

# Corporate Involvement in Post-Secondary Education

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**Preamble:** Whereas institutions faced with decreases in funding often seek "alternative revenue sources" that sometimes includes the active pursuing of private funds, and the signing of corporate deals, *and*

Whereas the greater reliance on private money has the potential to harm the academic integrity of an educational institution; *and*

Whereas all aspects of a post-secondary education institution's class content and research outcomes should remain in the public domain and remain free from private interests; *and*

Whereas allowing public institutions to teach courses specifically designed for one company changes the purpose of that course from education to training.

**Resolution:** Therefore, be it resolved that the Kwantlen University College Student Association condemns the Federal and Provincial governments for creating situations whereby Kwantlen University College and other public post-secondary institutions must rely on corporate funding; *and*

Be it further resolved that the Kwantlen University College Student Association condemns the Federal and Provincial Governments for promoting the use of private research grants, as well as public-private-partnerships.

