

## REPORT OF THE ACTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The [695<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate](#) was held on December 15, 2021. The [Faculty Handbook](#) has been updated to reflect any approved policy changes. During the meeting, Senate undertook the following actions:

- reviewed a Report from the Governance Committee, and
  - approved amendments to Faculty Handbook Section II: 7.5 (Open and Private meetings) regarding presentations at Senate by non-Senators as outlined in the Report
- reviewed a Report from the Undergraduate Program Committee, and
  - approved amendments to Faculty Handbook Section III:A.7.10 - Pattern of Integrated Studies Program as outlined in the Report
- reviewed a Report from the Planning, Priorities and Budget Advisory Committee, and
  - approved that Senate recommends for the 2022-23 undergraduate international student tuition rate, a flat increase of 8% (years 1, 2 &3) and an increase of 5% (years 4 % 5)
- reviewed the Report of the Chair of Senate
- reviewed the Report of the Interim President and Vice-Chancellor / Provost and Vice-President, Academic during which Senate approved a motion to waive the five-day rule, and
  - approved that:
    - the Interim President and Provost & Vice-President, Academic be authorized to mandate that the Winter 2022 term begin online if the public health situation requires it, and to extend this online period if needed; and
    - that the University Registrar be authorized to adjust restrictions or programming for the Winter 2022 term as needed, without modifying the Academic Calendar, related to the following items:
      - contact hours;
      - notes referencing the delivery mode (i.e., onsite, online, or blended learning);
      - prerequisite requirements as they relate to year 1 courses and sequencing; and
      - experiential education components of courses;provided that such adjustments be undertaken in consultation with Departments, Centres and Programs, as coordinated by the respective Faculty Deans
- received the Report of the Vice-President, Research
- received an oral update from the Two Row Council
- in keeping with section 1.4.1.6 of the Policy on the Appointment and Reappointment of the President and Vice-Presidents, was consulted and engaged in a generative discussion to assist in identifying the issues and challenges facing the University in the ensuing decade and what characteristics/attributes a President should possess in that context

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- defeated a motion to waive the five-day rule to consider an action item from the floor regarding proposed changes to the Faculty Handbook with respect to academic grade alternatives

#### SENATE ACTIONS TAKEN VIA CONSENT AGENDA:

- approved the Minutes of the meeting of the 694<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate held on November 17, 2021
- received the Report of the Actions of the Board of Trustees from the Board meeting held on December 9, 2021
- received the Report of the Academic Review Committee, and
  - approved that the Codicil to the IQAP (Institutional Quality Assurance Processes) be approved as a transitional measure, until the IQAP is revised to fully adhere to the new Quality Assurance Framework and to address the results of an upcoming 2022/23 Quality Council audit
  - approved the Final Assessment Report for the cyclical review of the graduate and undergraduate programs in the Department of Geography and Tourism Studies
  - approved the Request for Major Modification to change the name of the BA in Political Science (Public Administration) Co-op to BA in Political Science (Public Policy and Administration) Co-op
- received a Report from the Graduate Studies Committee, and
  - approved the proposed 2022-23 Graduate Academic Calendar Submissions as outlined in the Report
- the Undergraduate Program Committee, and
  - approved the proposed changes to the Undergraduate Calendar as outlined in the Report
- received a Report from the Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee
- received a Report from the Teaching and Learning Policy 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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December 17, 2021