

REPORT OF THE ACTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The [715th meeting of Senate](#) was held on December 13, 2023. 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 Graduate Studies Committee, and
 - approved the proposed revisions to the Graduate Calendar Academic Regulations and University Policies Section as outlined in the table within the Report and Appendix 1
- received a Report from the Governance Committee, and
 - approved that the Governance Committee's Terms of Reference (Faculty Handbook 2:9.5.1 k) be amended as follows to clarify the process for approval of academic unit name changes [highlight indicates insertion]:
 - k) recommends regarding proposals for a change in the name of academic units, such proposals to include, at a minimum:
 - The rationale for the change in name;
 - Evidence of support from the academic unit;
 - Evidence of support of the Dean of the relevant Faculty;
 - Evidence of consultation with other affected academic and non- academic units, including the Registrar's Office and Facilities Management; and
 - Sector comparators.
 - approved that Faculty Handbook 2:9.1 (Committees) be amended as follows to clarify Senate's committee service requirement [highlight indicates insertion]:
 - 9.1 General
 - Each elected member of Senate shall normally serve on at least one Senate committee. Meetings of committees shall normally be scheduled so as not to conflict with members' regular class commitments.
- received the Report of the Senate 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

SENATE ACTIONS TAKEN VIA CONSENT AGENDA:

- approved the Minutes of the 714th meeting of Senate held on November 15, 2023
- received the Report of the Actions of the Board of Trustees
- received a Report from the Academic Review Committee, and
 - approved the Final Assessment report for the cyclical review of the undergraduate B.Ed. Aboriginal Adult Education program
 - approved the Request for Major Modification to create two specializations (a) Infection Prevention & Control and b) Health Information Management within the Master of Public Health program
 - approved the Request for Major Modification to change the program name from Oenology and Viticulture to Applied Grape and Wine Science

- received a Report from the Undergraduate Program Committee, and
 - approved the changes to the Undergraduate Calendar as outlined in the Report
- received Reports for information from the Planning, Priorities and Budget Advisory Committee, the Information Technology & Infrastructure Committee, the Teaching & Learning Policy Committee, the Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee, and the Research & Scholarship 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 14, 2023