

SSD NEWSLETTER

May at the SSD!

Happy May to the SSD community! Congratulations on all the hard work you've put in this year. We are incredibly proud of our community and everything you've accomplished. Although the semester has come to a close, we're still here to support you. Our office will remain open throughout the summer, Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We also have some exciting things planned for the months ahead, including collaborative summer events and a full week of programming in July to celebrate Disability Pride Month, we can't wait to have you join us. We will also be hosting bi-weekly craft cafes starting May 5th from 1-3pm online and in the SSD Lounge!

At the end of April, we hosted a Making Accessible Events workshop to introduce our new Accessible Events Guide. The guide, along with a recording of the workshop, will be available on our website & Instagram (link in linktree) in the coming weeks.

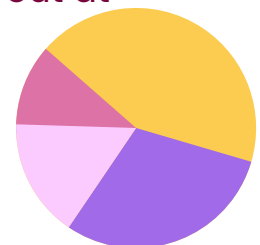
Budget Updates & Yearly Planning

Budget

We've recently had our budget approved by management, council, and the UVSS Advocacy Relations Committee. This year's budget was shaped by our survey results, which highlighted a strong demand for increased event funding and more intersectional initiatives. We've also expanded our space snack budget to better support food security.

Survey Results

You can find more details about our survey results in our Linktree. The survey was full of thoughtful ideas that will help shape our goals for the upcoming school year and guide our workplan. If you have additional suggestions or want to share your ideas, feel free to reach out at uvicssd@uvic.ca.





Summer Events Planning

This summer semester, we'll be hosting collaborative events with other groups in the SUB. These include (but aren't limited to) the Campus Community Garden, Gender Empowerment Centre, Pride Collective, Students of Colour Collective, Anti-Violence Project, Native Students Union, and the UVic Sustainability Project.

Planned events include field trips to the Royal BC Museum and the Beacon Hill Petting Zoo, as well as monthly potlucks. Stay tuned for more details, we're excited to share more soon!



#Access4All Updates

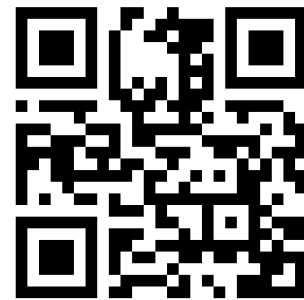
What is #A4A?

#A4A is a campaign started by a group of disabled students at UVic who were concerned about the return to in-person learning in 2021. Since then, it has remained an important initiative for SSD. Our goal is to expand access to HyFlex education, supporting both in-person and flexible learning options, so more students can fully participate in university life.

If you'd like to learn more, visit our website (linked in our Linktree). We'll continue sharing updates on #A4A in this newsletter as we work to expand its reach.



Linktree:



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