



Okanagan Senate

SENATE ORIENTATION SESSION 3

EXECUTIVE PORTOLIO PRESENTATIONS

THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

2:30 P.M to 4:00 P.M.

RHS 257 and VIA REMOTE ATTENDANCE

1. **Welcome** – Mr Christopher Eaton, Clerk to the Senates

2:30-2:35 pm

2. **Office of the University Counsel** – Mr Mark Crosbie, Associate University Counsel

2:35-2:50 pm

3. **Office of the Vice-President Students** – Dr Ainsley Carry / Mr Dale Mullings

2:50-3:05 pm

4. **Office of the Vice-President Research & Innovation** – Dr Gail Murphy / Dr Philip Barker

3:20-3:35 pm

5. **Office of the Vice-President Academic & Provost / Enrolment Planning at UBC** – Dr Rehan Sadiq, with Ms Rella Ng and Mr Sam Saini for enrolment

3:35-4:00 pm



THE FIRST MEETING OF THE OKANAGAN SENATE
FOR THE 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

4:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

1. **Call to Order – Dr Deborah Buszard** (information)
2. **Membership – Mr Christopher Eaton**
 - a) 2023-2026 Senate Membership (information) (docket pages 4-5)
 - b) 2023-2026 Senate Nominating Committee (information)

As per the Rules and Procedures of Senate, the following Senators have been nominated by the deadline of 11 September 2023:

Dr Patricia Lasserre

Dr Jan Cioe

Mr Rob Johnson

Dr Michael Evans

Dr Daniel Keyes

As there were five vacancies on the Committee, the above senators are acclaimed as elected until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced.
 - c) Election of a Vice-Chair of Senate

Pursuant to the *Rules and Procedures of Senate*, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Dr Lesley Cormack is nominated. Other senators may also be nominated by contacting the Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. If further nominations occur, an election will be held. The term is for no more than one (1) year.
3. **Minutes of the Meetings of 18 May 2023 – Dr Deborah Buszard** (approval) (docket pages 6-28)
4. **Business Arising from the Minutes - Dr Deborah Buszard** (information)
5. **Remarks from the Chair and Related Questions – Dr Deborah Buszard** (information)



6. **Remarks from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Related Questions – Dr Lesley Cormack** (information)
7. **Remarks from the Provost and Related Questions – Dr Rehan Sadiq** (information)
8. **Candidates for Degrees – Dr Deborah Buszard**
The list as approved by the faculties is available for advance inspection at the Senate office, and will also be available at the meeting.
The Chair of Senate calls for the following motion:
That the candidates for degrees and diplomas, as recommended by the faculties, be granted the degrees for which they were recommended, effective September 2023, and that a committee comprised of the Registrar, the dean of the relevant faculty, and the Chair of Senate be empowered to make any necessary adjustments (approval) (2/3 majority required).
9. **Admissions & Awards – Ms Tamara Ebl**
New and Revised awards (approval) (docket pages 29-39)
10. **Nominating Committee – Dr Daniel Keyes**
Appointments to Committees of Senate and of the Council of Senates (approval) (docket pages 40-41)
11. **Report from the Registrar – Mr Christopher Eaton**
2023-2026 Triennial Election Results (Continued) (information) (docket page 42)
12. **Other Business**

Reception to follow.

Senate Membership 2023-2026

Ex Officio

- Chancellor (The Hon. Steven L. Point)
- Acting President (Dr. Deborah Buszard)
- Provost and Vice-President, Academic (Dr. Rehan Sadiq)
- University Librarian or Designate (Mr. Robert Janke)
- Director of Continuing Education or Designate (Ms. Heather Berringer)

Added to the Senate under Section 35.1(3)(J) of the University Act

- Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Principal (Dr. Lesley Cormack)
- Dean of the College of Graduate Studies (Dr. Peter Simpson)
- Vice-Principal, Research (Dr. Philip Barker)

Deans of Faculties

- Dr. James Olson, Applied Science
- Dr. Silvia Tomášková, Arts and Social Sciences

- Dr. Bryce Traister, Creative and Critical Studies
- Dr. Jan Hare, Education, *Pro Tem*.
- Dr. Marie Tarrant, Health and Social Development, *Pro Tem*.
- Dr. Sandy Hilton, Management, *Pro Tem*.
- Dr. Gino DiLabio, Science

Representatives of the Faculty of Applied Science

- Dr. Julian Cheng, Professor
- Dr. Peyman Yousefi, Lecturer

Representatives of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

- Dr. Ruth Frost, Associate Professor
- Dr. Maya Libben, Associate Professor

Representatives of the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies

- Dr. Nikhita Obeegadoo, Assistant Professor
- Mr. Samuel Roy-Bois, Associate Professor

Representatives of the Faculty of Education

- Dr. Robert Campbell, Associate Professor
- Mr. Rob Johnson, Associate Professor

Representatives of the Faculty of Health and Social Development

- Dr. Jacqueline Denison, Associate Professor of Teaching
- Dr. Manuela Reekie, Professor of Teaching

Representatives of the Faculty of Management

- Dr. Amir Ardestani-Jaafari, Assistant Professor
- Dr. Barb Marcolin, Associate Professor

Representatives of the Faculty of Science

- Dr. Karen Hodges, Professor
- Dr. Robert Lalonde, Associate Professor

Representatives of the Joint Faculties

- Dr. Peter Arthur, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Education
- Dr. Jan Cioe, Associate Professor, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- Ms. Tamara Ebl, Lecturer, Faculty of Management
- Dr. Jannik Eikenaar, Associate Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Applied Science
- Dr. Mike Evans, Professor and Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- Dr. Sandy Hilton, Associate Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Management
- Dr. Will Hughes, Professor, Faculty of Applied Science
- Dr. Daniel Keyes, Associate Professor, Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies
- Dr. Patricia Lasserre, Associate Professor, Faculty of Science
- Dr. Yves Lucet, Professor, Faculty of Science

- Dr. Stephen O'Leary, Professor, Faculty of Applied Science
- Dr. Julien Picault, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- Dr. Mark Rheault, Associate Professor, Faculty of Science
- Dr. Christine Schreyer, Associate Professor, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences
- Dr. Sally Willis-Stewart, Associate Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Health and Social Development
- Dr. Ray Taheri, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Applied Science

Representatives of the Convocation

- Abdulrahman Alnaar
- Negin Jalili

Representatives of the Students At-Large

- Princess Amuta
- Muskan Garg
- Saami Hafeez
- Ayanfe-Oluwa Idowu
- Joshua Taylor Milliken
- Ojus Sharma

Representatives of the Graduate Students

- Michael Sandler
- Amanda Shatzko

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Applied Science

- Anand Brar

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

- Aparajita Shinde

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies

- Bowen He

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Education

- Blair Visscher

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Health and Social Development

- Jonathan Low

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Management

- Raneem Zaitoun

Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Science

- *Vacancy*

OKANAGAN SENATE
MINUTES OF 18 MAY 2023

DRAFT

Attendance

Present: L. Cormack (Chair), R. Ng (Secretary), R. Sadiq, B. Traister, J. Eikenaar, S. McNeil, R. Campbell, A. Idowu, S. Tomášková, M. Tarrant, S. Hilton, P. Arthur, B. Lalonde, J. Picault, J. Cioe, P. Simpson, R. Frost, O. Sharma, A. Shinde, B. Marcolin, S. O’Leary, G. DiLabio, J. Olson, J. Jakobi, M. Legault, P. Barker, Y. Lucet, S. Stewart, S. Hafeez, P. Lasserre, S. Hutchinson, R. Johnson, A. Shatzko, M. Garg, A. Alnaar

Regrets: D. Buszard (Chair), P. Amuta, H. Berringer, T. Ebl, M. Evans, T. Forneris, K. Hodges, J. Holzman, R. Janke, M. Libben, J. Low, J. Milliken, M. Reeves, B. He, R. Zaitoun, M. Panah, M. Sandler, J. Hare, L. Markley, I. Parkins, B. Visscher

Clerk: A. Breen

Guests: R. Einarson, H. Manon, W. Hughes, S. Weyand, B. Annear, J. Cheng

Call to Order

The Vice-Chair, Dr Lesley Cormack, called the ninth regular meeting of the Senate for the 2022-2023 academic year to order at 3:32 pm.

Senate Membership

Nominating Committee – Student Members

The Registrar, Ms. Rella Ng, stated following a call for nominations, Saami Hafeez and Bowen He were acclaimed as elected to the Senate Nominating Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced.

Minutes of the Meeting of 27 April 2023

Jan Cioe	}	<i>That the Minutes of 27 April 2023 be adopted as presented.</i>
Peter Simpson		

Approved

Remarks from the Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor

Senator Cormack updated the Senate on a recent trip to Ottawa for UBC ‘Day on the Hill’ to meet with parliamentarians to showcase UBC research, with a focus on ‘resilient infrastructure.’

