



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Faculty of Arts



THE COMPASS: ARTS STUDENT ENGAGEMENT HUB

Celebrating the Growth of the Compass

2022 / 2023

The Arts Compass Student Engagement Hub

Year in Review: 2022 / 2023

What is the Arts Compass?

Created in 2021, the Compass — a community of Arts students, staff, faculty, and alumni that offers curated resources for student engagement and career preparation — has just completed its second year. This year we expanded our collaboration with campus partners, working with Go Global, Critical Indigenous Studies, UBC Librarians, and many others, to bring new programs to students.



Why the Compass?

Compass programming is developed in consultation with students, particularly the AUS, and is hosted in the new Arts Student Centre. We foster a welcoming community for Arts students to help them navigate and maximize their Arts degree experience by providing student engagement and career programming and resources.

New for the Compass in 2022/2023

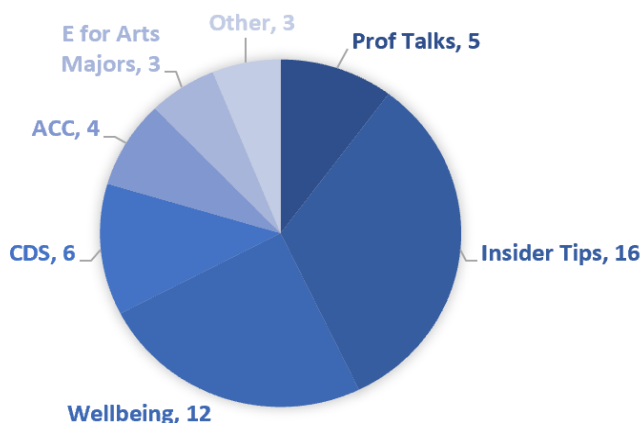
- A seventh pathway, Entrepreneurship for Arts Majors, was added to the Compass, in collaboration with entrepreneurship@UBC
- Work on a Compass Canvas course was started, with an expected launch in Summer 2023
- Partner Programs were added to the Compass website to help cross-promote programming
- The Compass Project Coordinator role was created to manage the day-to-day logistics of the Compass, support all Compass events, and facilitate long-term strategic planning for the Compass

Seven Pathways to Student Success

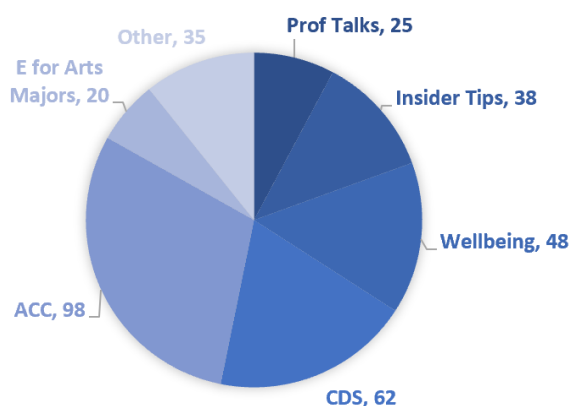
1. **Arts Insider Tips** — Arts faculty and staff members offer workshops on award opportunities, how to get involved, navigating the institution, and more.
2. **Career Design Studios** — This series teaches undergraduate Arts students across all year levels tools to design a meaningful path through their Arts degree and think about life after graduation. Students develop skills to tell their story in resumes, cover letters, interview skills, job search strategies, and more.
3. **Arts Career Conversations** — This series teaches undergraduate Arts students across all year levels tools to design a meaningful path through their Arts degree and think about life after graduation. Students develop skills to conduct an effective job search, practice telling their story verbally and in writing, and have the opportunity to meet with Arts Alumni.
4. **Amplifier for Arts Graduate Students** — The Arts Amplifier is designed to help UBC Arts graduate students and postdoctoral fellows turn their ideas and projects into meaningful work experiences. We support paid short-term employment and applied research projects that integrate public engagement and knowledge exchange.
5. **Wellbeing Workshops** — In a series of workshops, Arts Embedded Counsellor Laura Harvey addresses pressing issues around student mental health and wellbeing as she provides helpful tips and skills, and connects students with each other.
6. **Prof Talks** — Students meet and learn from faculty members from a range of departments who will share their expertise and advice through informal, authentic conversation. Some of the previous topics covered are the psychology of gaming, how to make the most of your time at UBC, and how to bounce back after a low grade.
7. **Entrepreneurship for Arts Majors** — Customized training for UBC Arts majors, offered in collaboration with entrepreneurship@UBC, that provides support to conceive, research, design, and prototype a start-up, agency, venture, project, or service, or to kick-start running your own initiative, business or not-for-profit society. The full program includes three workshops, individual meetings with an Arts entrepreneur-in-residence, an end of term presentation, and guided reflections to help launch students' ventures.

