

REPORT OF THE ACTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The [689th meeting of Senate](#) was held on April 21, 2021. The [Faculty Handbook](#) has been updated to reflect any approved policy changes. During the meeting, Senate undertook the following actions:

- received a Report from the Research and Scholarship Policy Committee, and
 - approved the proposed changes to FHB III: C. 2.2.5 c - Appointment of REB Members, Vice Chairs, Chairs and Appeal Board Members as outlined in the Report
- received a Report from the Information Technology and Infrastructure Committee, and
 - endorsed, in principle, the introduction of Hyflex Classrooms as outlined in the Report
- received a Report from the Planning, Priorities and Budget Advisory Committee, and
 - approved that Senate advise the Board that the 2021-22 Budget is consistent with the academic policy of the University
- received a communication to Senate
- received a Report from the Academic Review Committee, and
 - approved the Program Proposal Brief for the PhD in Intelligent Systems and Data Science, to be offered by the Departments of Computer Science and Mathematics and Statistics, be approved for submission to the Quality Council as amended during the meeting
- received the Report of the Chair
- received the Report of the President and Vice-Chancellor
- received the Report of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic
- received the Report of the Vice-President, Research
- received an oral update from the Two Row Council
- met, in camera, to consider a confidential Report from the Provost and Vice-President, Academic

SENATE ACTIONS TAKEN VIA CONSENT AGENDA:

- approved the Minutes of the 688th meeting of Senate held on March 24, 2021
- received the Report of the Academic Colleague
- received the Report of the Academic Review Committee, and
 - approved the Four-Year Report on the cyclical review of the graduate programs in the Department of Applied Disability Studies
 - approved the Request for Major Modification, to modify the admissions requirements to omit the thesis (or equivalent) requirement for the MA in Psychology
 - approved the Request for Major Modification, to add a co-op option to the BSc (Honours) Biological Sciences
- received the Report of the Undergraduate Program Committee, and
 - approved the changes to the Undergraduate Calendar as outlined in the Report
- received the Report of the Graduate Studies Committee
- received the Report of the Teaching and Learning Policy Committee
- received the Report of the Governance Committee

THIS REPORT CONSTITUTES A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN DURING THE OPEN SESSION OF THE MEETING. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING SENATE AND SENATE COMMITTEES IS AVAILABLE AT <https://brocku.ca/university-secretariat/senate/meetings/>.

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