

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Committee Name: Nominations Committee, University Council

Date: June 11, 2026

Presented by: Reza Fotouhi, Chair, Nominations Committee

Subject: Omnibus Council Committee Vacancies

MOTION

It is recommended by the Nominations Committee that Council approve the nominees for the council committees as outlined below.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

The Nominations Committee is tasked with putting forward nominations for Council's approval to fill vacancies that arise throughout the year on Council committees and for vacancies in the position of chair on Council committees. The terms of reference (as articulated in the *Council Bylaws*) for these committees set forth various requirements for membership, such as having a certain number of Council members on a committee.

The Nominations Committee has reviewed the membership of Council committees and is submitting a list of nominees to Council for approval to fill the various vacancies.

Through the Governance Office, the Nomination Committee issued a call-for-interest to the General Academic Assembly, inviting volunteers to serve on these committees. Volunteers are considered first in determining the list of nominees. The Nominations Committee attempts to include individuals who are broadly representative of disciplines across the university, and prioritizes equity, diversity, and inclusion in representation. This prioritization is in line with the terms of reference for the Nominations Committee as set out in the *Council Bylaws*.

ATTACHMENTS

List of Council Committees and Nominees (with new nominees highlighted in yellow)

2026-2027 LIST OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND NOMINEES

Academic Programs Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least five of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

Carolyn Augusta	Edwards School of Business	
Roy Dobson	Pharmacy and Nutrition	
Kevin Flynn	Arts and Science	2026-2029
Janet Luimes	Nursing	
Paul Jones	SENS	

General Academic Assembly Members

Mary Ellen Labrecque	Nursing	2026-2029
Jennifer Lang	Arts and Science	
Yannick Tremblay	Medicine	
Regina Taylor-Gjevre	Medicine	
Lori McKee	Education	
Valerie Caron	School of Rehabilitation Sciences	

Ex Officio and Other Members

	USSU representative	
	GSA representative	
TBD	Sessional Lecturer	
Marjorie Delbaere	Acting Vice-Provost, Students and Learning	
Salome Ries	Acting Associate Vice-Provost and University Registrar	

Governance Committee

Three elected members of Council, one of whom will be chair. Council chair, PPC chair, APC chair, President's designate.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

Rachel Sarjeant-Jenkins

Janet Luimes

Paul Jones

Library

Nursing

SENS

2026 - 2029

General Academic Assembly Members

None.

Ex Officio and Other Members

Ralph Deters

TBD

TBD

Dani Brittain

Chair, University Council

Chair, APC

Chair, PPC

President's designate

Planning and Priorities Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least six of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair. One sessional lecturer. One dean appointed by Council.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

Rainer Dick	Arts and Science	
Carla Orosz	Arts and Science	2026 - 2029
Kevin Flynn	Arts and Science	2026 - 2029
Christian Willenborg	Agriculture and Bioresources	2026 - 2029
Angela Lieverse	Arts and Science	
Jaswant Singh	CGPS/WCVM	

General Academic Assembly Members

Volker Gerdts	VIDO/WCVM
Stella Spriet	Arts and Science
Venkatesh Meda	Engineering
Kerry Mansell	Pharmacy and Nutrition
David Williams	Edwards School of Business

Ex Officio and Other Members

	USSU representative
	GSA representative
TBD	Sessional Lecturer
Brooke Milne	Dean appointed by Council
Patti McDougall	Provost and Vice-President, Academic (or designate)
Terry Fonstad	Designate for Vice-President, Research
Amaranta Sokół	Interim Vice-Provost, Indigenous Engagement
Greg Fowler	Vice-President, Administration (or designate)
Deidre Henne	Chief Financial Officer

Research, Scholarly, and Artistic Work Committee

Nine members of the General Academic Assembly, at least three of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

VACANT

Kevin Read

Keith Walker

Michael Wu

University Library

Education

WCVM

2026 - 2029

2026 - 2029

General Academic Assembly Members

Lingling Jin

Mariam Komeili

Dean McNeill

Janet Okoko

Stephan Milosavljevic

Arts and Science

Medicine

Arts and Science

Education

Medicine

2026 - 2029

Ex Officio and Other Members

Baljit Singh

Debby Burshtyn

Karim Tharani

USSU representative

GSA representative

Vice-President, Research

Dean, College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

Designate for Dean, University Library

Scholarships and Awards Committee

Nine members of the General Academic Assembly, at least three of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

VACANT

Carla Orosz

Jason Perepelkin

Veronika Makarova

Arts and Science

Pharmacy and Nutrition

Arts and Science

2026 - 2029

General Academic Assembly Members

Sarah Burningham

Carmen Gillies

FangXiang Wu

Michelle Gagnon

Kerry Mansell

Law

Education

Engineering

Arts and Science

Pharmacy and Nutrition

2026 - 2029

2026 - 2029

Ex Officio and Other Members

Trenna Vanghel

Marjorie Delbaere

Pirita Mattola

Leah Johnson

USSU representative

GSA representative

Representative from Office of the Vice Provost Indigenous Engagement

Designate for Provost and Vice-President Academic

Designate for Vice-Provost, Students and Learning

Designate for Dean, College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

Teaching, Learning and Academic Resources Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least five of whom will be members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair. One sessional lecturer.

Voting members of the committee:

Council Members

Ella Ophir	Arts and Science	2026 – 2029
Paul Jones	SENS	2026 – 2029
Marguerite Koole	Education	
Kate Congreves	Agriculture and Bioresources	
Natasha Hubbard Murdoch	Nursing	

General Academic Assembly Members

Greg Malin	Medicine	2026 – 2029
Gurpreet Kaur Aulakh	WCVM	
Melanie Hamilton	Education	
Maha Kumaran	Library	
Rebekah Bennetch	Engineering	2025 - 2026
Ken MacKenzie	Arts and Science	

Ex Officio and Other Members

	USSU representative	
	GSA representative	
TBD	Sessional Lecturer	
Marjorie Delbaere	Acting Vice-Provost, Students and Learning	