

January 9, 2019

Dylan Robertson
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Our File Number: 18-020

Dear Mr. Robertson,

Re: Your request for access to information under Part 2 of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA or "the Act").

On November 15, 2018, the University of Winnipeg received your request for access to the following information:

All records dated from Aug. 1, 2018 to Nov. 15, 2018, relating to the government of Saudi Arabia recalling its nationals, as well as the financial impact on University of Winnipeg, including but not limited to student fees, partnerships abroad and marketing.

Upon receipt of your request, we conducted a records search with representatives from a number of University offices likely to hold responsive records. This search identified 27 records responsive to your request. As some of these records contained third party information, we undertook consultations with several affected third parties. Having concluded these consultations on December 18, 2018, and having not received notice of any complaints to the Manitoba Ombudsman regarding our intention to release third party information in part and full, we are now in a position to respond to your request.

We are responding to your request in part. We are responding by enclosing 23 records responsive to your request, numbered in Appendix "A" to this letter. Please note some of the information within the records has been severed pursuant to the mandatory and discretionary exceptions to access contained in sections 17(1); 17(2)(e); 17(3)(d); 17(3)(e); 20(2)(a); and 26 of FIPPA:

Disclosure harmful to a third party's privacy

17(1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant if the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's privacy.

Disclosures deemed to be an unreasonable invasion of privacy

17(2) A disclosure of personal information about a third party is deemed to be an unreasonable invasion of the third party's privacy if

(e) the personal information relates to the third party's employment, occupational or educational history

Determining unreasonable invasion of privacy

17(3) In determining under subsection (1) whether a disclosure of personal information not described in subsection (2) would unreasonably invade a third party's privacy, the head of a public body shall consider all the relevant circumstances including, but not limited to, whether

(d) the disclosure may unfairly expose the third party to harm;

(e) the personal information has been provided, explicitly or implicitly, in confidence;

Information provided by another government to a local public body

20(2) The head of a local public body shall refuse to disclose information to an applicant if disclosure could reasonably be expected to reveal information provided, explicitly or implicitly, in confidence by

(a) a government, local public body, organization or agency described in subsection (1);

Disclosure harmful to security of property

26 The head of a public body may refuse to disclose information to an applicant if disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm or threaten the security of any property or system, including a building, a vehicle, an electronic information system or a communications system.

As regards our exercise of discretion in applying section 26, we reviewed the general purposes of FIPPA and the intent of Part 2 of the Act specifically. We also considered the purpose of the exception, which may be applied to protect the security of property and systems. In this instance, we determined disclosure of employee cell phone numbers could reasonably be expected to harm or threaten the security of these devices, as well as the work and personal information contained within or linked to the devices, through potentially increased exposure to phishing, malware, and other mobile security threats. We could find no factors in favour of disclosure that would outweigh these security concerns.

4 records (our numbers 18-020-6; 18-020-9; 18-020-11; and 18-020-12) have been withheld in full pursuant to the mandatory exceptions to access contained in sections 18(1)(b); 18(1)(c)(ii); and 20(2) of FIPPA. The information subject to these exceptions cannot reasonably be severed from the record to allow any remaining information to be released.

Disclosure harmful to a third party's business interests

18(1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant information that would reveal

(b) commercial, financial, labour relations, scientific or technical information supplied to the public body by a third party, explicitly or implicitly, on a confidential basis and treated consistently as confidential information by the third party; or



(c) commercial, financial, labour relations, scientific or technical information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to

(ii) interfere with contractual or other negotiations of a third party,

You may register a complaint with the Ombudsman regarding this decision by contacting:

Manitoba Ombudsman
750-500 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB
R3C 3X1
204.982.9130
1.800.665.0531 (toll-free)

If you have any questions, please contact me at 204.988.7538 or da.elves@uwinnipeg.ca. I may also be reached by fax at 204.953.3843.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dan', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Dan Elves
Senior Information & Privacy Officer

Enclosure

APPENDIX "A"
RECORDS RELEASED: 18-020

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From: [Josée Gingras](#)
Cc: [Wendy Therrien](#)
Subject: Key Messages regarding decision by Saudi Government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 2:33:52 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
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[Universities Canada Key-messages-Saudi-Arabia.docx](#)

Ce message est disponible en anglais seulement

**Message on behalf of Wendy Therrien, Director, External Relations and Research,
Universities Canada**

As promised earlier today, please find attached key messages that Universities Canada has developed in response to the Saudi Arabian government's suspension of all Saudi scholarship holders studying in Canada.

We hope they are useful to you as you field calls and requests for information. We will continue to monitor this situation and be in contact as it develops.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at wtherrien@univcan.ca or 613-563-3961 ext. 278 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Wendy Therrien

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Key messages on Saudi Arabia's removal of students in Canada

People-to-people ties like educational exchanges and study abroad help build and maintain strong foundations for diplomatic and trade relations.

- Educational exchanges can be an important bridge when other aspects of the bilateral relationship are challenged.

Canada's universities welcome international students, including those from Saudi Arabia.

- Last year, there were about 192,000 international students in Canada, coming from more than 200 countries.

There are over 7,500 students (at all levels) from Saudi Arabia currently on long term study visas here in Canada.

- Many of them have brought dependants who also contribute to our economy and society.
- Approximately 1,250 medical trainees from Saudi Arabia work at Canadian hospitals and medical centres.
- Saudi Arabia is the sixth largest source country for international students to Canada.

International students enhance our classrooms, research programs, labs and communities with their diverse experiences, knowledge and perspectives.

- International students – including those from Saudi Arabia – who are studying at Canadian universities are set up for success in Canada.
- They are receiving a high-quality Canadian university education, they are learning how our society works, and speak at least one of our official languages.
- When they return home, they are ambassadors for Canada

International students contribute to Canada's economy.

- Saudi Arabian students are part of this growing economic impact.
- In 2016, international students in Canada spent around CDN\$15.5 billion on tuition, accommodation and discretionary spending – more than the export value of auto parts, lumber and aircraft.
- That's up from CDN\$8 billion a few years ago, and the benefits are felt in communities large and small across the country.

Canada's universities are offering all students – including those from Saudi Arabia – a world-class education.

- Medical training received in Canada has been the gold standard preferred by the Saudi Ministry of Education for decades.
- Since 1978, more than 4,500 Saudi's have trained in Canada, achieving Royal College of Physician certification, and the vast majority return home.

- The withdrawal of the educational exchange program will impact more than 1,250 residents who provide patient care to about 25,000 Canadians each day.
- In some teaching hospitals, Saudi residents represent up to a third of the clinical care team.

Canada's universities are concerned that Saudi students will be negatively affected by this situation.

- Many are in the middle of their studies, research or lab work, which will be disrupted.
- Many will lose at least a semester, if not a full academic year.
- Medical trainees are in the middle of their residencies, which is the last stage before students obtain their license to practice.
- The academic year began on July 1, and any disruption would delay completion of training.
- Uprooting these trainees will result in significant hardship for them and their families.
 - Cost of re-assignments would be significant.
- It is very unlikely that other countries and their universities will have capacity to take all these students on such short notice.

Canada's university ecosystem has capacity for more international students.

- In Atlantic Canada, universities and provincial governments are working together to increase international enrolment to address demographic challenges and economic opportunities.
- This is closely associated with a goal to attract and retain top talent.
- Universities outside major urban centres are also working hard to attract students.
- In Quebec, new provincial funding formulae make attraction of international talent a priority.
- Canada's largest universities have also set ambitious international recruitment targets as part of their mission as global knowledge institutions. In addition to all of this is an effort to diversify source countries.

Q&As

Q:

At its heart, the government concerned about human rights and freedom of expression within Saudi Arabia government. Do Canadian universities believe that the government should stand up for these rights?

A:

Canada's universities are committed to human rights and freedom of expression. They are at the heart of the research, teaching and learning mandates of our institutions.

Educational exchange is one of the best opportunities for international students to experience our Canadian values, and bring those learnings back home.

Q: How are universities supporting these students?

A:

- Universities Canada is the process of gathering information from member institutions.
- Anecdotally, we understand international offices on campuses are in communication with affected students to offer support and advice.
- Many are setting up public information pages for these students to get more information as the situation unfolds.

Q: What is the financial impact of the loss of these students?

A:

- At this stage, we cannot speculate on the actual financial impact of this decision.
- Universities Canada is currently gathering information from our 96 member institutions on the potential impact. We hope to have a better picture in the coming days.
- Tuition varies widely by institution, by level of study and by region.
- Collectively, international students contributed \$15.5 billion to Canada's economy in 2016.
- That's more than the export value of lumber, aircraft or autoparts.

Q: Has Universities Canada been in touch with the Government?

A:

- Universities Canada recognizes that this is a very challenging diplomatic situation.
- We are in touch with officials in the government of Canada and have shared our concerns.
- We hope that a solution can be found for the benefits of these students and their families.

