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In the coming months, the USSU will be finishing off the year with two signature events: Experience in Excellence and Women in Leadership. We are proud to again be hosting these two events on our campus.

The USSU had the opportunity to join its counterparts, the student unions from the top research oriented universities in Canada, to lobby the federal government in Ottawa and advocate on the behalf of the students we collectively represent.

We are proud to have recently released *Be What Students Need*, which highlights six asks that we believe can be attained in the next Provincial Budget. These include:

- Increase to Unrestricted Institutional Funding
- Reasonable and Predictable Tuition Policy
- Open Educational Resources from the Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship
- Scholarships, Grants and Bursaries for International Students
- Elimination of Interest on Student Loans
- Tuition Waiver for Students in Foster Care

In these proposals, we are asking the government to make post-secondary education more affordable, more accessible for students in this next budget. During this next little while, we will be focussed on ensuring the provincial government is aware of these proposals in the loom of the budget.