



BC's Union for Professionals

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via email

Andrew Wilkinson
Minister of Advanced Education
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Dear Minister,

This letter is to let you know that the Professional Employees Association (PEA) has endorsed the University of Victoria Students' Society Education is a Right rally.

Tuition fee increases continue to make education less accessible while allowing governments to abdicate their responsibility to adequately fund post-secondary education. We support the students' aim for fully-funded public post-secondary education as we agree that public post-secondary education is vital for a strong democratic society, for advancements in science, research and technology, and for a more sustainable and just future. Without adequate funding, including bursaries and grants, regressive tuition fees have created the most indebted generation ever, which is already having deeply troubling impacts on the economy.

We encourage the province to invest more in education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Scott McCannell
Executive Director

c. Kathy Corrigan, Opposition Spokesperson for Advanced Education
c. Brontë Renwick-Shield, Chair University of Victoria Students' Society