From: [Colin Russell](#)
To: [Manish Pandey](#)
Cc: [James Currie](#)
Subject: RE: Saudi action and students
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 4:58:58 PM

Yes that's her. I hadn't spoken to her myself; I thought she was going home when I was told she was "leaving tomorrow." Hopefully the documents we have provided will help persuade the Saudi Cultural Bureau....

C.

From: Manish Pandey
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 4:54 PM
To: Colin Russell
Cc: James Currie
Subject: Re: Saudi action and students

Hi Colin,

Is the **17(1);17(2)(e)** student **17(1);17(2)(e)**? I talked to her today and she said she is going to Ottawa tomorrow to determine whether she can stay in Canada for the Fall term and finish her degree.

Thanks,

Manish Pandey
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----- Original message -----

From: Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: 2018-08-07 4:41 PM (GMT-06:00)
To: Manish Pandey <m.pandey@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: James Currie <j.currie@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: RE: Saudi action and students

Hi Manish,

We've provided the **17(1);17(2)(e)** student with a transcript and confirmation of enrolment, since she is leaving tomorrow. I guess we will wait and see what else is needed, depending on how things go. She can write the GS office at any time requesting a leave of absence.

Thanks,
 Colin

From: Manish Pandey

Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 3:18 PM
To: Colin Russell
Cc: James Currie
Subject: Fwd: Saudi action and students

FYI

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----- Original message -----

From: Sandy Lynne Peterson <s.peterson@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: 2018-08-07 3:15 PM (GMT-06:00)
To: Manish Pandey <m.pandey@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: FW: Saudi action and students

Manish,
This was sent to me by Ashley, I am sending it on for your information.
Sandy

From: Ashley Hayward
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 3:04 PM
To: Sandy Lynne Peterson
Subject: Fw: Saudi action and students

From: deansgs <deansgs@mun.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 1:25:53 PM
To: 17(1);17(3)(e)
Cc: Ashley Hayward; 17(1);17(3)(e);
17(1);17(3)(e); Mavis Reimer; 17(1);17(3)(e)
17(1);17(3)(e)
Subject: Re: Saudi action and students

At MUN we're taking a wait and see approach. We have been in contact with all of our Saudi students and have informed them that we will do anything we can to accommodate students who need support. See below message to deans and directors.

Best, Aimee

Begin forwarded message:

Good afternoon,

The message below is being forward to Academic Deans and Directors on behalf of Sonja Knutson, Director of the Internationalization Office.

Deans and Directors, The Internationalization Office has been in contact with students from Saudi Arabia and will field their questions. We are watching the situation closely and have been in contact with all current students and applicant students listed as Saudi citizens. Please direct students who may have inquiries to our office. They can call 864-8895 or email: international@mun.ca

To keep you informed, please see the message below that was sent to students yesterday.

Warm regards.

Dear students,

I am writing this message on the request of my Director, Sonja Knutson, to reach out to students from Saudi Arabia in response to media reports pertaining to the King Abdullah Scholarship Program (KASP) in Canada. You have been included on this email because you have been identified through our student database as being currently registered and as being a citizen of Saudi Arabia or having applied to Memorial University from Saudi Arabia.

We would like to reassure you that Sonja has reached out to the Saudi Cultural Bureau for clarification and is waiting for a response. While we are all watching media sources closely it is important to remember that information needs to come through official channels and that we will keep you updated as we learn more. It is also possible that local or national media may try to contact students for comment. The decision to speak to the media rests entirely with you but we do not recommend students do so at this time. Also, it can be very stressful to watch a story like this unfold when it could potentially have a direct impact on you.

If you think it would be helpful to meet with a student advisor or counsellor you can get in touch with me directly and I can assist or refer you to resources on campus.

*Kind regards,
Juanita*

JUANITA HENNESSEY | INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISOR

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On Aug 7, 2018, at 3:52 PM, [REDACTED] > wrote:

Good afternoon.

I am trying to get a handle on how institutions are handling the Saudi action. I have communicated with Universities Canada. They are taking a responsive approach to media and not making a public statement but they will be providing members with key messages later today. They will share with [REDACTED] They are in direct contact with PMO and other officials about the potential impact on our institutions and gathering information from members.

Can you give me some sense of what is going on at your institutions? Should [REDACTED] be prepared to issue a statement? We may indeed be asked by the government for an indication of impact on students as well as universities.

[REDACTED]

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From: [Jan Stewart](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#); [Lynn Bailey](#); [James Currie](#)
Cc: [Chris Minaker](#); [Alexis Morham](#)
Subject: Re: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Thursday, August 9, 2018 3:30:48 PM

Colin,

Thank you for your responses. In terms of the Saudi Grad Student, who would this person be working with? I'm assuming the supervisor would hire another student, but we would need to ask the supervisor if his/her research would be affected.

Jan

Dr. Jan Stewart
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17(3)(d); 17(3)(e); 26

From: Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 2:31 PM
To: Lynn Bailey <la.bailey@uwinnipeg.ca>, James Currie <j.currie@uwinnipeg.ca>, Jan Stewart <ja.stewart@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Chris Minaker <c.minaker@uwinnipeg.ca>, Alexis Morham <a.morham@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

OK.

- How many Saudi students on your campus would be affected by this decision? How many have families with them? *You have the numbers on the students; we don't necessarily know about families*
- What are potential costs and broader implications of withdrawal of these students from your academic programs? From your research programs? *I gave a cost estimate; this is very difficult to say because if we consider all the students who have applied, and if they came and took four years of studies, that's a large figure. But as I mentioned, the seats that they would have taken are available for other students instead, so we won't actually experience as much real lost revenue. I don't know whether James or Jan has a view on costs to research programs; there was one grad student among our cohort for this year – whether her absence will "cost" her supervisor's research in a real way, it's hard to say.*
- If you have Saudi medical or other professional trainees on campus, please describe the program and outline the costs and implications of withdrawal of these students from your program. *We have no medical trainees here.*

- What are key internal deadlines that need to be considered over the coming weeks? *I suppose Sept. 4 as the start of classes is an important internal deadline re: students not being behind if they were to be allowed to study here after all.*
- What are other issues we should be aware of regarding this situation? *Can't think of anything to add.*

Colin

From: Lynn Bailey
Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2018 1:59 PM
To: James Currie; Jan Stewart; Colin Russell
Cc: Chris Minaker; Alexis Morham
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hello James/Jan/Colin,

Just a reminder on this one that I need to submit a response to Universities Canada on the below questions by tomorrow.

I do have the information you provided, Colin, for the media response, but these questions go a bit beyond that information.

Thank you,
Lynn

From: Annette Trimbee
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:29 AM
To: James Currie <j.currie@uwinnipeg.ca>; Jan Stewart <ja.stewart@uwinnipeg.ca>; Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Chris Minaker <c.minaker@uwinnipeg.ca>; Lynn Bailey <la.bailey@uwinnipeg.ca>; Alexis Morham <a.morham@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hello:

Please see the request below on Saudi students. A response is required by August 9. Please forward the answers to Lynn who can respond to Universities Canada on our behalf.

Thanks

Annette

From: Louise Tardif [<mailto:LTardif@univcan.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:22 AM
Subject: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

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Message on behalf of Paul Davidson

As a result of a diplomatic dispute with the Canadian government over human rights, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has just announced a series of retaliatory measures against what it considers Canadian interference in domestic matters. These measures include the suspension of all Saudi scholarship holders studying in Canada, including King Abdullah Scholars and medical trainees.

Universities Canada has been actively liaising over the weekend with the Canadian government on this matter, given the very significant impact on these students and member institutions.

Early estimates indicate that over 7500 students enrolled in Canadian schools and their dependents could be affected. In addition, there are approximately 2000 medical trainees.

According to senior political officials, while standing by its principled stance on human and women's rights, the federal government recognizes the impact of this student-related decision and is engaging the Saudi government and its embassy in Ottawa to assess the situation and opportunities for de-escalation. Canadian officials would welcome a clear picture of universities' major concerns.

To inform our understanding of the impact on member institutions, we would appreciate it if your international office could provide us with the following information by **Friday, August 11:**

- How many Saudi students on your campus would be affected by this decision? How many have families with them?
- What are potential costs and broader implications of withdrawal of these students from your academic programs? From your research programs?
- If you have Saudi medical or other professional trainees on campus, please describe the program and outline the costs and implications of withdrawal of these students from your program.
- What are key internal deadlines that need to be considered over the coming weeks?
- What are other issues we should be aware of regarding this situation?

As this situation and our outreach unfolds, we will continue to keep members informed. Universities Canada is hosting a call for government relations officers on Thursday August 9 at 1 p.m. EDT to discuss this issue. Your directors of communications will receive an invitation to join.

