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My name is Corrigan, I am a 22-year-old student hoping to enter the department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry next semester, but as it stands now, am currently registered to the Beedie School of Business. I am the president of an SFSS club and an employee of SFU Recreation at the climbing wall. While I have many good things to say about SFU and its vibrant community, my candidacy for senate is based on a sense of frustration with SFU. I hope to address some of the concerns that I currently have, and that I believe are echoed throughout the student population with the direction of the university and the current standard of student engagement.

As it relates to mental health and student services
- Evaluate the effectiveness of My SSP, a free app offered by the university and the SFSS.
- Increased resource availability for survivors of suicide, violent incidents and sexual assault on campus
- Evaluate the disconnect between services offered and student satisfaction with those services.
  - The very same Maclean’s list that places SFU at the top of the comprehensive universities list shows SFU as ranking 2nd in student services places SFU 12th in student satisfaction. (Macleans)

As it relates to tuition and classes
- Immediate tuition freeze on all undergraduates and graduates
  - SFU’s financial statements from the previous year shows growth in revenue and an operational surplus.
  - Question the university as to the necessity of an 8-20% increase in tuition costs on international students, and advocate for a similar tuition increase cap currently in place for domestic students.
    - The average increase in international tuition between the 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 school year in BC was 5%. (Statistics Canada)
- Extend the drop-without-penalty date for course selections