Event Statistics

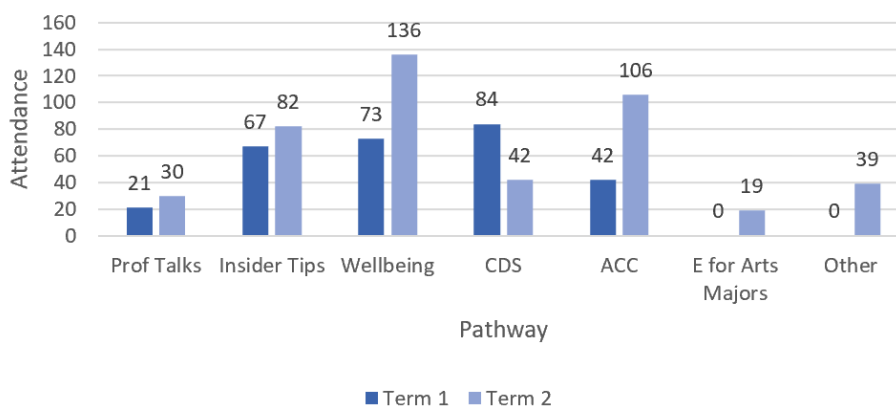
TOTAL EVENTS PER PATHWAY



AVERAGE REGISTRANTS PER PATHWAY



Attendance Term 1 vs Term 2



The People Behind the Compass 2022 / 2023

- Laura Moss – Associate Dean, Students
- Christine Lee – Associate Director, Alumni Relations
- Julie Walchli – Executive Director, Work Integrated Education & Career Initiatives
- Paul Lee – Student Engagement Officer
- Carli Fink – Career Strategist
- Reshaad Ali – Alumni Engagement Manager
- Laura Harvey – Counsellor
- Letitia Henville – Manager, Graduate Work Integrated Learning Programs
- Carolyn Veldstra – Manager, Graduate Work Integrated Learning Programs
- Mason Margotta – Compass Project Coordinator
- Angelina Tagliaferro – Communications and Marketing Strategist
- Alycia Steven – Communications and Marketing Strategist
- Georgia Krombein – WorkLearn Student
- Mary Falade – WorkLearn Student
- Fatima Rua – AUS President
- Ghazal Rezaei – AUS VP External

Student Feedback in Response to, “What did you find most helpful?”

- “The welcoming and supportive energy of talking and collaborating with other people in-person.”
- “Everything! I didn’t know much about the resources at UBC.”
- “I learned new things collaboratively and received helpful resources.”
- “At the end when we practiced progressive muscle relaxation, it really set me up nicely to be relaxed/not tense for the rest of the day!”

*Attendance numbers and feedback from facilitator survey and the end of event survey distributed to participants
To learn more about the Arts Compass, please email arts.compass@ubc.ca.