Note that we are working to ensure a coordinated approach with other PSE stakeholders, including the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada, the U15 as well as colleges and language schools. Staff are developing responsive media messages which can be shared with your directors of communications, but we are not planning a pro-active public statement at this stage.

Thank you for your engagement and institutional response to the above questions. All institutional data will be kept confidential and only aggregate numbers will be shared.

Don't hesitate to contact Pari Johnston, vice president, policy and public affairs at ext. 253 or pjohnston@univcan.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Philip Landon

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From: [James Currie](#)
To: [Annette Trimbee](#)
Cc: [Lynn Bailey](#)
Subject: Fwd: Saudi student issue
Date: Friday, August 10, 2018 6:45:58 AM

FYI,

James

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: August 10, 2018 at 12:34:25 AM CDT
To: James Currie <j.currie@uwinnipeg.ca>, Jan Stewart <ja.stewart@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Saudi student issue

FYI. Not quantified, but a setback to Athar's research if ^{17(1);17(2)}_(e) work is not available to feed into it.

C.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Athar Ata <a.ata@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: August 10, 2018 at 12:00:12 AM CDT
To: Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: Re: Saudi student issue

Hi Colin,

Thanks for your e-mail. As you might know that ^{17(1);17(2)}_(e) has been working in my lab since September 2016. Since then, she has consumed lab supplies (approximately \$ 5000-6000) to acquire research data for her thesis and my time to train her in the lab. In her absence, we will not be able to finalize the data and certainly cost to natural product chemistry research at the UW. I hope that this would be helpful a your end.

Thanks,
Athar

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 3:43 PM
To: Athar Ata
Cc: James Currie; Jan Stewart
Subject: Saudi student issue

Hi Ata,

As you likely know, [REDACTED] 17(1);17(2)(e) is being required to return to Saudi Arabia as per the directive from the government there.

Universities Canada is looking to find out from institutions what the impact is on both academics and research of this policy decision.

Would you say there is a “cost” to your research or other research at UW this Fall if [REDACTED] 17(1);17(2)(e) is not here to contribute her work?

Thanks,
Colin

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lynn Bailey](#)
To: ["Louise Tardif"](#)
Cc: ["Pari Johnston"](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Friday, August 10, 2018 11:37:35 AM
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Good Afternoon Louise,

Here are UWinnipeg's responses to the questions you have posed:

1. How many Saudi students on your campus would be affected by this decision? How many have families with them?
We have three students from Saudi Arabia currently enrolled. We don't know details on families. We also have another six Saudi citizens who have applied for programs commencing next academic year (2018/19).
2. What are potential costs and broader implications of withdrawal of these students from your academic programs? From your research programs?
It is very difficult to determine the exact cost implication of this situation. If we consider the existing three students for the upcoming year, the lost revenue/tuition is approximately \$41,000. If we also consider the additional six applicants for next academic year, they would have paid between \$54,000-\$153,000 depending on their area of studies. We would be able to fill seats in some of the programs, but not in some of the graduate programs, so realistically the lost revenue would be between \$40,000-\$1000,000.

We do have one graduate student who has been conducting research alongside one of our professors. The actual cost of losing the grad student is difficult to quantify (some fixed costs such as lab supplies) but the impact will be the inability to finalize data, impacting on current research.
3. If you have Saudi medical or other professional trainees on campus, please describe the program and outline the costs and implications of withdrawal of these students from your program.
We do not have medical trainees on our campus.
4. What are key internal deadlines that need to be considered over the coming weeks?
The start of classes is September 4th and this is an important internal deadline – if they are permitted to study here, they would not want to arrive much after the start of classes in terms of keeping up with the courses.
5. What are other issues we should be aware of regarding this situation?
We don't have anything further to add.

As additional information, below is what we provided to media outlets when requested for a response:

Statement on Saudi international students affected by scholarship

The University of Winnipeg proudly welcomes more than 700 international students each year from approximately 70 countries around the world. Our campus community is greatly enriched by the cultural and experiential diversity that our international students bring to UWinnipeg.

At this time, UWinnipeg is home to three students from Saudi Arabia. We are also connected with other institutions across Canada who are working with Universities Canada and the federal government to understand the implications of the restrictions and impacts on students. Our international student services office is communicating with affected students to offer support and advice.

The University of Winnipeg recognizes that this is a very challenging diplomatic situation. We believe that educational exchange is one of the best opportunities for international students to gain valuable life experience in an increasingly globalized world.

If you require any further information from UWinnipeg, please do not hesitate to contact me.

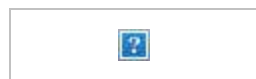
Regards,
Lynn

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17(3)(d); 17(3)(e); 26

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From: Louise Tardif [mailto:LTardif@univcan.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:22 AM

Subject: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

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As a result of a diplomatic dispute with the Canadian government over human rights, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has just announced a series of retaliatory measures against what it considers Canadian interference in domestic matters. These measures include the suspension of all Saudi scholarship holders studying in Canada, including King Abdullah Scholars and medical trainees.

Universities Canada has been actively liaising over the weekend with the Canadian government on this matter, given the very significant impact on these students and member institutions.

Early estimates indicate that over 7500 students enrolled in Canadian schools and their dependents could be affected. In addition, there are approximately 2000 medical trainees.

According to senior political officials, while standing by its principled stance on human and women's rights, the federal government recognizes the impact of this student-related decision and is engaging the Saudi government and its embassy in Ottawa to assess the situation and opportunities for de-escalation. Canadian officials would welcome a clear picture of universities' major concerns.

To inform our understanding of the impact on member institutions, we would appreciate it if your international office could provide us with the following information by **Friday, August 11:**

6. How many Saudi students on your campus would be affected by this decision? How many have families with them?
7. What are potential costs and broader implications of withdrawal of these students from your academic programs? From your research programs?
8. If you have Saudi medical or other professional trainees on campus, please describe the program and outline the costs and implications of withdrawal of these students from your program.
9. What are key internal deadlines that need to be considered over the coming weeks?
10. What are other issues we should be aware of regarding this situation?

As this situation and our outreach unfolds, we will continue to keep members informed. Universities Canada is hosting a call for government relations officers on Thursday August 9 at 1 p.m. EDT to discuss this issue. Your directors of communications will receive an invitation to join.

Note that we are working to ensure a coordinated approach with other PSE stakeholders, including the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada, the U15 as well as colleges and language schools. Staff are developing responsive media messages which can be shared with your directors of communications, but we are not planning a pro-active public statement at this stage.

Thank you for your engagement and institutional response to the above questions. All institutional data will be kept confidential and only aggregate numbers will be shared.

Don't hesitate to contact Pari Johnston, vice president, policy and public affairs at ext. 253 or pjohnston@univcan.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

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From: [International](#)
Subject: Update on the situation affecting Saudi students in Canada
Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 9:16:05 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

The message below was sent to your executive heads earlier this morning.

Le français sera envoyé plus tard ce matin.

Message on behalf of Paul Davidson

Thank you to those 51 members who submitted information on the student and institutional impact of the Saudi government decision. We submitted a national roll up to the PM's Foreign Policy Advisor on Friday night. It is not too late to feed in. As new data continues to come in, we will send an updated report later this week.

On Friday afternoon, staff participated on a PSE stakeholder teleconference convened by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. We received confirmation from IRCC that Saudi students who have a valid study permit and wish to continue their studies in Canada (regardless of the source of their funding) will be able to do so.

Further, it was noted that students from whom funding has been revoked can apply for an [open work permit](#) which, if granted, would increase the allotted number of hours they are eligible to work while studying. We have also reached out to ESDC to see what, if any, financial assistance measures are being contemplated for affected students who independently choose to stay and self-fund their studies in Canada.

Concerned with the human impact, IRCC noted that it would commend institutions that take a flexible approach to help mitigate the disruption for students. Though a student who is granted an academic leave of absence would, according to current guidelines, be contravening the terms of his/her study permit (e.g. not actively pursuing studies in Canada), IRCC will review requests on a case-by-case basis with a certain degree of leniency should the student wish to return to his/her studies in Canada after a period of time.

On our request, IRCC is preparing specific guidelines outlining the different scenarios and recourses that will be available to students. It will convene another group call this week.

PSE stakeholders are also exploring other avenues to mitigate the impact of this decision, such as asking IRCC to consider a special program to fast-track other country study permit applications to mitigate the financial impact on institutions.

On Friday August 10, a group calling themselves the "Coordination Committee for Saudi Students in Canada" released [an English statement](#) calling on the Saudi government to reverse its decision so affected students can complete their studies and research in Canada. Based in Ontario, the group seems to consist of students from graduate and professional programs, but we have no further information. We shared the statement over the weekend with all university directors of communication as well as the Council of Ontario Universities.

