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## **DECREASES TO FULL-TIME STUDENT GRANT FUNDING LIMIT ACCESS TO EDUCATION**

Calgary, Alberta (August 5, 2022) - Saitsa echoes statements from other student organizations: we are disappointed with the changes to the Alberta Student Grant for Full-Time Students. The changes impose needless financial hardship if a student's income is only one dollar above the new threshold. Rather than imposing income cut-offs and reducing the amount of the grant by \$125 per month, the Government of Alberta should have supported more students and increased the overall program's budget.

Saitsa is equally troubled by the lack of consultation, advanced warning and timing by the provincial government: instead of a public news release, the announcement was sent out in individual emails in the middle of summer.

"Saitsa believes that the Government of Alberta should reconsider both its communications approach and Alberta Student Grant changes, and endeavour to make life more affordable for all students."

- Dawson Andrew Thomas, Saitsa President

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