**SUBU Summit Ideas**

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| **Proposed by**          | *Hope Hampton*  |
| **Proposal**       | *SUBU to lobby BU to allow bursaries to be awarded to students repeating a year.* |
| **Problem**       | *Currently BU students repeating a year of academic study are not eligible to receive bursaries from BU even if they received such previously.**Students who repeat a year of academic study likely have the same or similar bills and expenses to pay and the lack of accessible bursary presents further financial and general stress as they repeat a year.**Whilst there are additional loans and grants to apply for, not all students may outright meet the criteria for this, and it would be simpler to continue the bursary they were previously receiving.**Students rejected for this bursary during their repeat year are not provided any explanation as to why they will now not receive the bursary they may have previously received.* |
| **Ideas for solutions**     | *SUBU to lobby BU to review bursary terms and conditions regarding students’ accessibility to such when retaking a year of study.**SUBU to lobby BU to allow students repeating a year to be granted bursaries to support their extended studies.**SUBU to lobby BU to consider wider financial impacts on students repeating a year and amend policies to better support these students where applicable.* |
| **To be implemented by**     | VP Welfare & Community and VP Education |