The group released two other statements in Arabic on [August 9](#) and [August 12](#). The latter statement, which was subsequently posted [in English](#), indicates that the group has written to Canadian universities, student associations and the Council of Ministers of Education to provide support. This new development will likely lead to renewed media calls. We continue to advise a low-key, responsive media approach based on the broad key messages circulated to your DOCs last week. Given that we want to take care not to say anything that could escalate the situation, or suggest that institutions are actively advising students to stay and defy their government's orders, a few additional key messages have been developed and shared with your DOCs.

To continue to share information and create a forum for exchange among members institutions, we plan to convene another teleconference with directors of university government relations, international and communications offices on Tuesday, August 14 and Friday, August 17. Invitations will be forthcoming.

Please contact Pari Johnston, vice-president, policy and public affairs, with any questions or comments at pjohnston@univcan.ca or ext. 253.

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From: [James Currie](#)
To: [Barbara Doran](#)
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Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 12:43:53 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Begin forwarded message:

From: International <International@univcan.ca>
Date: August 13, 2018 at 12:05:29 PM CDT
To: Undisclosed recipients;;
Subject: **Universities Canada Teleconference: Situation affecting Saudi students in Canada**

La version française suit.

Dear Colleagues,

A GRO/DOC/ILO conference call is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 1:00 PM (ET) and Friday, August 17, 2018, at 1:00 PM (ET). Updated information will be provided on our response to the Saudi Arabian student situation.

To participate in the conference call, please take the following steps:

- 1) Dial the following toll-free # 1-888-289-4573.
- 2) Enter the Conference ID # 9329799 when prompted by the conferencing system.

If you are cut off and need assistance, please contact 1-888-289-4573 and quote the Conference ID #.

I hope you can join us. We look forward to speaking with you.

Cindy

Chers collègues,

Une téléconférence avec les responsables des relations gouvernementales (RRG), les directeurs des communications (DDC) et les agents de liaison internationale (ALI) aura lieu le mardi 14 août 2018 à 13 h (HE) et le vendredi 17 août 2018 à 13 h (HE). Nous profiterons de cette occasion pour vous transmettre de l'information sur notre réaction à la situation des étudiants provenant d'Arabie saoudite.

Voici comment participer à la téléconférence :

- 1) Composez sans frais le 1 888 289-4573.
- 2) Composez le numéro de la téléconférence, 9329799, lorsqu'on vous le demandera.

Si la communication est coupée et que vous avez besoin d'aide, composez le 1 888 289-4573 et mentionnez le numéro de la téléconférence (2076062).

Au plaisir de discuter avec vous.

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Canada – Titulaires d'un permis d'études dont le pays de citoyenneté est l'Arabie saoudite qui possédaient un permis valide au 30 juin, par province ou territoire de destination et niveau d'études, 2018

Destination et niveau d'études	Total
Collégial/cégep	13
ALS/FLS	43
Autres études	3
Primaire	45
Secondaire	16
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	37
Universitaire – Doctorat	55
Universitaire – Maîtrise	39
Universitaire – Autres études	3
Total pour l'Alberta	254
Collégial/cégep	122
ALS/FLS	541
Autres études	42
Primaire	95
Secondaire	26
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	482
Universitaire – Doctorat	77
Universitaire – Maîtrise	102
Universitaire – Autres études	4
Niveau d'études non précisé	3
Total pour la Colombie-Britannique	1 494
Collégial/cégep	4
ALS/FLS	8
Autres études	1
Primaire	8
Secondaire	4
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	15
Universitaire – Doctorat	12
Universitaire – Maîtrise	10
Universitaire – Autres études	1
Total pour le Manitoba	63
Collégial/cégep	3
ALS/FLS	5
Primaire	3
Secondaire	1
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	59
Universitaire – Doctorat	4
Universitaire – Maîtrise	3
Total pour le Nouveau-Brunswick	78
Collégial/cégep	1
Primaire	6

Secondaire	1
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	9
Universitaire – Doctorat	6
Universitaire – Maîtrise	12
Total pour Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador	35
Collégial/cégep	30
ALS/FLS	70
Autres études	5
Primaire	53
Secondaire	12
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	461
Universitaire – Doctorat	43
Universitaire – Maîtrise	56
Universitaire – Autres études	7
Niveau d'études non précisé	1
Total pour la Nouvelle-Écosse	738
Collégial/cégep	583
ALS/FLS	900
Autre niveau postsecondaire	5
Autres études	162
Primaire	583
Secondaire	147
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	1 317
Universitaire – Doctorat	305
Universitaire – Maîtrise	313
Universitaire – Autres études	55
Niveau d'études non précisé	7
Total pour l'Ontario	4 377
ALS/FLS	7
Autre niveau postsecondaire	1
Primaire	1
Secondaire	1
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	41
Universitaire – Doctorat	3
Universitaire – Maîtrise	4
Universitaire – Autres études	1
Total pour l'Île-du-Prince-Édouard	59
Collégial/cégep	17
ALS/FLS	39
Autres études	5
Primaire	50
Secondaire	10
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	112
Universitaire – Doctorat	95
Universitaire – Maîtrise	102
Universitaire – Autres études	5

Total pour le Québec	435
Collégial/cégep	12
ALS/FLS	22
Autres études	2
Primaire	9
Secondaire	4
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	265
Universitaire – Doctorat	18
Universitaire – Maîtrise	15
Universitaire – Autres études	3
Total pour la Saskatchewan	350
Collégial/cégep	55
ALS/FLS	12
Autre niveau postsecondaire	5
Autres études	2
Primaire	1
Universitaire – Baccalauréat	138
Universitaire – Doctorat	16
Universitaire – Maîtrise	7
Universitaire – Autres études	3
Total pour les cas où la destination n'est pas précisée	239
Total	8 122

Canada – Titulaires d'un permis de travail dont le pays de citoyenneté est l'Arabie saoudite qui possédaient un permis valide au 30 juin, par province ou territoire de destination et code de dispense de l'EIMT, 2018

Destination et code de dispense de l'EIMT	Total
C20 Emploi réciproque	1
C22 Professeurs d'échange, conférenciers invités	1
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	2
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	3
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	63
AMT-val Avis relatif au marché du travail - validé	2
Total pour l'Alberta	72
A75 Décision favorable en matière d'admissibilité - catégories de l'immigration économique	1
C10 Intérêts canadiens - avantage important	1
C12 Personnes mutées à l'intérieur d'une société	1
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	24
C41 Époux ou conjoints de fait des travailleurs qualifiés	3
C42 Époux ou conjoints de fait des étudiants	2
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	24
C44 Détenteurs d'une bourse de perfectionnement postdoctoral diplômés du doctorat et titulaires d'une bourse	1
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	49
T13 R204c) - Accords fédéraux-provinciaux ou territoriaux	2
Total pour la Colombie-Britannique	108
C42 Époux ou conjoints de fait des étudiants	1
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	2
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	25
Total pour le Manitoba	28
A70 Demandeurs au Canada	1
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	1
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	2
Total pour le Nouveau-Brunswick	4
C41 Époux ou conjoints de fait des travailleurs qualifiés	1
T13 R204c) - Accords fédéraux-provinciaux ou territoriaux	1
Total pour Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador	2
C42 Époux ou conjoints de fait des étudiants	2
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	14
C44 Détenteurs d'une bourse de perfectionnement postdoctoral diplômés du doctorat et titulaires d'une bourse	3
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	67
T13 R204c) - Accords fédéraux-provinciaux ou territoriaux	2
Total pour la Nouvelle-Écosse	88
A70 Demandeurs au Canada	1
C12 Personnes mutées à l'intérieur d'une société	2
C20 Emploi réciproque	2
C21 Programmes d'échanges jeunesse	1
C22 Professeurs d'échange, conférenciers invités	1
C31 Programmes de recherche	9
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	342