Senator Cormack met with Deputy Minister of Post-Secondary and Future Skills, Bobbi Plecas, who was recently on campus, and noted that they were surprised and pleased at the development of the UBC Okanagan campus over the years. The Minister was particularly impressed with the work being done to

support Truth and Reconciliation, particularly the Aboriginal Access Studies Program and the recently approved language fluency programs.

Both meetings went very well and encouraging for future conversations with the federal and provincial governments regarding support for UBC Okanagan.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor commented that Convocation ceremonies will be taking place in a few weeks and include the conferral of Honorary Degrees. She highlighted that Convocation is also an opportunity to celebrate the first graduating class of the Nsyilxcn Language Fluency degree.

Senator Cormack concluded her remarks by noting that the Board of Governors will be meeting at the Okanagan campus in June.

Senator DiLabio thanked Senator Cormack for the updates and asked if there is any follow-up from the Ottawa visit that she can share.

Senator Cormack responded that UBC Government Relations is in the process of collating information on the visit and that there will most certainly be follow-ups. For example, there was a recent meeting with PacifiCan, and there is follow-up to be done, as is the case for several Ministries. While there is focus on UBC Okanagan's research activities or those of other universities, both levels of government are concerned about issues such as student affordability. Senator Cormack stated that the visit was intended to emphasize research and its value and remind the government that research has real-world applications that will be of benefit. Another area of discussion and follow-up is support for graduate students, and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor stated that she is hopeful that the conversations will be fruitful.

Senator Hafeez asked which specific ministers and ministries the UBC delegation met with, and where follow-up would be effective.

Senator Cormack responded that key ministries that the delegation engaged with are Ministry of Emergency Preparedness, the Ministry of Infrastructure, and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change. UBC Okanagan representatives also had a meeting with PacifiCan, and someone from the Office of the Prime Minister. The Ministry of Emergency Preparedness is most likely to have follow-up.

Remarks from the Provost

Provost and Vice-President Academic, Dr Rehan Sadiq began his remarks by highlighting that June is National Indigenous History month. Pride week is also in June and all members of the UBC Okanagan community are encouraged to participate in Pride celebrations to be campus on June 7. The city of Kelowna's Pride week events were to be from June 2 to June 11. On June 21, the Turtle Island Festival will be hosted in Kelowna, and members of the UBCO community are also encouraged to participate.

Senator Sadiq stated that BC has recently announced a new funding initiative, the Stronger BC Future Skills Grant, which provides BC residents who are 19 years or older with up to \$3,500 per person for eligible short-term skills training and public post-secondary institutions. For the September launch, UBC has, as a system, provided 47 eligible options. Four options are from Okanagan campus micro credentials. More programs are to be added for the January time frame, including several more from UBCO. At this stage, most of the faculties are very interested to participate in this and there is a lot of success already in this round. There is a huge interest in micro credentials. Most universities are trying to position themselves on how they can bring different types of learning on campus.

Senator Sadiq stated that the ICI building has an expression of interest, and a deadline recently passed on May 15. The review panel has been oriented, and the review process has now commenced. In June, the Deans and external reviewers will be adjudicating it and will then make recommendations to the VPRI and Provost. This will be a very stringent, long process, but we are trying to ensure we are creating more transparency in the system.

Senator Sadiq stated that UBC Okanagan's third Indigenous Language Fluency (B.Stat.) degree was approved by the Ministry. This is in addition to the BNLF program and the B.Nłek program.

Senator Sadiq stated the UBC Okanagan Celebration for Teaching Excellence and Innovation was this week. It was a great opportunity to recognize our exceptional colleagues who received the Provost Award for Teaching Excellence and Innovation: Claire Yan, Fiona McDonald, and Peyman Yousefi. Peter Arthur was awarded the Killam Prize. The inaugural CTL Faculty fellows were also announced, and they will be working with the Centre for Teaching and Learning this coming year to continue to support our Teaching and Learning Committee. He thanked everyone who expressed interest in this new initiative.

Report from the Presidential Search Committee

Senator Legault stated that since the last report to the Senate, the Search Committee met once on May 5. The Committee is pleased to report that the search has generated strong interest in the position. The Committee has begun to review candidates, and continues to receive applications.

Senator Cormack thanked Senator Legault for serving on this Committee.

Expression of Thanks to 2020-2023 Members of Senate

As we come to end of the 2020-2023 Triennium, Senator Cormack expressed gratitude to all Senators, especially to those for whom this will be their last meeting. She thanked Senators for their service to Senate and to UBC. She specifically thanked the following outgoing Senators: Greg Garrard, Shirley Hutchinson, Stephen McNeil, Ilya Parkins, Ying Zhu, Jonathan Holzman, Loic Markley, Marianne Legault, Margaret Reeves, Sabre Cherkowski, Tanya Forneris, Jennifer Jakobi, and Mistaya Arthur.

Senator Cormack stated that in a few short weeks, the UBC Okanagan Convocation ceremonies will begin, and thanked the members of Senate who will be participating in the ceremonies. She extended her gratitude to all volunteers and staff who help make this occasion so successful, and offered her congratulations to graduands.

Candidates for Degrees

Senator Cormack called for the following motion:

Candidates for Degrees

Lesley Cormack
Robert Lalonde

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That the candidates for degrees and diplomas as recommended by the faculties be granted the degree or diplomas for which they were recommended, effective 18 May 2023, and that a committee comprised of the Registrar, the dean of the relevant

*Faculty, and the Chair of the Senate be empowered to make any necessary adjustments.
(2/3 majority required).*

Approved

Academic Building and Resources Committee

The Chair of the Academic Building and Resources Committee, Senator Arthur, presented.

ANNUAL REPORT

Senator Arthur briefly outlined the Committee's terms of reference, topics discussed by the Committee over the last year, and a list of units that have engaged with the Committee.

Academic Policy Committee

The Chair of the Academic Policy Committee, Senator Cioe, presented.

AMENDMENTS TO POLICY GA-6: NAMING POLICY

Jan Cioe	}	<i>That Senate approve amendments to the Naming Policy (GA6).</i>
Sandy Hilton		

Senator Cioe noted that Policy GA-6 is a joint policy between the Okanagan Senate, Vancouver Senate and the Board of Governors. There are a number of proposed amendments, and key changes are outlined on pages 22 and 23 of the Senate materials. Senator Cioe stated that the report has been reviewed and approved by the Academic Policy Committees of both the Okanagan and Vancouver Senates.

Approved

Admissions Committee

Senator Johnson presented on behalf of the Chair of the Admissions Committee, Senator Ebl.

NEW AWARD

Rob Johnson	}	<i>That the Senate approve the new award as listed, that it be forwarded to the Board of Governors for approval, and that a letter of thanks be sent to the donors.</i>
Jan Cioe		

Approved

AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS – INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT: UBC AND UNIVERSITY OF BORDEAUX

Rob Johnson
Sandy Hilton

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That the Senate approve the terms of affiliation between the University of British Columbia and the University of Bordeaux as set out in the “International Cooperation Agreement for Delivery of a Non-Credit Program for Level One of the Wine Tasting Ability Program in British Columbia, Canada.

Approved

AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS – TERMINATION OF BLOCK TRANSFER AGREEMENT: UBC AND OKANAGAN COLLEGE

Rob Johnson
Marie Tarrant

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That the Senate approve the termination of the terms of affiliation between the University of British Columbia and Okanagan College as set out in the attached “Block Transfer and Admission Agreement.”

Senator Lalonde stated that UBC Okanagan had a functional relationship with Okanagan College for a number of years and asked what issues have prompted the termination of the current agreement.

Dr Sadiq responded that UBC Okanagan has an excellent relationship with Okanagan College and that there is a new arrangement in place. There was an agreement that gave at Okanagan College students block transfer of credits to UBC Okanagan but under the new agreement, students will come directly to UBC Okanagan campus. The proposed termination is not a reflection on the relationship between the two institutions.

Senator Tarrant commented that the proposed change results from provincial government’s decision related to funding of other health programs and the intention to offer more technically based programs at Okanagan College, for which it is better suited to offer. Senator Tarrant noted that this was a reallocation of seats from Okanagan College back to UBC Okanagan so that Okanagan College can offer the programs they are more suited to offer.

Senator Cormack confirmed that the proposed changes are a reallocation of seats and intended to offer more robust programming at UBC Okanagan.

In response to a comment from Senator O’Leary, Senator Tarrant commented that under the current agreement, students at Okanagan College complete Years 1 and 2 at the College and then transfer to UBC Okanagan for the third year of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Senator Tarrant stated that the University has taken steps to respond to concerns regarding orientation to the UBC Okanagan campus and the tuition differential between Okanagan College and UBC Okanagan by way of several town hall meetings with students to address the tuition and orientation issues.

Dr Sadiq added that it should be recognize that UBC Okanagan delivers one of the largest and most reputable Nursing programs in the province and that the proposed changes have been

initiated by the Ministry (Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills) as well as Okanagan College, independent of UBC Okanagan.

