

HOROSCOPES & HUMOUR by Dave Tompkins

THE "CAMPAIGN PROMISES YOU CAN REALLY KEEP" ISSUE



ARIES (March 21 – April 19)
You promise to re-invest all of your salary right back into the system by having your paycheque automatically transferred to your tab at Koerner's.



TAURUS (April 20 – May 20)
You promise to constantly hound the horoscope author for a rosier prediction each month – over and over until he says: You're goona get laid!



GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)
You promise to yell at the university and ask for more consultation and transparency, but you'll get awfully bitter when students ask the same of you.



CANCER (June 22 – July 22)
You promise to spend a year schmoozing and meeting lots and lots of people. You also promise to forget and/or mispronounce everyone's names.



LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)
You promise to be completely unprepared, dress inappropriately and accidentally curse at several speaking engagements you will have this year.



VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sep. 22)
You promise to be so busy that you won't have time for your friends. Sure, you'll make some new friends, but they'll just be some political weenies.



LIBRA (Sep. 23 – Oct. 23)
You promise to write, re-write and refine your résumé, ensuring that you completely over-hype and inflate both your importance and experience.



SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 21)
You promise to milk the system and take advantage of every perk, benefit and opportunity that is thrown your way, but still remain sanctimonious.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)
You'll make promises to change things for the better and implement new ideas, only to learn later that your goals were completely unrealistic.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)
You promise to make grandiose claims about what the average student thinks and feels about issues, but in reality you'll have absolutely no clue.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)
You promise to go to conferences where you will get two or three hours of work done, interspersed amongst several days of drinking and debauchery.

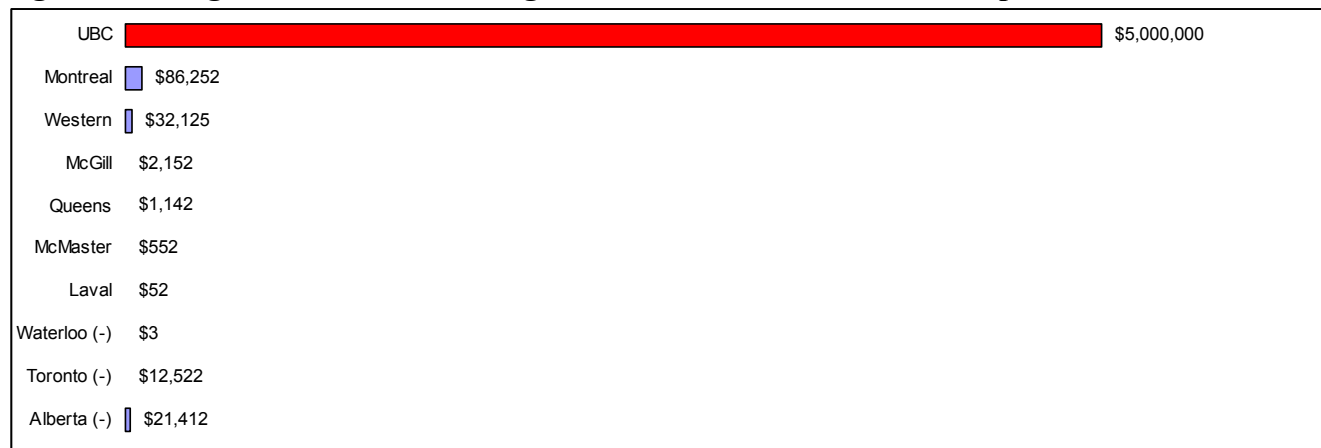


PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)
You promise to feel good about how all of your hard work will be appreciated by your successors, unlike all those lazy morons that preceded you.

It appears that the University Benchmarking and Efficiency Analysis Report is missing one figure:

Miscalculations

Figure 82 Budget Shortfalls Occurring from Tuition Miscalculations, Top 10 Universities 2002/03



source: imPAIRed

This year UBC lead the Top 10 in budget miscalculations. Last year, UBC was especially strong in enrollment miscalculations (figure not shown).