

Research Advisory Council 2026-27

Faculty Area	Attending Representative	Alternate
VOTING MEMBERS		
Arts - Humanities	Sumin Fang	Melissa Walter
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Science	Serhii Myroshnychenko	Andrew Staal
Science	Harley Gordon	
Health Sciences	Amanda Wurz	Heather Campbell
Health Sciences	Luisa Giles	
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Education, Community and Human Development	Rita Dhungel (chair)	Andrea Sator
Education, Community and Human Development		
Applied and Technical Studies		
Applied and Technical Studies	Trevor Beugeling	
University Librarian or designate	Alexis McKenzie	Martin Warkentin
Chair or Vice-Chair of the UFV Human Research Ethics Board	Joanne Robertson	Gillian Hatfield
CENTRES & LABS - voting members		
Food and Agriculture Institute	Lenore Newman	Stefania Pizzirani
South Asian Studies Institute	Hassan Javid	
Community Health and Social Innovation Hub	Martha Dow	
Esposito Family Centre for Innovation and Entrepreneurship	Jon Thomas	
Peace and Reconciliation Centre	Keith Carlson	
Centre for Public Safety and Criminal Justice	Irwin Cohen	
Centre for Education and Research on Aging	Shelley Canning	
Centre for Philosophy for Children	Anastasia Anderson	
Centre for Justice, Equity, & Sustainable Action (JESA)	Brianna Strumm	Geetanjali Gill
BERRi Lab	Lauren Erland	
Luminescence Dating Lab	Olav Lian	
Centre for High Pressure Research/Molecular Modeling Lab	Jacob Spooner	
RESEARCH CHAIRS - voting members		
CRC - Indigenous & Community Engaged History	Keith Carlson	
CRC - Health and Community	Cindy Jardine	
CRC - Berry Horticulture	Lauren Erland	
UFV Research Chair in Food and Agriculture Innovation	Lenore Newman	
BC Regional Chair - Canada India Partnership Development	Jon Thomas	
NON VOTING		Assistants
AVP Research & Graduate Studies	Garry Fehr	
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Meetings are UFV Week 3, Thursdays, 1:30 – 3:30 pm		
Quorum: >50% with a minimum of 10 voting members		