C41 Époux ou conjoints de fait des travailleurs qualifiés	3
C42 Époux ou conjoints de fait des étudiants	5
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	37
C44 Détenteurs d'une bourse de perfectionnement postdoctoral diplômés du doctorat et titulaires d'une bourse	7
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	641
C50 Employés d'organismes religieux ou de bienfaisance	1
AMT-val Avis relatif au marché du travail - validé	7
S61 Demandeurs d'asile	4
S62 Personnes frappées d'une mesure de renvoi qui n'a pu être exécutée	1
Total pour l'Ontario	1 064
A75 Décision favorable en matière d'admissibilité - catégories de l'immigration économique	1
C22 Professeurs d'échange, conférenciers invités	3
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	4
C41 Époux ou conjoints de fait des travailleurs qualifiés	4
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	6
C44 Détenteurs d'une bourse de perfectionnement postdoctoral diplômés du doctorat et titulaires d'une bourse	7
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	263
AMT-val Avis relatif au marché du travail - validé	1
Total pour le Québec	289
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	4
C44 Détenteurs d'une bourse de perfectionnement postdoctoral diplômés du doctorat et titulaires d'une bourse	1
AMT-val Avis relatif au marché du travail - validé	2
T13 R204c) - Accords fédéraux-provinciaux ou territoriaux	2
Total pour la Saskatchewan	9
A70 Demandeurs au Canada	134
A75 Décision favorable en matière d'admissibilité - catégories de l'immigration économique	14
C20 Emploi réciproque	1
C25 Emploi hors campus	1
C32 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - postsecondaire	199
C33 Programmes d'enseignement coopératif - secondaire	1
C41 Époux ou conjoints de fait des travailleurs qualifiés	68
C42 Époux ou conjoints de fait des étudiants	122
C43 Emploi aux cycles supérieurs	901
C45 Médecins résidents et moniteurs	10
H82 Titulaires d'un permis de séjour temporaire valide pour au moins six mois	1
S61 Demandeurs d'asile	149
S62 Personnes frappées d'une mesure de renvoi qui n'a pu être exécutée	12
Total pour les cas où la destination n'est pas précisée	1 613
Total	3 277

From: Sunde.Susan <Susan.Sunde@cic.gc.ca>

Sent: August-15-18 2:21 PM

To:

Subject: Follow up to Teleconference - Saudi Arabia and Canada's International Student Program

Le message français suit.

Hello,

Thank you for your time on Friday afternoon. We hope the discussion was helpful and that we were able to answer most of your questions. We would like to keep our lines of communication open on this issue and will be in contact soon to schedule another conference call.

We would like to reiterate that the Department understands that circumstances arise which are beyond a student's control and that Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada takes these situations into consideration when assessing whether or not a student is compliant with their study permit conditions. When international students are unable to fulfil their conditions as temporary residents due to circumstances entirely beyond their control (e.g., a school strike), they should not face any enforcement measures by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada or the Canada Border Services Agency as long as they are able to provide proof of these circumstances if requested by an officer. International students must, however, maintain valid temporary residence at all times and should maintain their status as a student during this period by renewing their study permit before it expires or becomes invalid.

In the current situation, we realize that students may become unable to financially maintain their stay in Canada. These students may be eligible to apply for an open work permit as destitute students. No processing fees will be charged. Please see below for further information on the LMIA exemption and eligibility, as well as the link for the work permit application.

Labour Market Impact Assessment (LMIA) exemption code: H81

- This exemption applies to foreign students who, due to circumstances beyond their control, may find themselves unable to meet the cost of their studies in Canada, be it their day-to-day needs or their tuition.
- While academic institutions do grant some leeway on obligations such as tuition and residence fees, working may be the only solution for students to subsist in these circumstances.
- Section 208 of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations* provides the opportunity for students to cover such difficult financial periods, should on-campus employment provided for under R186(f) prove to be insufficient.

Eligibility

- Each case should be considered on its own merit. Some cases will be self-evident such as cases of war, upheaval in home country, collapse of the banking system, etc., while others will require further explanation by the applicant, usually at an interview with an immigration officer.
- An open work permit may be issued for the purposes of short-term relief only, and should coincide with the duration of the current term of study (not for the duration of the entire program of studies, or for the duration of the study permit).

- Reference: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/publications-manuals/operational-bulletins-manuals/temporary-residents/foreign-workers/humanitarian-reasons-r208.html>

Link to apply for an open work permit:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/work-canada/permit/temporary/apply.html>

Questions/contact:

For any further queries, clients may contact our Customer Service Centre.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/contact-ircc/client-support-centre.html>

We hope this information was helpful to you and we thank you for your continued collaboration.

Best regards,

Bonjour,

Nous tenons à répéter que le Ministère comprend que des circonstances indépendantes de la volonté des étudiants peuvent survenir, et que Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada tient compte de ces situations lorsqu'il évalue si un étudiant respecte ou non les conditions associées à son permis d'études. Lorsqu'un étudiant étranger n'est pas en mesure de respecter les conditions de résidence temporaire en raison de circonstances indépendantes de sa volonté (p. ex. grève à l'établissement d'enseignement), il ne devrait pas être visé par une mesure d'exécution de la loi prise par Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada ou par l'Agence des services frontaliers du Canada tant qu'il est apte à fournir une preuve de ces circonstances si un agent le lui demande. Cependant, les étudiants étrangers doivent conserver un statut de résident temporaire valide en tout temps et devraient conserver leur statut en tant qu'étudiants pendant cette période en renouvelant leur permis d'études avant son expiration ou avant qu'il soit non valide.

Dans la situation actuelle, nous nous sommes rendu compte que les étudiants peuvent ne plus avoir les moyens financiers nécessaires pour subvenir à leurs besoins pendant leur séjour au Canada. Il est possible que ces étudiants puissent présenter une demande de permis de travail ouvert en tant qu'étudiants démunis. Aucuns frais de traitement ne sera facturés. Veuillez lire ce qui suit pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements sur la dispense d'EIMT et l'admissibilité à cette dernière, ainsi que pour connaître le lien vers la demande de permis de travail.

Code de dispense d'études d'impact sur le marché du travail (EIMT) : H81

- Cette dispense s'applique aux étudiants étrangers qui, en raison de circonstances indépendantes de leur volonté, pourraient ne plus être en mesure d'assumer les coûts associés à leurs études au Canada, qu'il s'agisse de leurs besoins au quotidien ou de leurs frais de scolarité.
- Bien que les établissements d'enseignement accordent une certaine marge de manœuvre pour des obligations comme les frais de scolarité et les frais de résidence, travailler peut être la seule solution permettant aux étudiants de subvenir à leurs besoins dans ces circonstances.

- L'article 208 du *Règlement sur l'immigration et la protection des réfugiés* prévoit une possibilité permettant aux étudiants de se sortir de périodes financières difficiles, si l'emploi sur le campus dont il est question au R186f) s'avère insuffisant.

Admissibilité

- Chaque cas devrait être étudié individuellement. Dans certains cas, comme en cas de guerre ou de bouleversements dans le pays d'origine, d'effondrement du système bancaire, etc., la décision va de soi, alors que d'autres cas exigeront une explication du demandeur, habituellement au cours d'une entrevue avec un agent d'immigration.
- Il est possible de délivrer un permis de travail ouvert aux fins de répit de courte durée seulement, et sa durée de validité devrait correspondre à la durée de la session d'études actuelle (et non à la durée du programme d'études, ou à celle du permis d'études).
- Référence : <https://www.canada.ca/fr/immigration-refugies-citoyennete/organisation/publications-guides/bulletins-guides-operationnels/residents-temporaires/travailleurs-etrangers/motifs-humanitaires-r208.html>.

Lien pour présenter une demande de permis de travail ouvert

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/immigration-refugies-citoyennete/services/travailler-canada/permis/temporaire/presenter-demande.html>

Questions/contact

S'ils ont d'autres questions, les clients peuvent communiquer avec le Centre de soutien à la clientèle.

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/immigration-refugies-citoyennete/organisation/contactez-ircc/centre-soutien-clientele.html>

Nous espérons que cette information vous sera utile, et nous vous remercions de votre collaboration continue.

Salutations distinguées.

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Canada - Study Permit Holders from Saudi Arabia as Country of Citizenship with Valid Permits on June 30th by Province/Territory of Destination and Study Level, 2018

Destination and Study Level	Total
College/Cegep	13
ESL/FSL	43
Other Studies	3
Primary	45
Secondary	16
University - Bachelor's Degree	37
University - Doctorate Degree	55
University - Master's Degree	39
University - Other Studies	3
Alberta Total	254
College/Cegep	122
ESL/FSL	541
Other Studies	42
Primary	95
Secondary	26
University - Bachelor's Degree	482
University - Doctorate Degree	77
University - Master's Degree	102
University - Other Studies	4
Study level not stated	3
British Columbia Total	1,494
College/Cegep	4
ESL/FSL	8
Other Studies	1
Primary	8
Secondary	4
University - Bachelor's Degree	15
University - Doctorate Degree	12
University - Master's Degree	10
University - Other Studies	1
Manitoba Total	63
College/Cegep	3
ESL/FSL	5
Primary	3
Secondary	1
University - Bachelor's Degree	59
University - Doctorate Degree	4
University - Master's Degree	3
New Brunswick Total	78
College/Cegep	1
Primary	6
Secondary	1