Approved

AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS – BLOCK TRANSFER AGREEMENT: UBC AND OKANAGAN COLLEGE

Rob Johnson
Barb Marcolin

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That the Senate approve the new terms of affiliation between the University of British Columbia and Okanagan College as set out in the attached “Transfer and Admission Agreement.”

Approved

Senator Cioe noted that proposed changes to affiliation agreements will be forwarded to the Council of Senates for ratification following Senate approval.

Appeals on Standing and Discipline Committee

The Chair of the Appeals on Standing and Discipline Committee, Dr. Robert Campbell, presented.

ANNUAL REPORT

Senator Campbell noted that there is a level of confidentiality that has to be maintained, and the Committee’s report provides a high-level summary of its activities in the last year; there was one appeal for academic misconduct that was dismissed, and one appeal for non-academic misconduct that has been adjourned pending submission of further documents on the part of the appellant. There were no appeals pertaining to Policy SC-17 (Sexual Misconduct Policy). There was one academic standing appeal that was allowed, with a recommendation that the appellant be granted Aegrotat (AEG) standing.

Senator Campbell stated that the Committee noted the volume of materials has increased significantly, with some documents being upwards of 300-400 pages. The Committee has passed a motion to limit submissions to 75 pages, which will be brought forward to Senate for approval.

Senator Campbell noted that several times a year, appellants fail to appear for the hearing or give timely notice that they are unable to attend after Committee members have spent many hours preparing for the appeal hearing. The Committee will continue to discuss how best to address issues of late notice or non-attendance.

Curriculum Committee

Senator Hilton presented on behalf of the Chair of the Curriculum Committee, Senator Lucet.

CURRICULUM PROPOSALS

Sandy Hilton
James Olson

} *That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors for approval the new and revised programs, new subject code, new and revised courses, discontinued course, and discontinued program as presented by the Faculties of Applied Science, Arts and Social Sciences, Science, and Health and Social Development.*

Senator DiLabio stated that there are a number of issues with the Computer Engineering proposal before Senate. He noted that his concerns are not related to the curriculum but rather with the process by which the proposal has made its way to Senate for approval; the program budget fail to take into account the costs to all Faculties, not just the disciplinary Faculty of program delivery. Senator DiLabio noted that Faculty of Science is strongly impacted as half of the additional Computer Science courses that are integral to the program fall to the Faculty of Science to deliver.

Senator DiLabio commented that the major assumption that was made during the budgeting process is that Faculty of Science's Computer Science program can accommodate the additional teaching that will come with the new program by some mechanism such as increasing the number of seats in existing classes, etc. He noted that this assumption fails to consider the impacts to the quality of the student experience in those classes. Senator DiLabio stated that the Faculty and Department of Computer Science have been engaged in ongoing discussions to reduce the size of Computer Science classes so that the quality of instruction can be enhanced, and that the experience of instructors can be improved. Senator DiLabio noted that increasing the number of seats in Computer Science classes to accommodate the new Computer Engineering program is directly contrary to the Faculty's efforts to address these issues.

Senator DiLabio stated that one option to manage class size is to offer additional sections of Computer Science courses that are part of the Computer Engineering proposal. This option would have a different set of impacts such as impacts to scheduling, which will add to the administrative burden in the Computer Science, Math, Physics, and Statistics Department. This would also work against general efforts to reduce reliance on sessional lecturers and against improving the classroom experience for everyone. Senator DiLabio commented that the new program should not bind the Faculty of Science to supporting the teaching in the program in the absence of additional work on the operationalization of the program.

Noting concerns regarding the approval process for new programs, Senator DiLabio commented that curriculum development and the budget impact associated with new programs received approval from the Provost without consideration of the budgetary impacts on the Faculty of Science. This approach fails to consider the broader impacts of new programs, including impacts on other Faculties, space resources, student support needs, etc.

Senator DiLabio reiterated the importance of senators having a full understanding of the implications of approving a new program, noting the additional seats added for graduate programs in Data Science and Biotechnology, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and the proposed Computer Engineering program. In totality, the campus will need to accommodate approximately 400+ additional students. Senator DiLabio noted that this information is directed

specifically towards senators who serve on the committee approving enrolment targets. Given the current teaching space limitation and scheduling issues, approval of new programs without proper foresight will only exacerbate these challenges.

Senator Olson commented that the Faculty of Applied Science is very excited about the new program as it addresses both student and employer demand for trained engineers. It was noted that British Columbia graduates about half as many engineers per capita as Ontario and Quebec at the undergraduate level, about a third as many Masters students, and only a quarter as many doctoral students. Senator Olson noted that of all the engineering disciplines, Computer Engineering is the most in demand, and on the Vancouver campus, it is the highest in demand of the fourteen engineering programs UBC delivers.

Senator Olson stated that UBC has a long history of collaboration between Computer Science and Computer Engineering; both of them are partner programs. They support each other and provide the diversity of experience that students expect. Some students want to focus on software and theoretical aspects of Computer Science, while others want to focus on the integration of software and hardware, which is what is found in this proposal. At the request of Senator Olson, Senate recognized guests Will Hughes (Director, School of Engineering), Sabine Weyand (Associate Director for Undergraduate Studies, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering), and Julian Cheng (Professor, School of Engineering) so they may address any questions.

Dr. Hughes thanked Senator DiLabio for his comments and everyone who has engaged in the discussion. He noted that he took on the directorship of the School of Engineering only recently and that while he cannot comment on the process prior to his arrival, since his arrival the department has connected with Facilities, Enrolment Services, Scheduling Services, IT, Department of Computer Science, UBCO and UBCV Finance, and the Dean's Council to share plans and solicit feedback. Dr. Hughes noted that the feedback has been positive but that there is room for improvement.

Dr. Hughes stated that measures to address some of the concerns raised by Senator DiLabio include the elimination of 21 courses for sessional instructors as a way of increasing teaching quality and also free-up teaching space. Engineering has also started to identify and renegotiate physical space within the EME building to increase capacity and made significant financial decisions to mitigate any undue pressure on the Faculty of Science and the Department of Computer Science.

Senator Lalonde commented that there is a classroom space shortage and that the campus continues to take in more FTEs that it is actually funded for. There is a shortage of large classrooms and there are no new facilities expected to be entered in the inventory any time soon. He noted that while there is willingness to look into operationalizing the new program, perhaps the proposal could be tabled and reexamined in September thereby allowing more time to address the issues that have been raised in discussion.

Senator Sadiq responded that as the University grows, new programs will be added; these additions will have instructional space and resource implications and a more comprehensive overall strategy is needed. He noted that that students who are not accepted to Applied Science programs in Vancouver are not coming to UBC Okanagan but rather are leaving British Columbia. The new program is very important for the Province; UBC is not producing enough computer engineers, and the industry is constantly

expressing this need. Senator Sadiq stated that international students are an important demographic for UBC broadly and that the proposed Computer Engineering program is highly preferred.

Senator Lalonde reiterated that the concerns expressed are not related to timelines, quality or demand for the program, but whether the program can be delivered without negatively impacting other programs that are equally valuable given the current space limitations.

Senator Cormack clarified that Senate is approving the academic program, not timelines associated with program delivery.

Senator Lucet stated that engineering engaged Computer Science in its curriculum process; the curriculum is a compromise between the two units (Engineering and Computer Science). The main concern is about resources: using courses in Computer Science is going to increase the number of students, which is going to put pressure on classroom size and scheduling. Senator Lucet stated that the easiest solution suggested was to introduce new sections, which is an ongoing budgetary conversation with the Dean of Applied Science and Director of the School of Engineering. The new program is intended to start in September 2023; the first year of the program is primarily engineering so the pressure on Computer Science courses will be in Year 2 of the program, September 2024. This allows for more time to further consider space, scheduling and resource issues.

Senator Jakobi stated that Appendix 11 of the proposal makes reference to “budget impact” but there is no budget material attached to the docket. She asked if the docket is missing pages, or if this information is unavailable.

Dr. Weyand responded that this information went to the Curriculum Committee, but it is not in the docket.

Senator McNeil commented that there are particular budgetary implications for Faculties other than the one in which the program will be housed. He stated he would have liked to have seen a detailed explanation about what those are going to be and how they will be resolved.

Senator Hafeez commented that proposal indicates there will be changes to streamline Computer Science majors to make the first two years of Data Science, Math, and Physics majors the same. Senator Hafeez noted that the proposal also indicates that there are changes being made to the Statistics major as well and asked for confirmation that the first two years of Bachelor of Science in Statistics will also be streamlined. He noted that these changes are indicated to be effective for September 2023 and asked if this will impact students who are currently registered in the existing versions of the program.

Senator Lucet confirmed that students currently in those programs will have the option to follow either the current or revised curriculum. Incoming students will be required to follow the revised curriculum.

Senator Hafeez asked if there is any requirement for students in the existing program to complete it within a certain number of years.

Senator Lucet responded that time to completion is based on the year of registration, and added that units do their best to accommodate students when there are program changes and normally give students the option to continue with the existing or revised program. In the exceptional

circumstance this is not possible, and academic advisors will work with the student to find an appropriate alternative.

