

Senate Teaching and Learning Committee Terms of Reference

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Senate Teaching and Learning Committee will:

1. Promote university-wide discussion on matters of teaching and learning, including programs and practices that support and celebrate high quality learning.
2. Advise Senate on the university's teaching and learning environment, and recommend measures to promote excellence in teaching and learning in all its forms.
3. Advise Senate on the development of policies and procedures that will advance teaching and learning.
4. Advise Senate and recommend initiatives that assess and influence the quality of teaching and learning experiences of our students.
5. Advise Senate on the promotion of academic integrity in teaching and learning.
6. Advise Senate on the promotion of research on teaching and learning.
7. Advise Senate on supporting Indigenous learners and incorporating indigenous ways of knowing in the curriculum.
8. Advise Senate on enacting and institutionalizing Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) in teaching and learning practices.
9. Maintain an ongoing dialogue with the Teaching and Learning Centre, and other relevant stakeholders to develop and promote practices that contribute to the quality of teaching and learning.
10. Oversee the Teaching Excellence Award process by creating the annual selection committee.
11. Consider matters related to teaching and learning referred to the Committee by Senate and its committees.
12. Other duties as assigned by Senate.
13. Provide annual written reports to Senate.
14. Review its terms of reference and membership composition annually and make recommendations for any changes to Senate.

COMPOSITION

Chair

A voting member of the committee, to be nominated annually from the membership, unless directed otherwise by Senate

Vice Chair

A voting member of the committee, to be nominated annually from the membership

Voting Members

- Associate Vice-President, Teaching and Learning
- Seven faculty members.† approved by Senate, at least one of whom shall be a member of Senate and, if possible, one of whom shall be a past recipient of the Teaching Excellence Award
- Two undergraduate students approved by Senate
- One dean or designate*

- Chair of Teaching and Learning Advisory Council
- Associate Director, Student Affairs or designate*
- Chair of Undergraduate Education Committee, or designate*

Ex Officio Non-Voting Members

- Associate Vice-President, Xwexwilmexwawt or designate*
- University Secretary

Administrative Support

- Teaching and Learning Office

*The designate is appointed for a minimum of a one-year term to ensure continuity.

† Normally, there shall be at least one member from each of the faculties selected to ensure that the composition of the committee reflects the diversity of disciplines at the university. Preference will be given to those with experience in graduate studies.