University - Bachelor's Degree	9
University - Doctorate Degree	6
University - Master's Degree	12
Newfoundland and Labrador Total	35
College/Cegep	30
ESL/FSL	70
Other Studies	5
Primary	53
Secondary	12
University - Bachelor's Degree	461
University - Doctorate Degree	43
University - Master's Degree	56
University - Other Studies	7
Study level not stated	1
Nova Scotia Total	738
College/Cegep	583
ESL/FSL	900
Other Post Secondary	5
Other Studies	162
Primary	583
Secondary	147
University - Bachelor's Degree	1,317
University - Doctorate Degree	305
University - Master's Degree	313
University - Other Studies	55
Study level not stated	7
Ontario Total	4,377
ESL/FSL	7
Other Post Secondary	1
Primary	1
Secondary	1
University - Bachelor's Degree	41
University - Doctorate Degree	3
University - Master's Degree	4
University - Other Studies	1
Prince Edward Island Total	59
College/Cegep	17
ESL/FSL	39
Other Studies	5
Primary	50
Secondary	10
University - Bachelor's Degree	112
University - Doctorate Degree	95
University - Master's Degree	102
University - Other Studies	5
Quebec Total	435

College/Cegep	12
ESL/FSL	22
Other Studies	2
Primary	9
Secondary	4
University - Bachelor's Degree	265
University - Doctorate Degree	18
University - Master's Degree	15
University - Other Studies	3
Saskatchewan Total	350
College/Cegep	55
ESL/FSL	12
Other Post Secondary	5
Other Studies	2
Primary	1
University - Bachelor's Degree	138
University - Doctorate Degree	16
University - Master's Degree	7
University - Other Studies	3
Destination not stated Total	239
Total	8,122

Canada - Work Permit Holders from Saudi Arabia as Country of Citizenship with Valid Permits on June 30th by Province/Territory of Destination and LMIA Exemption Code, 2018

Destination and LMIA Exemption Code	Total
C20 Reciprocal Employment	1
C22 Exchange Professors, visiting lecturers	1
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	2
C43 Post-grad employment	3
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	63
LMO - Val Labour market opinion - Validated	2
Alberta Total	72
A75 Positive Eligibility - Economic Classes	1
C10 Canadian interests - significant benefit	1
C12 Intra - company transferees	1
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	24
C41 Spouses of skilled workers	3
C42 Spouses of students	2
C43 Post-grad employment	24
C44 Post-doctoral fellows and award recipients	1
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	49
T13 R204(C) - Canada-Provincial/Territorial Agreement	2
British Columbia Total	108
C42 Spouses of students	1
C43 Post-grad employment	2
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	25
Manitoba Total	28
A70 Applicants in Canada	1
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	1
C43 Post-grad employment	2
New Brunswick Total	4
C41 Spouses of skilled workers	1
T13 R204(C) - Canada-Provincial/Territorial Agreement	1
Newfoundland and Labrador Total	2
C42 Spouses of students	2
C43 Post-grad employment	14
C44 Post-doctoral fellows and award recipients	3
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	67
T13 R204(C) - Canada-Provincial/Territorial Agreement	2
Nova Scotia Total	88
A70 Applicants in Canada	1
C12 Intra - company transferees	2
C20 Reciprocal Employment	2
C21 Youth exchange program	1
C22 Exchange Professors, visiting lecturers	1
C31 Research Program	9
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	342
C41 Spouses of skilled workers	3
C42 Spouses of students	5
C43 Post-grad employment	37

C44 Post-doctoral fellows and award recipients	7
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	641
C50 Charitable or Religious work	1
LMO - Val Labour market opinion - Validated	7
S61 Refugee claimants	4
S62 Persons under an unenforceable removal order	1
Ontario Total	1,064
A75 Positive Eligibility - Economic Classes	1
C22 Exchange Professors, visiting lecturers	3
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	4
C41 Spouses of skilled workers	4
C43 Post-grad employment	6
C44 Post-doctoral fellows and award recipients	7
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	263
LMO - Val Labour market opinion - Validated	1
Quebec Total	289
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	4
C44 Post-doctoral fellows and award recipients	1
LMO - Val Labour market opinion - Validated	2
T13 R204(C) - Canada-Provincial/Territorial Agreement	2
Saskatchewan Total	9
A70 Applicants in Canada	134
A75 Positive Eligibility - Economic Classes	14
C20 Reciprocal Employment	1
C25 Off-Campus Employment	1
C32 Co-Op/Internship Post-Secondary	199
C33 Co-Op/Internship Secondary	1
C41 Spouses of skilled workers	68
C42 Spouses of students	122
C43 Post-grad employment	901
C45 Foreign Medical Residents and Fellows	10
H82 Holders of temp. res. perm. valid for 6 mths	1
S61 Refugee claimants	149
S62 Persons under an unenforceable removal order	12
Destination not stated Total	1,613
Total	3,277

From: [James Currie](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#)
Cc: [Jan Stewart](#)
Subject: Fwd: Follow-up: Saudi Arabia scholarship students recall / Suivi : Rappel des étudiants financés par le Royaume de l'Arabie saoudite
Date: Saturday, September 1, 2018 7:57:35 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: International <International@univcan.ca>
Date: August 31, 2018 at 1:17:16 PM CDT
To: Thiago Rocha <TRocha@univcan.ca>
Subject: Follow-up: Saudi Arabia scholarship students recall / Suivi : Rappel des étudiants financés par le Royaume de l'Arabie saoudite

[Le français suit](#)

Dear ILOs,

As part of our response to the Saudi Arabian directive recalling scholarship students from Canada, we have been liaising with IRCC around possible impact mitigation measures. Officials have expressed openness to working with institutions to fast-track other international students to help offset the loss of Saudi students for this academic year. In order to move forward, could you please respond to the following questions by **Friday September 7**:

1	to accept ?	international students
1.1 – From what country(ies)?		
1.2 – How many students?		
1.3 – Please indicate the level (undergraduate/ graduate)		
2 – for winter 2019	?	
2.1 – From what country(ies)?		
2.2 – How many students?		

2.3 – Please indicate the level (undergraduate/ graduate)

We will provide this information to IRCC and they will then map against their capacity at various visa processing centres in countries identified. We hope that through this effort, the losses stemming from the Saudi directive will be minimized.

Please provide this information to my colleague Thiago Rocha, analyst, international relations at trocha@univcan.ca by Friday, September 7.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Madame,
Monsieur.

Depuis l'annonce de la directive de l'Arabie saoudite de rappeler ses étudiants, nous communiquons avec Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada (IRCC) au sujet des mesures possibles d'atténuation des conséquences. Les fonctionnaires se sont montrés ouverts à collaborer avec les établissements pour accélérer l'arrivée d'étudiants d'autres pays pour compenser la perte d'étudiants saoudiens cette année. Dans cette optique, nous vous prions de bien vouloir répondre aux questions suivantes avant **le vendredi 7 septembre**.

1	Votre établissement souhaite-t-il accueillir des étudiants d'autres pays à l'automne 2018 pour compenser la perte d'étudiants saoudiens, et est-il en prêt à le faire?
1.1	De quel(s) pays?
1.2	Combien d'étudiants?
1.3	À quel niveau? (premier cycle/cycles supérieurs)
2	Votre établissement souhaite-t-il accueillir des étudiants d'autres pays à l'hiver 2019 pour compenser la perte d'étudiants saoudiens, et est-il en prêt à le faire?
2.1	De quel(s) pays?
2.2	Combien d'étudiants?
2.3	À quel niveau? (premier cycle/cycles supérieurs)

Nous transmettrons cette information à IRCC qui la comparera à la capacité des centres de traitement des visas dans les pays que vous aurez ciblés. Nous espérons

que ceci permettra de minimiser les pertes découlant de la directive de l'Arabie saoudite.

Veillez transmettre vos réponses à mon collègue Thiago Rocha, analyste, Relations internationales, à trocha@univcan.ca d'ici le vendredi 7 septembre.

Je vous remercie de votre collaboration.

Cindy McIntyre
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From: [Chris Minaker](#)
To: [Dan Elves](#)
Subject: Media request(s) re: Saudi students
Date: Thursday, November 15, 2018 3:49:40 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

From: Chris Minaker
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 4:00 PM
To: Kevin Rosen <k.rosen@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Christine Payne <c.payne@uwinnipeg.ca>; Lynn Bailey <la.bailey@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: Re: Media request(s) re: Saudi students

Shortened up.

Below.

Will meet with Annette shortly to get her approval.

Chris

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On Aug 7, 2018, at 3:04 PM, Kevin Rosen <k.rosen@uwinnipeg.ca> wrote:

Here's a draft for review. Still haven't heard back from Colin on the actual figures.

KR

Statement on Saudi international students affected by scholarship

The University of Winnipeg proudly welcomes more than 700 international students each year from approximately 70 countries around the world. Our campus community is greatly enriched by the cultural and experiential diversity that our international students bring to UWinnipeg.

At this time, UWinnipeg is home to **three** students from Saudi Arabia. We are working with our representative Universities Canada, who is working with the federal government to understand the implications of the restrictions and impact on students. Our international student services office is communicating with affected students to offer support and advice.