Senator Legault reiterated Senator McNeil's concerns, noting that Senate should review budgetary information prior to voting to determine the feasibility of implementing the new program.

Senator Cormack reminded senators that Senate does not have purview over budgetary matters and only reviews the program itself.

Senator Hilton noted Senator DiLabio's earlier concerns regarding the program approval process, and commented that he has been a member of the Senate Curriculum Committee for many years and that the Committee's focus is primarily on curriculum matters; members have subject matter or curricular expertise and budgetary and operational issues are not their primary concern. Senator Hilton acknowledged that Senator DiLabio's concerns should be addressed, though the resolution does not have to be reached at the meeting.

Senator Lucet reiterated that Senate does not vote on program budget and that its purview is only over the program and curriculum, adding that budget is supposed to be an agreement between the two Faculties. He noted that space and scheduling issues are operational and do need to be resolved by Senate and asked senators to focus on curriculum matters.

Senator Cioe commented that his understanding of the process is that the Committees make decisions about programs, and that the budget element goes through the Provost's Office to reconcile and see if things will actually work. He presumed that it is the responsibility of the Provost's Office to consider budgetary issues.

Senator Cioe reiterated Senator Lucet's comments, noting the separate consideration of curriculum and budgetary matters. He noted, however, the creation of new programs has implications for enrolment numbers, which are within the purview of the Senate. Senator Cioe asked if the 400+ seats that Senator DiLabio was alluding to are built into the enrolment figures reviewed by Senate, and if not, asked what the implications are in terms of percentage of funded versus unfunded full-time equivalent (FTE) seats.

The Provost responded that the budgetary review of the new program followed the standard process; the discussion regarding how this program will impact other programs was brought to Dean's table. There were many concerns regarding space issues. Senator Sadiq addressed the issue of 400 new seats, noting that the seats will be added incrementally over the next 5 to 6 years and will not occur right away. He commented that his office is working hard to lobby the government to support these seats and gave the example of the sustainability program which initially had no government support. Senator Sadiq noted that the program has been in discussion for six or seven years so should not come as a surprise.

Senator Olson reiterated that the Faculty of Applied Science is very excited about this program and that there is incredibly high demand from students, industry, the Province, and the campus. Noting the discussion of sufficient resourcing, he reminded senators that the number of courses within the School of Engineering has already been reduced by 21 in order to make way for scheduling of the additional courses. He noted that budget will follow as the program is expected to attract a high number of international students.

Senator Cormack reiterated that Senate is voting on the academic program, and not the budget.

Senator Lalonde suggested that the Computer Engineering proposal be considered separately from the remainder of the Curriculum report.

Robert Lalonde
Marianne Legault } *That Senate the main motion be divided to allow separate consideration of the proposed Computer Engineering program, the associated subject code and new courses (recommendations ai-aiii.*

Approved

Robert Lalonde
Marianne Legault } *That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors for approval items A1, A2, and A3 from the recommendations in the Curriculum Proposal.*

Senator Jakobi spoke in support of the program, and commented on the need to increase the number of women and underrepresented persons in Engineering and Computer Science. She asked what measures this particular program will take towards increasing and retaining the number of women in the program, as well as exceed the national standard.

Senator Olson responded that the question of gender diversity in engineering is a longstanding concern and there are a host of programs and initiatives that UBC has developed to attract women to the discipline. It was noted that the Faculty of Applied Science sponsors a \$4M program called *Gearing Up*, which reaches out to women and members of underrepresented groups. The program has a 50% female participation rate in K-12 school system and reaches out to over 30,000 students a year, including 2,700 Indigenous students. Senator Olson outlined a number of other initiatives that the Faculty has invested in towards increasing equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in the Engineering, noting that UBC is one of the leading universities nationally with 34% of first year engineering students as women.

Senator Lucet commented that the Department of Computer Science is well aware of the underrepresentation issues and is actively working to address them via recruitment of faculty from minority groups. Senator Lucet noted that some of the majors in Computer Science are being revamped with focus on EDI. Senator Lucet thanked Senator Jakobi for her question and stated he takes note of it as Chair of the Curriculum Committee to ask about such information for new curriculum proposals, as it is a very important topic.

Approved

Robert Lalonde
Marianne Legault } *That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of*

Governors for approval the remaining items from the recommendations in the Curriculum Proposal.

Senator Frost commented that while she was pleased to see a number of changes pertinent to the Department of History and Sociology, she was surprised to see that the changes expected for the first-year program were not there. Senator Frost raised concerns about the process, noting that coordination of changes has been a challenge as there are three Faculties involved in the proposed changes (Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies, and Faculty of Science). Senator Frost stated that the department will accommodate the proposed changes and hope that there will be more choices in the future for students in first-year options.

Senator Cormack asked Senator DiLabio if he could speak on the consultation process.

Senator DiLabio stated he has little knowledge on this topic, noting that his understanding is that the original proposal emerged from the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies. Senator DiLabio noted that decisions made by the Curriculum Committee need to be communicated widely and to everyone involved in the programming; the more of these types of programs that Faculties engage in together, the more important communication will be.

Senator Idowu referenced the proposed changes to the Bachelor of Science in Economics program; the rationale states that ECON 225 will be added and will serve as a pre-requisite for ECON 327. She asked how this proposed change will affect current economics majors, as the existing pre-requisites for ECON 327 are different from ECON 225. Senator Idowu asked for clarification on the potential impact on current or prospective economics majors.

Senator Picault clarified that there will not be much impact as students will be able to register for ECON 327 with either pre-requisite. The proposed change in pre-requisite will only affect incoming students.

Senator Idowu stated that the current pre-requisites for ECON 327 are ECON 101, ECON 102, MATH 100, and MATH 101 and asked if these pre-requisites will remain the same.

Senator Picault responded that ECON 101, ECON 102, MATH 100, and MATH 101 are pre-requisites to the new ECON 225. These will still be required in the program.

In response to a question from Senator Idowu regarding upcoming course registration dates, Senator Hilton confirmed that the changes will be reflected in the next release of the Calendar, students looking at the Calendar after May 30 would see these pre-requisites in effect if they are registering in June or July.

Senator Hafeez referenced docket page 202 in the revisions for the Data Science major, noting that the course for Numerical Analysis, COSC 303, has been removed and no rationale is provided for this deletion. He asked Senator Lucet for clarification on whether or not the course has been removed as an elective for the Data Science majors.

Responding to Senator Hafeez, Senator McNeil stated COSC 303 is equivalent to MATH 303, which is still a possible elective choice. He added that the two courses are possibly being streamlined as they are the same course.

Approved

Learning and Research Committee

The Chair of the Learning and Research Committee, Senator Stewart, presented.

CANDIDATES FOR EMERITUS STATUS

Sally Willis-Stewart	}	<i>That the attached list of individuals for emeritus status be approved and that, pursuant to section 9(2) of the University Act, all persons with the rank of Dean, Professor, and Associate Professor Emeritus be added to the Roll of Convocation.</i>
Jan Cioe		

In response to a question from Senator Legault, Senator Stewart confirmed that the effective date of emeritus status for Associate Professor Bernard Schulz-Cruz's Emeritus status of 1 July 2022 is correct.

Senator DiLabio recognized Professor Melanie Jones and Associate Professor Karen Perry for their service and valuable contributions to the Faculty of Science.

Approved

Senator Willis-Stewart stated that one of the other roles and responsibilities of the Teaching and Learning Committee to review candidates for Honorary Degrees and encouraged senators to consider submitting nominations. Nominations are normally due by September 30th.

Nominating Committee

The Chair of the Nominating Committee, Senator Eikenaar, presented.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF AN ASSOCIATE VICE-PRESIDENT, HEALTH

Jannik Eikenaar	}	<i>That Tanya Forneris and Jonathan Low be recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee for the Selection of an Associate Vice-President, Health.</i>
Sandy Hilton		

Approved

APPOINTMENT OF STUDENT SENATORS TO COMMITTEES OF SENATE AND COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL OF SENATES

That Bowen He and Anand Brar be appointed to the Senate Academic Building and Resources Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;

That Saami Hafeez, Ojus Sharma, and Michael Sandler be appointed to the Senate Academic Policy Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;

That Raneem Zaitoun and Ayanfe-Oluwa Idowu be appointed to the Senate Admissions & Awards Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;

That Amanda Shatzko and Jonathan Low be appointed to the Senate Agenda Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;

Jannik Eikenaar
Marianne Legault

} *That Maziar Matin Panah and Jonathan Low be appointed to the Senate Committee on Appeals of Standing and Discipline until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;*

That Joshua Milliken and Muskan Garg be appointed to the Senate Curriculum Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced;

That Amanda Shatzko, Aparjita Shinde, and Princess Amuta be appointed to the Senate Learning & Research Committee until 31 March 2024 and thereafter until replaced; and

That Bowen He and Ayanfe-Oluwa Idowu be elected to the Council of Senates.

