

Funding in Perspective: Post Secondary Precarity

The Alberta Expert Panel on Post Secondaries infers...

- That academic value and market value are the same. *In actuality, education must serve the long-run needs of the community* rather than short-term economic goals or mere credentialism.
- That academic neutrality means institutional silence on social issues. *In actuality, universities have a duty to act as a forum for inquiry* and debate that recognizes a variety of viewpoints.
- That DEI is contradictory to merit. *In actuality, diversity and merit are complementary*, and DEI is a way to overcome barriers that stop merit from being recognized.

~33%

of funding for post secondaries was cut from 2019-2023

~60%

of Bachelor's students in AB will graduate \$25,000 in debt

~6%

of Albertans are enrolled in a post-secondary program

Robust public education requires robust public funding!

Cluster Funding

The proposed model **does not address the cuts** from the province, and **increases the marketization of education**.

Tuition Cap Removal

Removal of the 2% tuition cap pushes **greater financial burden onto students**.

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