The University of Winnipeg recognizes that this is a very challenging diplomatic situation. Educational exchange is one of the best opportunities for international students to gain valuable life experience in an increasingly globalized world.

From: Chris Minaker
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:55 AM
To: Colin Russell; Kevin Rosen; Jan Stewart
Cc: Lynn Bailey; Christine Payne
Subject: RE: Media request(s) re: Saudi students

Thanks Kevin, Jan and Colin,

Kevin – please prepare the statement based on the information and send to me for final approval before submitting to the media.

I do not like the idea of providing a student to the CBC for comment.

Chris

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:08 AM
To: Kevin Rosen <k.rosen@uwinnipeg.ca>; Jan Stewart <ja.stewart@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Chris Minaker <c.minaker@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: RE: Media request(s) re: Saudi students

Hi Kevin,
We're getting the figures together as Universities Canada has also requested it, so we will be able to provide info for our own statement too.
Cheers,
Colin

From: Kevin Rosen
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:06 AM
To: Colin Russell; Jan Stewart
Cc: Chris Minaker
Subject: Media request(s) re: Saudi students
Importance: High

Hi Jan and Colin,

I've had media requests in the last 30 mins from both CBC and Winnipeg Free Press (and may get more) regarding Saudi Arabia suspending scholarships for about 16,000 Saudi students studying in Canada and ordering them to attend schools elsewhere – in retaliation for Canadian officials criticizing Saudi Arabia over human rights.

We've been asked for the following:

- Number of Saudi students at UW
- Breakdown of Saudi students by studies (Undergrad, graduate studies, what

departments)

- Financial impact on the University of losing these students
- CBC is wondering if there are any affected students willing to talk to them

As this is breaking news, both outlets are looking for a response by early afternoon.

Chris – are you ok with providing this info to media, if available? If so, shall we craft a statement that includes whatever info we can share along with a comment about how we value human rights?

Please give me a call at 786-9381 if easier to discuss in person.

Thanks

Kevin

Kevin Rosen

Executive Director
Marketing and Communications

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From: [Krista Krueger](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 9:34:06 AM

Hi Colin,
 No we don't.
 Thanks, Krista

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:49 AM
To: Krista Krueger; PACE Registration
Cc: Ashley Dunlop
Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi,
 Do you have Saudi students registered for this Fall? Can you let me know the number?
 Thanks,
 Colin

From: Jan Stewart
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:32 AM
To: Ashley Dunlop; Colin Russell
Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hello Ashley and Colin,

Do either of you know of how many UW students would be affected by this ban?

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From: Annette Trimbee <a.trimbee@uwinnipeg.ca>
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 9:28 AM
To: James Currie <j.currie@uwinnipeg.ca>, Jan Stewart <ja.stewart@uwinnipeg.ca>, Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Chris Minaker <c.minaker@uwinnipeg.ca>, Lynn Bailey <la.bailey@uwinnipeg.ca>, Alexis

Morham <a.morham@uwinnipeg.ca>

Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hello:

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Thanks

Annette

From: Louise Tardif [<mailto:L.Tardif@univcan.ca>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:22 AM

Subject: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Ce message est disponible en anglais seulement

Message on behalf of Paul Davidson

As a result of a diplomatic dispute with the Canadian government over human rights, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has just announced a series of retaliatory measures against what it considers Canadian interference in domestic matters. These measures include the suspension of all Saudi scholarship holders studying in Canada, including King Abdullah Scholars and medical trainees.

Universities Canada has been actively liaising over the weekend with the Canadian government on this matter, given the very significant impact on these students and member institutions.

Early estimates indicate that over 7500 students enrolled in Canadian schools and their dependents could be affected. In addition, there are approximately 2000 medical trainees.

According to senior political officials, while standing by its principled stance on human and women's rights, the federal government recognizes the impact of this student-related decision and is engaging the Saudi government and its embassy in Ottawa to assess the situation and opportunities for de-escalation. Canadian officials would welcome a clear picture of universities' major concerns.

To inform our understanding of the impact on member institutions, we would appreciate it if your international office could provide us with the following information by **Friday, August 11:**

- How many Saudi students on your campus would be affected by this decision? How many have families with them?
- What are potential costs and broader implications of withdrawal of these students from your academic programs? From your research programs?
- If you have Saudi medical or other professional trainees on campus, please describe the program and outline the costs and implications of withdrawal of these students from your

program.

- What are key internal deadlines that need to be considered over the coming weeks?
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As this situation and our outreach unfolds, we will continue to keep members informed. Universities Canada is hosting a call for government relations officers on Thursday August 9 at 1 p.m. EDT to discuss this issue. Your directors of communications will receive an invitation to join.

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Thank you for your engagement and institutional response to the above questions. All institutional data will be kept confidential and only aggregate numbers will be shared.

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From: [Gisele Rae Vizza](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#); [Jackie Bend](#)
Cc: [Ashley Dunlop](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 11:09:22 AM
Attachments: [Saudi Arabia.xlsx](#)

Hi Colin,

I have attached the report. I highlighted the accepted students and their programs. Only 2 are actually registered in courses. The PROV students that are highlighted and I believe are in ELP for the language requirement. I don't know if there are any special groups that should be included, it didn't look like it on the report.

Thanks,
 Gisele

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:11 AM
To: Gisele Rae Vizza; Jackie Bend
Cc: Ashley Dunlop
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi Gisele,
 If you can provide numbers by Majors and Programs they have declared at admission, that would be good, as there is a request from the media for that too.
 Thanks,
 C.

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:44 AM
To: Gisele Rae Vizza; Jackie Bend
Cc: Ashley Dunlop
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Hi,
 Jennifer is sick today, so I'm wondering whether one of you can provide the number of Saudi students we have admitted for the Fall.
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Student Number	Last Name	First Name	Citizenship	Agent	City	Province	Country	Institution1	Program 1	Start Term 1	Appl Status 1	Prospect Status 1	Residency Status 1	Appl Admit Status 1	Student Admit Status 1	Total Registered Credits
17(1);17(2)(e)			Yemen		17(1);17(2)(e)		SA	17(1);17(2)(e)	U.COMMRRC.BA4	U2017S	AI	UTRF				0
			Yemen				SA		U.ACS.INFOSYS.BSC	U2017S	AI	UHSP				0
			Jordan				SA		U.BUSADM.ACCT.BBA4	U2018F	AI	USD			18-020-15A	0
			Ethiopia				SA		U.ENVSC.FPM.BSC4	U2018F	AI	UHSP				0
			Sudan				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA3	U2017S	AI	USD				0
			Syrian Arab Republic				SA		U.PREARCH	U2018F	AI	USD				0
			Sierra Leone				SA		U.GENSCI	U2018F	AI	UHSP				0
			Yemen				SA		U.ACS.INFOSYS.BSC	U2017S	AI	UHSP				0
			Pakistan				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA4	U2017S	AI	UHSP				0
			Jordan				SA		U.PREDENT	U2018F	AI	UTRF				0
			Sudan				SA		U.APPCOMPS.BSC4	U2017S	AI	UREGA				0
			Indonesia				SA		U.POLITICS.BA3	U2018W	AI	UHSP				0
			Sudan				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA4	U2017S	DE	USD				0
			Nigeria				SA		U.PRERESTH	U2017S	DE	USD				0
			Jordan				SA		U.PRECHIRO	U2018F	MS	UHSP		UREG	UREG	0
			Pakistan				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA4	U2018F	MS	UTRF		UREG	UREG	0
			Pakistan				SA		U.BUSADM.ACCT.BBA4	U2017S	MS	UHSP		UREG	UREG	18
			Pakistan				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA4	U2018F	MS	UHSP		UREG	UREG	24
			South Africa				SA		U.APPCOMSC.BSCH	U2018F	MS	UHSP		UREG	UREG	0
			India				SA		U.ACS.HLTHINFO.BSC	U2018F	MS	UHSP		UREG	UREG	0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.ACS.SCICOMP.BSC4	U2018F	PR	UREGA				0
			Bangladesh				SA		U.APPCOMSC.BSC	U2018F	PR	UTRF				0
			Yemen				SA		U.PREMED	U2018F	PR	UHSP				0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.EFIN.BBA4	U2017S	PR	UHSP				0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.PREMED	U2017S	PR	UREGA				0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.PREMED	U2018F	PR	USD				0
			Yemen				SA		U.ECON.BA4	U2018F	PR	UHSP				0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.GENSCI	U2017S	PR	UHSP				0
			Eritrea				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA4	U2017S	PR	UHSP				0
			Pakistan				SA		U.RRCBUSADM.BBA3	U2018W	PR	USD				0
			Chad				SA		U.BIOLOGY.BSC4	U2018F	PR	UHSP				0
			Egypt				SA		U.APPCOMSC.BSC	U2017S	PR	USD				0
			Somalia				SA		U.BUSADM.BBA3	U2017S	PR	USD				0
			Sudan				SA		U.ACS.INFOSYS.BA3	U2018W	PR	USD				0
			Chad				SA		U.BIOLOGY.BSC	U2018F	PR	UHSP				0
			Saudi Arabia				SA		U.APPCOMSC.BSC	U2018F	PROV	UHSP		UESL		0
			Syrian Arab Republic				SA		U.APPCOMPS.BSC4	U2018F	PROV	UREGA		UREGI		0
			Egypt				SA		U.APPCOMPS.BSC4	U2018F	PROV	UHSP		UESL		0
			Sudan				SA		U.PREMED	U2017S	PROV	UHSP		UESL		0
			Egypt				SA		U.PREMED	U2017S	PROV	UHSP		UESL		0
			Yemen				SA		U.GENARTS	U2017S	WITH	UTRF				0
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From: [Allison Norris](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#)
Cc: [Ashley Dunlop](#); [Manish Pandey](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 12:11:22 PM

Hello Colin,

I have contacted the program chairs and the following student is from Saudi Arabia:

17(1);17(2)(e) – indicated she receives the scholarship, but it's not in our records (she said "it's complicated")

I am still waiting for confirmation from Applied Computer Science, but from the records I can access there does not appear to be any students from Saudi Arabia in their program.