Approved

CONFLICT OF INTEREST GUIDELINES – REVIEW AND REFERRAL TO THE COUNCIL OF SENATES

Jannik Eikenaar
Rob Johnson

} *That the Okanagan Senate refer the draft Conflict of Interest Guidelines for the Okanagan and Vancouver Senates to the Council of Senates for review pursuant to notice given at the March 30, 2023 meeting of Senate as required by s. 20(o) of the Rules and Procedures of the Okanagan Senate.*

Senator Cioe expressed his appreciation for greater clarity in the guidelines with respect to the issue of personal versus professional academic elements. He stated he does take issue with section 5.5a, which is “where a member has a conflict of interest in respect of an agenda item...”

on page 249. He stated that the section indicating that “the member shall abstain from any discussions or votes concerning such matters that may occur during a Senate or Senate Committee meeting” is problematic. Senator Cioe also shared his concerns regarding processes to address conflicts retroactively, and noted that he will raise these concerns with the Council of Senates.

Approved

Lesley Cormack
Barb Marcolin } *That the time to adjourn be extended by thirty minutes.*

Approved

TRIENNIAL REIVEW REPORT

Jannik Eikenaar
Sally Willis-Stewart } *That Senate approve the recommendations of the Triennial Review, as set out in the report.*

Senator Eikenaar outlined three recommendations for approval related to the Learning and Research Committee: to set quorum to five voting members, a revision to Committee membership and composition correct the title of an ex-officio member, and the addition of the Director of Continuing Education or designate as an ex-officio member of the Committee.

Approved

Senator Eikenaar stated that a discussion item is listed on docket page 256 with regard to Rule 38 of the *Rules and Procedures of Senate*, which specifies that senators can serve as chair of a standing committee for a maximum of six consecutive years. During the triennial review process, the Nominating Committee received feedback that the rule should be revised or rescinded. In its discussions, the Nominating Committee found conflicting perspectives on this, so has brought the matter forward for Senate input.

Senator Campbell stated that there has been one exemption to Rule 38, which permitted him to continue as chair of the Senate Committee on Appeals of Standing and Discipline. He noted that he was reluctant to resume the role of Chair of the Appeals Committee at the beginning of the triennium, but an exemption was made and he agreed to continue on as chair. Senator Campbell noted that while the intent of the rule may have been to enable more senators to take on a leadership role, it potentially reduces the pool of senators who are willing and able to take on a chair role. In some cases, there is a reluctance on the part of senators to take on the responsibility of committee chair, and rescinding Rule 38 may result in a larger pool of senator willing to serve in that capacity.

Senator Cioe noted potential conflict of interest and stated that Rule 38 prevents him from returning as Chair of the Academic Policy Committee in the new triennium as he has already served six consecutive chairs as committee chair. He expressed his concerns regarding this rule, noting that the Academic Policy Committee has been working on a number of issues that

remained unresolved, and he would like to maintain his position as Chair of the Committee to see these come to fruition.

Senator Cioe commented that his experience has been that it is difficult to convince senators to serve as chair or vice-chair. He noted that from his perspective, the Academic Policy Committee has done exceptional work, which he would like it to continue to support. Senator Cioe stated his preference that this rule be removed. Alternately, another member of the Committee could serve as Chair for a brief period of time and then resign, enabling Senator Cioe to be eligible to again be Committee chair.

Senator Hilton spoke in support of the rule, noting that it enables and supports diversity in governance. Senator Hilton stated that he strongly opposes any revision or rescension of the rule and reiterated that it does not prevent an individual from serving on committees they may have previously chaired. In response to the concerns raised by Senator Cioe, Senator Hilton commented that former chairs play an important role in guiding an incoming committee members and chairs and are critical to preserving institutional memory.

Senator Lucet noted his opposition to rescinding or amending Rule 38, noting that the intent of the rule is to limit service as chair to two terms or six consecutive years. The rule was implemented to ensure diversity in committee leadership and without a term limit, senators with less experience will be less inclined to serve as chair as there will likely be a more experienced member who is willing to continue on as chair. This will likely result in the same individuals returning as committee chair each triennium. Senator Lucet noted that the fact that there has only been one exception is an indication that Rule 38 is working well. With respect to succession planning, Senator Lucet noted that it is critical to have a committee vice-chair who is sufficiently experienced and trained to step in as chair when needed.

Senator Legault commented that she is largely in support of the rule to set term limits for committee chairs. As UBC is a learning and research institution, governance experience is a critical development opportunity for faculty and other constituents of Senate. Senator Legault stated serving as chair of a Senate committee was an incredible learning opportunity and it is important to ensure that such opportunities are available to incoming senators and are guided by former committee chairs and vice-chairs. Senator Legault noted that this approach also works towards addressing issues of inclusion and diversity, which are not currently adequately addressed.

Senator Jakobi seconded Senator Legault's comments, noting that studies indicate that women and underrepresented persons hesitate to step up into leadership roles unless there is a specific call for such individuals to serve in leadership roles. A term limit such as Rule 38 better enables such individuals to step into leadership positions. Senator Jakobi noted that only two of the current six Senate committee chairs are women. There are no underrepresented or visible minority in those positions though these demographics are represented in the membership of Senate. Senator Jakobi reiterated her support for a term limit as specified in Rule 38.

Senator Cioe commented that this is a rule that Senate seems to want to maintain, and he would like to withdraw his objection to it.

Senator Reeves echoed statements from Senator Legault, Senator Jakobi, and Senator Lucet, noting that in some ways, the rule is indicative of Senate's commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. Senator Reeves added that that the rule serves to encourage people to step up and supports diversity in Senate committee leadership.

Senator Hilton stated that he strongly supports the EDI approach; a six-year term limit at least requires some turnover and while that may not achieve EDI objectives, it allows for renewed committee leadership.

Senator Eikenaar stated that while some concerns raised during the triennial review were immediately transformed into recommendations, there were a number of other issues that the Committee wished to share with the Senate. One concern is resourcing for the Senate Office, which has also been raised in past triennial reviews.

Senator Eikenaar commented that lack of sufficient resourcing and staffing negatively impacts Senate Office staff, with staff often working evenings and weekends, and increasingly long hours. The stress level of staff has increased tremendously, the impact of which is not being recognized. Senator Eikenaar noted that while there is no clear recommendation or motion the Committee can make to address resource issues, but the hope is that senators will encourage University leadership to provide the requisite resources to support the work of the Senate Office and the Senate.

Senator DiLabio agreed with Senator Eikenaar regarding the lack of resources as a challenge and asked which unit at UBC is responsible for providing support to the Senate Secretariat.

Several Senators indicated that the Board of Governors has oversight of budgetary matters.

Senator Cormack stated that there has been active discussion about the organization of governance on both campuses with the Senate, and the Board of Governors.

The Registrar recognized that there are stretched resources within the Senate Office, noting the unit goes through the same budget process as any other central administrative unit.

Senator Johnson stated it is important to advocate for the Senate staff because as Senator Eikenaar has mentioned, people are burning out. He estimated that it must take a significant amount of time to train people to do this type of work properly. Senator Johnson noted that the Nominating Committee struggled to identify who members can approach regarding resourcing concerns. He noted that has been a problem for a long time and is apparently not getting any better.

Senator Lasserre echoed earlier comments, noting that she has been in administration for quite some time and has routinely observed the Senate Office extremely at the limit of what staff can do. Senator Lasserre commented that several colleagues who were excellent at their position have left their roles because of inability to continue at the same level of workload. Senator Lasserre offered her support for more resources.

Senator Legault commented that the issue of resourcing has been discussed extensively by the Nominating Committee and that now might be a good time to bring this topic to the Board of Governors as the Board Office is facing the same resourcing challenges. Senator Legault noted that she has observed the impacts of resourcing shortage on staff and is concerned for their wellbeing.

Senator Cormack stated that a review of resourcing issues would need to be in the full context of the budget.

Senator Cioe commented that at a recent joint meeting of Board of Governors and Senate committee chairs, Board members confirmed their support of Senate and that the Board has the capacity to provide additional funding to support the Senate Secretariat. Senator Cioe stated that the additional funding that is required in the terms of several people's salaries, which is very manageable and can be addressed very quickly in a crisis.

Ruth Frost

Barb Marcolin

} *That the time to adjourn be extended by thirty minutes.*

Approved

Reports from the Provost

TUITION ALLOCATION MODEL

The Provost asked that Senate recognize Associate Vice-President, Finance and Operations, Rob Einarson.