List of Events

Date	Event	Pathway
Term 1		
9/14/2022	Prof Talks: Making the Most of your Arts Degree	Prof Talks
9/20/2022	Insider Tips - Library Session: Accelerate Your Academics with the Library - Humanities	Insider Tips
9/21/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: How to Get Grounded	Wellbeing Workshop
9/21/2022	Career Design Studio, Session 1	Career Design Studio
9/22/2022	Insider Tips - Library Session: Accelerate Your Academics with the Library - Social Sciences	Insider Tips
9/22/2022	Insider Tips: Go Global Event	Insider Tips
9/28/2022	Orange Shirt Day: Introduction to Indian Residential School History and Dialogue Centre	Prof Talks
9/28/2022	Career Design Studio, Session 2	Career Design Studio
10/3/2022	Arts Career Conversations: The Art of Green Careers	Arts Career Conversations
10/5/2022	Insider Tips: Awards Info Session	Insider Tips
10/5/2022	Career Design Studio, Session 3	Career Design Studio
10/12/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: Sleep Strategies	Wellbeing Workshop
10/12/2022	Career Design Studio, Session 4	Career Design Studio
10/14/2022	Insider Tips - Library Session: Civic Engagement in the Climate Emergency	Insider Tips
10/17/2022	Insider Tips: Go Global Event	Insider Tips
10/19/2022	Insider Tips: Q&A with Arts Academic Advising	Insider Tips
10/19/2022	Arts ePortfolio Workshop	Insider Tips
10/26/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: Lost your Motivation? Lets Find it!	Wellbeing Workshop
11/2/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: Increase Focus and Reduce Procrastination	Wellbeing Workshop
11/2/2022	Arts Career Conversations: The Art of Multilingual Careers	Arts Career Conversations
11/23/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: Perfectionism - What is it? And how it might be Holding you Back	Wellbeing Workshop
11/30/2022	Prof Talks: Preparing for Exams	Prof Talks
12/7/2022	Wellbeing Workshop: Destress with Rabbits	Wellbeing Workshop
07/12/2022 - 9/12/2022	Career Design Studio	Career Design Studio

Date	Event	Pathway
Term 2		
1/11/2023	Prof Talks: Conversations about Colonialism	Prof Talks
1/17/2023	Insider Tips - Library Session: Accelerate Your Academics with the Library	Insider Tips
1/18/2023	Insider Tips: Ask an Academic Advisor Anything	Insider Tips
1/25/2023	Arts Dean Reception	Other
1/25/2023	Arts Career Conversations: The Art of Landing a Job	Arts Career Conversations
1/26/2023	Insider Tips: Communicating Policy Workshop	Insider Tips
2/1/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Felling Stressed? Learn How to get Grounded	Wellbeing Workshop
2/2/2023	Insider Tips: Cite it Right with the Library	Insider Tips
2/8/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Imposterism	Wellbeing Workshop
2/8/2023	Insider Tips: Get Involved at UBC - Student Experience Panel	Insider Tips
2/15/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Spread Some Love with Arts Students	Wellbeing Workshop
21/02/2023 - 23/2/2023	Career Design Studio	Career Design Studio
2/28/2023	ePortfolio Workshop	Insider Tips
3/1/2023	Dean Clare Drop In	Other
3/1/2023	Prof Talks: So you want to go to Grad School?	Prof Talks
3/2/2023	Arts Career Conversations: the Art of Consulting	Arts Career Conversations
3/8/2023	Insider Tips: Arts Co-op Program Info Session	Insider Tips
3/15/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Relax with Rabbits	Wellbeing Workshop
3/22/2023	Insider tips: Plan Your Study Schedule with Arts Peer Academic Coaches	Insider Tips
3/29/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Perfectionism - What is it? And how might it be Holding you Back	Wellbeing Workshop
4/5/2023	Dean Clare Drop In	Other
4/5/2023	Wellbeing Workshop: Increase Focus and Reduce Procrastination	Wellbeing Workshop
01/24/2023 - 05/02/2023	Entrepreneurship for Arts Majors	Entrepreneurship for Arts Majors