Thank you for your patience with us as we gathered this information.

Regards,
 Allison

From: Allison Norris
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Colin Russell <c.russell@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Ashley Dunlop <as.dunlop@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

I have just gotten myself up to date on this situation and will get this done immediately.

-Allison

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 10:26 AM
To: Allison Norris <a.norris@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Ashley Dunlop <as.dunlop@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi Allison,
 Communications is now looking to get the info as well, to respond to media requests, so if it's possible to get the info by early afternoon, that would be preferable. If you need until the end of the day, OK.
 Thanks,
 Colin

From: Allison Norris
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:24 AM
To: Colin Russell
Cc: Ashley Dunlop
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hello Colin,

It may take a bit for me to look through the information Dagm has on file – can I get this to you by end of day today?

-Allison

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 9:48 AM
To: Allison Norris <a.norris@uwinnipeg.ca>
Cc: Ashley Dunlop <as.dunlop@uwinnipeg.ca>
Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi Allison,
Since both Eric and Dagm are away, are you able to tell me the number of Saudi grad students admitted and the number registered, for this Fall?
Thanks,
Colin

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To: Ashley Dunlop; Colin Russell
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From: [Ali Raza](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#); [Erin Nicole Proctor](#); [Ashley Dunlop](#); [Katy Leverick](#); [Allison Norris](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 11:26:19 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi,

We have only undergraduate list and these are the two students. However we cannot identify if they are scholarship recipients.

Student #	Last name	First Name
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Thanks

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From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:21 AM
To: Erin Nicole Proctor; Ashley Dunlop; Ali Raza; Katy Leverick; Allison Norris
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Thanks, Erin.
 Colin

From: Erin Nicole Proctor
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:21 AM
To: Colin Russell; Ashley Dunlop; Ali Raza; Katy Leverick; Allison Norris
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Good morning,

Here is a list of the Undergraduate and Graduate students sponsored last year by the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia. The Financial Guarantee sent by the Bureau doesn't indicate the category of financial support but I have attached a copy for your reference.

Student #

Registered
for
2018/2019

From: Colin Russell
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:51 AM

To: Ashley Dunlop

Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

OK, thanks.

C.

From: Ashley Dunlop

Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:50 AM

To: Colin Russell; Krista Krueger; PACE Registration

Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi Colin,

I checked with Nicky and she said that there are none, and ELP currently has none.

Ashley

Ashley Dunlop

Director, Student Recruitment

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Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:49 AM

To: Krista Krueger; PACE Registration

Cc: Ashley Dunlop

Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

Hi,

Do you have Saudi students registered for this Fall? Can you let me know the number?

Thanks,

Colin

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Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 9:32 AM

To: Ashley Dunlop; Colin Russell

Subject: FW: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home

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Jan

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From: [Colin Russell](#)
To: [Dan Elves](#)
Subject: FW: Saudi student issue
Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018 2:20:48 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Athar Ata
 Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 1:28 AM
 To: Colin Russell
 Subject: Re: Saudi student issue

Hi Colin,

17(1);17(2)(e) has been permitted by her Government to stay until July 2019 to complete her M.Sc degree requirements.
 She is working in the lab to complete her thesis.

Thanks,
 Athar

From: Colin Russell
 Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2018 11:53 PM
 To: Athar Ata
 Subject: Re: Saudi student issue

Hi Athar,
 I see that 17(1);17(2)(e) is still registered in her continuance term this Fall. Was she able to get permission from the Saudi government to remain to finish, and is she working in the lab on her thesis?

Thanks,
 Colin

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 10, 2018, at 12:00 AM, Athar Ata <a.ata@uwinnipeg.ca> wrote:

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> Hi Colin,

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> Thanks for your e-mail. As you might know that 17(1);17(2)(e) has been working in my lab since September 2016. Since then, she has consumed lab supplies (approximately \$ 5000-6000) to acquire research data for her thesis and my time to train her in the lab. In her absence, we will not be able to finalize the data and certainly cost to natural product chemistry research at the UW. I hope that this would be helpful a your end.

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> Thanks,

> Athar

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> From: Colin Russell
 > Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 3:43 PM
 > To: Athar Ata
 > Cc: James Currie; Jan Stewart
 > Subject: Saudi student issue

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> Hi Ata,

> As you likely know, [REDACTED] is being required to return to Saudi Arabia as per the directive from the government there. Universities Canada is looking to find out from institutions what the impact is on both academics and research of this policy decision. Would you say there is a “cost” to your research or other research at UW this Fall if [REDACTED] is not here to contribute her work?

> Thanks,

> Colin

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> Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ashley Dunlop](#)
To: [Colin Russell](#); [Jan Stewart](#)
Subject: FW: Saudia Arabia and students in Canada
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 12:53:46 PM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Hi Colin and Jan,

I know that Colin has been working on pulling together our list of students who will be affected by the KSA situation. Here's some helpful additional information that came through the SACE listserv. I will forward anything else that comes through that is relevant.

Ashley

From: SACE [mailto:SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA] On Behalf Of 17(1);17(3)(e)
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 11:35 AM
To: SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA
Subject: Re: Saudia Arabia and students in Canada

Hi All, I just had a phone conversation with SACB and would like to share some information with you hoping that you will find it useful.

20(2)(a)



Thanks!

17(1);17(3)(e)



From: SACE <SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA> On Behalf Of 17(1);17(3)(e)

Sent: August 6, 2018 12:08 PM

To: SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA

Subject: Re: Saudia Arabia and students in Canada

Thanks 17(1);17(3)(e)

Thanks for it. I have read it early this morning.

17(1);17(3)(e)

From: SACE [<mailto:SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA>] **On Behalf Of** 17(1);17(3)(e)

Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 10:23 AM

To: SACE@LISTSERV.CBIE.CA

Subject: Re: Saudia Arabia and students in Canada

Hi all,

Some many uncertainties about what's going to happen with Saudi Arabian students... Here are some articles my coworker just shared with me.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-saudi-canada-diplomacy-education/saudi-arabia-suspends-educational-exchange-programmes-with-canada-al-arabiya-tv-idUSKBN1KR1ES?il=0>

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Let's keep each other updated.

Thanks,

17(1);17(3)(e)

On Aug 6, 2018, at 6:31 AM, 17(1);17(3)(e) > wrote:

Hi everyone, students here on campus are quite worried that their government will pull them out of school here. I guess the reports from home are quite alarmist. Of course, this could all just be rumors. Has CBIE had any official news?

17(1);17(3)(e)

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From: [Colin Russell](#)
To: [Jan Stewart](#); [Ashley Dunlop](#)
Subject: RE: Update on decision by Saudi government to recall Saudi scholarship holders home
Date: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 3:14:16 PM

Hi Jan,

There are 42 applicants to Undergrad from Saudi Arabia for this year. Of those, six are Saudi citizens, one of whom has been admitted to Applied Computer Science provisionally pending language requirement. The other five we are awaiting payment of the application fee so their applications are not completed. They have applied to Pre-Med, Pre-Med, General Science, Applied Computer Science, RRC Joint Business Admin, and Economics and Finance, respectively.

Currently enrolled, there are:

One student in a Business and Administration program in undergrad, who is on a King Abdullah scholarship;

One student in 17(1);17(2)(e) in Grad Studies, who says she is on a King Abdullah scholarship although we don't have a record of it;

One student in a Marketing Diploma program in PACE.

There is one student in ELP who is finishing on August 17; my understanding is that students in Spring courses are being allowed to finish, but those registered for Fall are being told to return home, so she should not be included among those affected by the policy.

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