Mr. Einarson stated that the Tuition Allocation Model (TAM) is one component of Faculty funding, along with the provincial grant. Together, these two sources of funding form the amount that is allocated to Faculties. There is domestic tuition, international base tuition, and international incremental tuition. There is a 60:40 split of the tuition after the payment of fees related to processing credit card payments, and for allocation for student financial aid, which goes into the overall financial aid package to fund support for students. These amounts are fairly consistent across the board. Prior to 2015 and 2016, before the Excellence Fund came into existence and the large increase that came forward, the international base tuition was split 50:50 after the allocations previously spoken about. At that point in time, the Board approved an increase, and the University shifted from cost-based tuition to market-based tuition. Those increases all went into what is known as 'international incremental tuition.' Mr. Einarson stated that two-thirds of this amount was to go to the Excellence Fund, now named the Academic Fund in Vancouver and the Excellence Fund in the Okanagan. The remaining amounts were split 50:50 between the Administration and the Faculties based on student registration.

In response to a question from Senator Lalonde regarding the Excellence Fund, Mr. Einarson stated a third of it is earmarked for our capital projects, such as ICI, downtown campus, and projects to expand academic space on campus. Another large sum is dedicated to research startups for incoming Faculty members and continuing Faculty members. Funding has also been used for recruitment and hiring of BIPOC faculty and the internationalization of the campus.

Senator Cormack summarized that the simplest way to think of the Excellence Fund is that one-third of it is going towards capital projects, one-third towards research, including the Principal's Excellence Chair, the Aspire program, and startups, and the last one-third is directed towards Faculty initiatives and student support.

Dr Rehan Sadiq commented that the Excellence Fund provides a level playing field for the faculties because not all faculties have international students. This gives them access to resources as well.

Senator Cormack stated that she has been involved in complex conversations for years on how to have drivers to measure everything in budget allocations. The new Vice President of Finance and Operations is

starting a process to think holistically about the budget for both campuses, which will include looking at the TAM on both campuses.

Senator Lucet commented that when the budget model was proposed, it was said that the curriculum decided in Senate would compensate for that, which is not the right answer. He noted that if his department can bring in revenue doing something, of course it will do this. The system, at the very least, needs to avoid rewarding that attitude. Senator Lucet stated that the budget model needs to seriously think about all the side effects that it is creating. We cannot prevent courses from being created because the program needs them. This is not a good use of resources, and we are not using the expertise that we really want to shine. The budget model is really amplifying this. Senator Lucet stated that he hopes this will be taken seriously, as we need another mechanism for this. The budget needs to emphasize the University's priorities and strategic direction.

Senator Cormack responded that these points will be useful going forward in conversations on this matter.

Senator DiLabio thanked Mr. Einarson for the presentation and supported a review of the budget model as it does not work and promotes the types of behaviours described by Senator Lucet. This is because funding is tied to students and courses, a model that does not work. Senator DiLabio stated that the current budget model will put almost all of the faculties in a structural deficit within the next couple of years, which is a serious concern. Central services are also under a great deal of stress and the present centralized budget model does not support the operations of either. For example, we are now in the position of paying for what have traditionally been considered central services (like research finance support, and so on), out of Faculty budgets because there is no funding to pay for these critical services elsewhere. Senator DiLabio concluded his comments by noting that for the campus to survive, there needs to be a serious and collective conversation regarding the budget model and identify potential solutions.

Senator Cormack thanked Mr. Einarson and his team for the presentation.

COURSE SCHEDULING REPORT 2023

The Provost asked that Senate recognize Deputy Registrar, Burt Annear, and invited Mr. Annear to present the course scheduling report.

Mr. Annear stated that the report before Senate includes information from faculty about their primary concerns, data regarding the current scheduling process, information on classroom designations and utilization, and information on future plans.

As outlined in the report, 75% of faculty members have three teaching days per week, and there are many professors who set their teaching load in one term or the other. They give themselves clear time in one term for research, which is not a scheduling issue, but a workload planning issue. Mr. Annear highlighted slide 7 which shows teaching days by Faculty by term. On slide 9, student length of day is shown. Generally, the average for students is 5 hours per day, with some programs being longer, such as Science and Applied Science.

Bert Annear stated that slide 11 outlines room availability, which shows the rooms we have been using on campus the past few years. This chart shows general use, classroom use for program areas such as labs, and studio-restricted spaces. Slide 12 shows how many rooms will be coming into use in a general sense from the ICI building; there is some growth, but limited in the area we need space. Slide 13 shows us where the demand is; we have a number of room sizes where we are using 100%. Some room types we

only have one of. Normally in educational institutions you are looking to have around a 75-80% room utilization rate, but we have a 91-93% utilization rate. This means we are in a situation where it is challenging to move things around within the schedule.

Mr. Annear presented slide 14 detailing future plans and noted that a concession/exemption committee will be established shortly to look at exceptional circumstances when there are changes needed within the schedule. This committee will then decide whether that change will be applicable, taking into consideration all of the different things that are already in the scheduling process. There was also a request for improved training for program coordinators, which is being developed. Mr. Annear stated that it would be beneficial to share more information with the University community so there is a better understanding of scheduling restraints and issues and the impact of potential changes. The hope is to move to a more proactive process where Scheduling Services will consult programs and attempt to determine what can be done to address requests for changes early in the process as opposed to when the schedule is ready to go live.

Senator Frost noted that program coordinators have a fairly good understanding of their program and how the program works. In terms of program coordinator training, it is her understanding this typically means how to work within the confines of the WDC program, which is a slightly different thing. Program coordinators have a good idea of what to do to keep their programs conflict free and how to work with the scheduling program. With respect to timing, in the Department of History and Sociology, a number of courses have gone through Senate in both March and April. New courses that go through Senate must be added to the course scheduling program before Enrolment Services staff can add them to the system. A department may know in January that it intends to offer a particular course, but if it has not had Senate approval, it cannot be entered into the scheduling system. There is at this moment, no placeholder, which is problematic.

Senator Frost also addressed the question that originally came before Senate, which was of four days a week of teaching. The original motion was for research faculty, for pre-tenure and tenured faculty who are predominantly in research. In the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences [economics, philosophy, political science, history, and sociology] of the 35 faculty members who next year have a tiered course with two terms, 51% are teaching four days a week for at least one term. There are 18 professors teaching both terms at four days a week. Of those, quite a number are pre-tenured, so 50% of the pre-tenured group in those departments are teaching at least one term of four days a week. For lecturers and sessionals, if you lump the people up who are either teaching one in three, or one in one, or zero in one, or three in three if they are lecturers, we have 52 people in those departments, and the combined number of four days a week classes equals 36.5%. This is much higher than the figure in the presentation. Senator Frost stated that teasing out some of this information is crucial, because while there are many difficulties and challenges in scheduling, there is still a concern about colleagues who are teaching four days a week, as one example.

Senator Lasserre commented that often there is a side effect when classrooms of a certain size are not available and 100% of small classrooms are filled and asked if there has been any analysis of the impact. She also stated that there are situations where for designated programs, it is necessary to have one classroom, such as Master of Data Science. This is very difficult considering the number of classrooms that are available. Senator Lasserre stated that her department had considered renting a space off-campus to run the program to alleviate this issue, but apparently this is not an option and has been dismissed as a possibility. Senator Lasserre asked why this was not considered a reasonable option.

Senator Cioe stated he has not received a good explanation as to why the department heads cannot move people around within their particular department. For example, the History Department could move its faculty around in order to alleviate some of the issues. That was a practice that used to work reasonably well, and allows for accommodation of circumstances that are associated with a variety of issues, such as child care, family commitments, etc.

Senator Tomášková agreed that education plans need to be started much earlier, possibly in the Fall, rather than January and noted that on docket page 282, the representation numbers seem unrecognizable and seem to suggest that the vast majority of faculty and staff teach two or three days a week, which is simply not accurate. She questioned the veracity of these facts in the docket.

Mr. Annear agreed that there is a need to look deeper into the data and have it in relationship to the status of the professoriate, whether they are tenure or not, and what is going on within the program areas. This is something he is looking into, but unfortunately, the resources to provide a fulsome list of that type of breakdown were not available. This is something that is being examined and collection of information regarding rank and how that relates to teaching and load. This information will be shared with programs.

Mr. Annear stated that more and more programs are asking for dedicated classrooms. Dedicated spaces will result in more classes being delivered evenings and weekends. There is no other option within our structure to be able to do something different.

In response to Senator Lasserre's comment, Mr. Annear stated that the tendency is to fill the larger classrooms with classes that are of a size that will not fit into the room that they have. We find that we cannot put a class into a specific room because it is already full, so they are moved to a larger sized classroom. In effect, we push further out into the system, so we have less and less potential use of those rooms. There has been some analysis of the impacts but more work is needed.

Senator Lasserre clarified that her question was more about the possibility of renting outside of campus to actually minimize the impact of designated room on campus.

Mr. Annear responded that this idea has had some preliminary discussion. The campus has partnerships with some places off campus that have space, but there are cost considerations. There has also been consideration of renovating some of the spaces that we do already own, and currently the cost for those renovations exceeded the possible budgets in those areas. There is further discussion needed on this.

