHI	\$1,775.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	
PRO BONO	\$1,000.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$191.20	\$158.80	
PROPERTY LAW	\$600.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$151.85	\$48.15	
PUBLIC SPEAKING						
SALDF	\$2,136.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$589.48	\$160.52	
SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION NETWORK	\$830.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$241.54	\$158.46	
SOUTH ASIAN LAW STUDENTS	\$470.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$89.02	\$60.98	
SEALS	\$385.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$310.09	-\$10.09	
WINE CLUB	\$0.00	1 Wine Bottle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
WOMEN'S CAUCUS****	\$1,360.00	\$500.00	\$13,241.85	\$12,941.53	\$800.32	

	\$400.00
\$852.00	\$300.00
\$660.00	\$200.00
\$1,700.00	\$1,000.00
\$870.00	\$370.00
\$390.00	\$250.00
\$1,140.00	\$640.00
\$480.00	\$200.00
\$650.00	\$550.00
\$2,500.00	\$1,925.24
\$975.00	\$350.00
\$1,030.55	\$200.00
\$600.00	\$400.00
\$1,000.00	\$300.00
\$450.00	\$250.00
\$420.00	\$420.00
\$700.00	\$350.00
\$450.00	\$350.00
\$1,060.00	\$350.00
\$450.00	\$150.00
\$1,495.00	\$850.00
\$1,100.00	\$350.00
\$1,440.00	\$250.00
\$2,470.00	\$600.00
\$965.00	\$400.00
\$1,080.00	\$225.00
\$375.00	\$150.00
\$625.00	\$150.00
\$960.00	\$400.00

**SPORTS TEAMS**

BALL HOCKEY 1	\$184.76	\$184.76	\$0.00	\$184.76	\$0.00
BALL HOCKEY 2	\$184.76	\$184.76	\$0.00	\$184.76	\$0.00
BASKETBALL	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00
CURLING*****	\$1,650.00	\$1,650.00	\$0.00	\$1,650.00	\$0.00
DODGEBALL COED					
DODGEBALL W	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00
FOOTBALL	\$230.00	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$0.00
HOCKEY CIRCUS	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00
HOCKEY EAGLES	\$2,750.00	\$1,700.00	\$0.00	\$1,700.00	\$0.00
RUGBY M	\$8,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,722.00	\$8,336.43	\$385.57
RUGBY F (*)	\$904.00	\$904.00	\$2,302.98	\$3,206.98	\$0.00
RUNNING CLUB	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
SOCCER COED - FUN	\$126.00	\$126.00	\$0.00	\$126.00	\$0.00
SOCCER COED - TIER 2	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00
SOCCER M*****	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00
VOLLEYBALL - TIER 1	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00
VOLLEYBALL - TIER 2					
ULTIMATE FRISBEE	\$194.00	\$194.00	\$0.00	\$194.00	\$0.00

\$194.00	\$194.00
\$1,850.00	\$1,650.00
\$126.00	\$126.00
\$194.00	\$194.00
\$1,600.00	\$1,400.00
\$2,750.00	\$1,700.00
\$4,643.00	\$3,500.00
\$1,650.00	\$1,350.00
\$194.00	\$194.00
\$548.00	\$194.00
\$194.00	\$194.00
\$170.00	\$170.00

\*Office expense includes web hosting fees for the ALSS website and cost of new domain + exchange rate. Approx. \$180

\*\*ALSS social events & Friday Socials operate at a surplus. Made approx. \$1576.90 in 2014-2015. VP Student Affairs' Budget anticipates a surplus of approx \$2553.46.

\*\*\*ILSA's allocated funds include a \$500 rollover from fundraising efforts in 2014-2015. \$374 will be used to bring ILSA's account back to even.

\*\*\*\*WC's \$800.32 surplus was distributed by invoice to the Beauty Night Society as a charitable donation.

\*\*\*\*\*Men's Soccer team's high request includes equipment to be used by both the Men's and Coed Soccer teams.

\*\*\*\*\*Membership costs built into request.

GRAD COMMITTEE		\$0.00	\$34,708.41	\$32,812.50	\$1,895.91	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Grad Committee does not request funds from the ALSS. Though they are an ALSS member, they have for the past 2 years had their account balance rolled over, as much of their financial activities are carried on throughout the summer. Grad Committee's net surplus for 2015-2016 is considered separate from the overall LSS operating surplus. This year Grad Committee will rollover \$2000.