Senator Sadiq shared that the downtown campus will support professional programs once it is completed. This has a broad consensus amongst the Deans, and is not an immediate solution, but a longer term one. He stated he has also started a discussion regarding the possibility of new student housing to include some sort of classroom space. This is a different type of exploration, as it is funded by a different mechanism. The Provost stated that with ICI and the downtown campus, they will be backfilling of space that becomes vacant. All of these various strategies will alleviate some pressure and are longer term solutions.

Senator McNeil commented that the first three concerns given by faculty on the presentation are time for child care, 8 am classes, and evening classes. These are all largely the same thing; the reason that faculty with child care responsibilities cannot teach at 8 am is because schools do not open until 8:30 am. The same faculty also cannot teach until 6 pm because daycare closes at 5:30 pm. Senator McNeil stated that classes will have to run early and late, but departments can choose which faculty members are assigned to the courses that are offered early or late in the day. The concern has been raised in the past and the response has been that there is no requirement to accommodate faculty with family obligations as being a parent is not a protected class under the BC Human Rights Code. Senator McNeil commented that there must processes in place to assign

teaching loads and teaching times to junior, to pre-tenured, and to women faculty that make sure they can meet childcare responsibilities.

The Registrar acknowledged Senator McNeil's comments and stated that as Mr. Annear has noted there will be a committee established to consider scheduling exemptions. There will be guidelines, terms of reference, and consultation concerning how some of these roles will be adjusted. Ms. Ng added that the Committee will be working with the appropriate people, including the Provost, and Senator Eikenaar for an EDI lens. Human resources will also be included in these conversations to ensure all concerns are heard. This work will be done over the summer months.

Senator Cormack called for the following motion:

Amanda Shatzko	}	<i>That the time to adjourn be extended by fifteen minutes.</i>
Julien Picault		

Approved

Senator Tomášková commented that gender parity is an important issue, but that in her Faculty there are a number of fathers who are responsible for childcare and cannot teach early morning classes. She noted that her department has hired a number of junior faculty members who are fathers, and have the same demand on child care.

Senator Cormack thanked Mr. Annear for his presentation, and senators for their contributions to the discussion.

Senator Sadiq also thanked Mr. Annear and his team for their hard work. He stated that we try to address all needs and be as equitable as possible.

Report from the Registrar

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

The Registrar notified senators that 2023-2024 academic dates have been updated in light of the statutory holiday for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The number of term teaching days have been updated and there will a formal announcement that the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation will be observed on 2 October 2023.

2023-2026 TRIENNIAL ELECTION RESULTS

The Registrar noted that there is currently a third call for nominations to fill the remaining faculty vacancies on Senate for the 2023-2026 triennium.

Ms. Ng thanked Amandeep Breen for stepping into the Senate Clerk role for the last six months, and Senate Office staff for their work.

Senator Cormack thanked Ms. Ng for her report.

Adjournment

Senator Willis-Stewart commented that the chairs of Okanagan and Vancouver Senate committees met with their Board of Governor counterparts in Vancouver last week. She stated that it was an incredible opportunity and a privilege to attend a discussion on university governance facilitated by Dr Deborah Buszard and Dr Martha Piper. Their message was very inspiring and highlighted that UBC is an incredible institution and there are many opportunities for collaboration amongst governance bodies to make it even better. Senator Stewart stated that it is great to be able to work with Senate and hear inspiration from those two phenomenal leaders.

Senator Cormack stated that this is the final meeting of the Triennium and thanked all the Senators for attending and for striving to make UBCO better. She stated she looks forward to seeing some of the Senators next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.



19 September 2023

To: Okanagan Senate

From: Admissions and Awards Committee

Re: a) New and Revised Awards (approval)
b) New and Revised Graduate Awards (approval)

- a) The Committee has reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the attached list of new and revised awards.

Motion: That the Senate approve the new and revised awards as listed, that they be forwarded to the Board of Governors for approval, and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

- b) The Committee reviewed and recommends to Senate for approval the attached list of new and revised graduate awards.

Motion: That the Senate approve the new and revised awards for graduate students in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, the Faculty of Health and Social Development, and the College of Graduate Studies, as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara Ebl, Chair
Senate Admissions and Awards Committee



Date: September 11, 2023

From: Paul Greenhough, Development and Alumni Engagement, Okanagan Campus

To: Okanagan Senate Admissions and Awards Committee

Re: Awards recommended for approval of the Okanagan Senate Admissions and Awards Committee

New Awards:

Mary Jane and Terry Flannigan Bursary in Education

Bursaries totalling \$2,000 have been made available through an endowment established by Mary Jane and Terry Flannigan, along with matching funds from the University of British Columbia, for students in the Okanagan School of Education at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Students will be academically qualified and be pursuing the Teaching Children (Kindergarten to Grade 5+) pathway. The bursaries will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services (First award available for the 2024/2025 winter session).

Dave McAnerney Memorial Award in Management

Awards totalling \$4,000 have been made available through an endowment established by the Stober Foundation in memory of Dave McAnerney (1963-2022), along with matching funds from the University of British Columbia, for third- or fourth-year undergraduate students in the Faculty of Management at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Awards will be given to students who show outstanding academic achievement, demonstrated volunteer or community leadership in Kelowna, and who have financial need. Dave McAnerney was the CEO of Stober Group in Kelowna BC. He trained as Engineer and enjoyed a long career in senior executive management in the beverage and construction industries. This award is established by the Stober Foundation in honour of Dave's exceptional leadership in business, his deep commitment to his family, colleagues, and community, and his natural gifts as a mentor and role model throughout his career. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Management. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Giuseppe (Joe) and Maria Bianca Iafrancesco Graduate Award in Science

Awards totalling \$5,000 have been made available through an endowment established by Maria Bianca Iafrancesco in memory of her husband, Giuseppe (Joe) Iafrancesco (1947-2018), along with matching funds from the Faculty of Science, for graduate students in the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology program in the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Science at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism in their communities, financial need, and show great promise in the field of medical or health research. Bianca and her late husband, Joe have been part of the Kelowna community since 1957 and 1964 respectively after immigrating to Canada from Italy at a young age with their families. Joe volunteered his time with many local, provincial and federal non-profit community organizations and was well-known in Kelowna for his dedication to community. Bianca and Joe have always been strong believers in the value of education and community volunteering. The awards are established to celebrate academic excellence and to help alleviate the financial burden associated with studying at university. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Science. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Grant Thornton LLP Award in Accounting

A \$2,000 award has been made available annually through a gift from Grant Thornton LLP for a third-year student in the Bachelor of Management program in the Faculty of Management at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Preference will be given to students pursuing a career in chartered professional accounting who have excelled in accounting courses and have demonstrated a strong involvement in professional and extracurricular activities. Equal consideration is to be given to academic and non-academic criteria. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Management. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Crowe MacKay LLP Achievement Award in Accounting

A \$2,500 award is offered by Crowe MacKay LLP Kelowna to a student in the Bachelor of Management Program in the Faculty of Management at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Consideration will be given to students pursuing a career in chartered professional accounting who have excelled in accounting courses and have demonstrated a strong involvement in professional and extracurricular activities. Equal consideration is to be given to academic and non-academic criteria. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Management. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Crowe MacKay LLP Leadership Award in Accounting

A \$2,500 award is offered by Crowe MacKay LLP Kelowna to a student in the Bachelor of Management Program in the Faculty of Management at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. In addition to demonstrating a high level of academic achievement, candidates must also exemplify leadership by engaging in campus life and serving as a role model for their peers. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Management to a student pursuing a career in chartered professional accounting. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Pushor Mitchell LLP Award in Indigenous Language Fluency

Awards totalling \$7,500 have been made available annually through a gift from Pushor Mitchell LLP, along with matching funds from the University of British Columbia, to third- or fourth-year undergraduate students enrolled in an Indigenous Language Fluency degree program in the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Preference is given to students with financial need. Pushor Mitchell LLP's gift is a commemoration of their 50th anniversary as a law firm and their longstanding relationship with UBC Okanagan. The award is established to enhance the capacity of the university's Indigenous Language Fluency program. The awards will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services in consultation with Indigenous Programs and Services. (First award available 2023/24 winter session).

Revised Award (previously approved award with changes in terms or funding source):

Existing description (2021)

Award Title: ~~Farris, Vaughan, Wills and Murphy LLP~~ **Petraroia Langford LLP Award in Legal Studies**

Current description:

A \$1,400 award is offered by ~~Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LLP~~ **Petraroia Langford LLP** to a student graduating from the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty to a student who shows great promise in the field of law.

Amended description: **Petraroia Langford LLP Award in Legal Studies**

A \$1,400 award is offered by Petraroia Langford LLP to a student graduating from the Irving K. Barber Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty to a student who shows great promise in the field of law.

Rationale: The Award was originally endowed (2011) in part by Dominic Petraroia and Ross Langford, it was agreed between the partners of Petraroia Langford LLP and Farris LLP that upon our separation (as of July 31, 2022) Farris LLP's interest in the Award would be transferred to Petraroia Langford LLP. The donors requested to re-designate the Award as the "Petraroia Langford LLP Award in Legal Studies".

Existing description (2019)

Award Title: **Mission Group Build it Forward Athletic Award**

Current description:

Awards totalling A \$2,000 ~~award has~~ **have** been made available annually through a gift from Mission Group to varsity athletes enrolled at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. ~~This award recognizes a student who has~~ **These awards recognize students who have** demonstrated athletic excellence and leadership in the community. ~~The award is~~ **Awards will be made** on the recommendation of the Department of Athletics and Recreation.

Amended description:

Awards totalling \$2,000 have been made available annually through a gift from Mission Group to varsity athletes enrolled at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. These awards recognize students who have demonstrated athletic excellence and leadership in the community. Awards will be made on the recommendation of the Department of Athletics and Recreation.

Rationale: To allow for more than one award to be offered.

Existing description (2022)

Award Title: **Student Union of UBC Okanagan Service Award for Outstanding Campus Community Engagement**

Current description:

~~A Service awards totalling \$4,600 service award has~~ **have** been endowed by the UBC Students' Union Okanagan for students enrolled at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. This award recognizes one or more students in undergraduate or graduate programs who have demonstrated commendable efforts to enhance on and off-campus engagement and well-being. **The awards will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services.**

Amended description:

Service awards totalling \$4,600 have been endowed by the UBC Students' Union Okanagan for students enrolled at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. This award recognizes one or more students in undergraduate or graduate programs who have demonstrated commendable efforts to enhance on and off-campus engagement and well-being. The awards will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services.

Rationale: To allow for more than one award to be offered.

**FASS IGS Graduate Field Research Award**

The FASS IGS Graduate Field Research Award is a competitive award for MA or PhD students who undertake field research *in a location outside of the Okanagan Valley* during one of the winter academic terms. The Award provides funding for graduate students undertaking fieldwork when the requisite timing of their thesis-related field research prevents them from holding Teaching Assistant positions normally offered by UBCO. Note: A student cannot hold a TAship for an online course while holding this award. The value of the award is \$6500.

M.S.N Partial Tuition Award

The Faculty of Health and Social Development International M.S.N. Partial Tuition (IMNPT) Award, is available to incoming MSN students whose citizenship and correspondence address at the time of application is located in one of the world's low income or lower-middle income countries as declared by the World Bank (List of countries by income group). The Award pays the tuition differential between international and domestic tuition for eligible students. The award provides funding for up to a total of 24 months per awardee.

Graduate Dean's Student Leadership Award

The Graduate Dean's Student Leadership Award is awarded to graduate students who have made outstanding contributions to the graduate student experience at UBCO. All UBCO continuing graduate students are eligible for this award. The College of Graduate Studies will adjudicate and administer the award each year. The value of the award is \$500.



Graduate Scholarship Name Revisions

Workday cannot accept awards that share the same award name. Workday has conditional logic that prevents a duplicate award from being created if the award shares the same name. Below are 13 revised awards.

1. Current: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Master's Award

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking health research. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

Proposed: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Master's Award **Okanagan**

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking health research. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

2. Current: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Doctoral Award

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking health research. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Doctoral Award **Okanagan**

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking health research. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

3. Current: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Vanier Scholarship

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research into health research. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Vanier Scholarship **Okanagan**



The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research into health research. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

4. Current: International Doctoral Fellowship

The International Doctoral Fellowship (IDF) supports top international students who are beginning their UBCO doctoral programs. The fellowship provides funding for a total of up to four years: a \$25,000 stipend/year plus tuition for a maximum of four years from the College of Graduate Studies. The supervisor, department, or Faculty of each recipient may also wish to provide additional funds (top-ups) consisting of awards, teaching assistantships, and/or research assistantships in any or all of the four years of the Fellowship.

Proposed: International Doctoral Fellowship **Okanagan**

The International Doctoral Fellowship (IDF) supports top international students who are beginning their UBCO doctoral programs. The fellowship provides funding for a total of up to four years: a \$25,000 stipend/year plus tuition for a maximum of four years from the College of Graduate Studies. The supervisor, department, or Faculty of each recipient may also wish to provide additional funds (top-ups) consisting of awards, teaching assistantships, and/or research assistantships in any or all of the four years of the Fellowship.

5. Current: NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship Master's Award

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

Proposed: NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship Master's Award **Okanagan**

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

6. Current: NSERC Doctoral Award

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

**Proposed:** NSERC Doctoral Award **Okanagan**

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

7. Current: NSERC Vanier Scholarship

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: NSERC Vanier Scholarship **Okanagan**

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in natural sciences and engineering. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

8. Current: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship Master's Award

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

Proposed: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship Master's Award **Okanagan**

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support Master's students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. The awards are made on the recommendation of the College of Graduate Studies.

9. Current: SSHRC Doctoral Award

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

**Proposed:** SSHRC Doctoral Award **Okanagan**

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

10. Current: SSHRC Vanier Scholarship

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: SSHRC Vanier Scholarship **Okanagan**

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers funding to support doctoral students undertaking research in social sciences and humanities. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

11. Current: CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award **Okanagan**

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.



12. Current: NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award **Okanagan**

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

13. Current: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.

Proposed: SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Award **Okanagan**

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) offers awards of up to \$6,000 to Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are recipients of Master's-level or doctoral-level SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarships (including Vanier Scholarships) and who undertake research studies at an eligible university or research institution outside Canada for a minimum of three months. Recipients are selected by the funding agency.



To: Senate
From: Nominating Committee
Re: Senate and Council of Senates Committee Appointments
Date: 25 September 2023

The Senate Nominating Committee has met to consider the appointments of members of Senate to committees of the Senate and of the Council of Senates. In making its recommendations, the Committee considered the preferences of senators and the demographic balance of committees, and attempted to recommend committees with a balance of both returning and new senators so as to encourage both continuity and rejuvenation. In all but two instances, all senators have been given their first committee preference, and if not, they were given their second. In two instances, senators have been given two assignments (both on the appeals committee).

The Nominating Committee is aware that schedules, preferences and plans may change over time and thus is open to reconsidering appointments over the course of the triennium.

That Jacqueline Denison, Robert Lalonde, Patricia Lasserre, Jan Cioe, Michael Evans, and Jannik Eikenaar be appointed to the Senate Academic Policy Committee until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced;

That Karen Hodges, Rob Johnson, Maya Libben, Ray Taheri, and Negin Jalili be appointed to the Senate Admissions and Awards Committee until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced;

That Tamara Ebl, Robert Campbell, Mark Rheault, Ruth Frost, Yves Lucet, and Abdulrahman Alnaar be appointed to the Senate Committee on Appeals of Standing & Discipline until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced;

That Sandy Hilton, Manuela Reekie, Peyman Yousefi, Yves Lucet, and Silvia Tomášková be appointed to the Senate Curriculum Committee until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced;

That Robert Janke, Sally Stewart, Julian Picault, Peter Simpson, and Gino DiLabio be appointed to the Senate Learning & Research Committee until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced;

That Daniel Keyes and Marie Tarrant be appointed to the Council Elections Committee until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced; and

That Nikhita Obeegadoo, Barb Marcolin, Stephen O'Leary, Samuel Roy-Bois, Peter Arthur, Ruth Frost, and Julian Cheng be appointed to the Council Budget



Committee (and thus the Okanagan Senate Academic Buildings and Resources Committee) until 31 August 2026 and thereafter until replaced.



28 September 2023

To: Okanagan Senate

From: Rella Ng, Registrar

Re: 2023-2026 Triennial Election Results

Set out below is the fifth and final set of election results for the 2023-2026 triennium.

Faculty-Specific Representatives to Senate

Further to the third call for nominations for faculty members of the Okanagan Campus to fill the remaining positions for representatives of each of the Faculties on the Okanagan Campus on the Okanagan Senate issued on 4 April 2023, three (3) valid nominations were received for the two (2) Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences representative positions, and two (2) valid nominations were received for the one (1) remaining Faculty of Health and Social Development representative position. Elections were held 8-19 May 2023. Pursuant to Section 16 of the *University Act*, the following faculty members are elected as representatives of the Faculties on the Okanagan Senate for terms beginning on 1 September 2023 and ending 31 August 2026 and thereafter until successors are elected:

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

- **Ruth Frost, Associate Professor**
- **Maya Libben, Associate Professor**

Faculty of Health and Social Development

- **Manuela Reekie, Professor of Teaching**

Further to the fourth call for nominations for faculty members of the Okanagan Campus to fill the remaining positions for representatives of each of the Faculties on the Okanagan Campus on the Okanagan Senate issued on 4 May 2023, two (2) valid nominations were received. Therefore, pursuant to Section 15 of the *University Act*, the following faculty members are acclaimed as elected as representatives of the Faculties on the Okanagan Campus on the Okanagan Senate for terms beginning on 1 September 2023 and ending 31 August 2026 and thereafter until successors are elected:

Faculty of Applied Science

- **Julian Cheng, Professor**

Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies

- **Samuel Roy-Bois, Associate Professor**