



The Senate of Acadia University acknowledges that we are located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq People.

Dear Member of Senate:

I advise you that a meeting of the Senate of Acadia University will occur from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday 9th October, 2019 in BAC 132.

The agenda follows:

1) Approval of Agenda

2) Minutes of the Senate Meeting of 9th September 2019

3) Announcements

4) Time sensitive items:

- a) Approval of Graduates
 - i. Approval of list (*to be circulated*)
 - ii. Enabling motion (*attached*)

5) New Business

- a) Preliminary Enrolment Report (*M. Bishop*) (*to be circulated*)
- b) Budget Actuals report 2018-2019 (*C. Callbeck*)
- c) Transition Reports from Senate Sub-Committees
 - i) Research Ethics Board (2019-2020) (*attached*)
 - ii) Nominating Committee (2019-2020) (*attached*)
 - iii) Honours Committee (2019-2020) (*attached*)
 - iv) Academic Program Review Committee (2019-2020) (*to be circulated*)
 - v) Academic Planning Committee (2019-2020) (*to be circulated*)
 - vi) Curriculum Committee (Policy) (2019-2020) (*to be circulated*)
 - vii) Scholarships, Prizes and Awards Committee (2019-2020) (*to be circulated*)
 - viii) Timetable Instruction and Examinations Committee (2019-2020) (*to be circulated*)

6) Other Business

7) Adjournment

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED
Rosie Hare
Recording Secretary to Senate

Announcements

PRESIDENT’S REPORT TO SENATE – October, 2019:

PROVOST AND VPA REPORT TO SENATE - OCTOBER 2019

The fall semester is in full swing and while students and faculty are settling into the routine of the term, we are already preparing for and working toward next year. The recruitment team has hit the road both domestically and internationally and will be working hard over the coming months to recruit students for September 2020

Acadia Colleague Enhancement (ACE) Project

The ACE project is proceeding with several major achievements since the last senate meeting.

- The project team is now fully staffed.
- Phase I, the implementation of a new Constituent Relationship Management (CRM) software package is nearing completion. *Slate CRM* went live on October 1, 2019 and final testing and configuration will be completed by October 15. This package provides a much improved student experience for managing the applicant through admission phase of the student lifecycle. It will also provide dramatically improved communication tools for the recruitment and admission offices and the ability to use analytics to understand application and admission trends.
- A contract has been signed with an implementation partner for Phase II, the installation and configuration of *Colleague Student*.
- A formal launch for Phase II will be held on October 15, 11am - 12pm.

Enrolment Update

On October 1, each year Atlantic universities provide an enrolment report to the Association of Atlantic Universities (AAU). Our full-time undergraduate enrolment is up by about 2% overall, first-year students are basically the same as last year, while part-time enrolment and transfer students are down. There is continued growth in the full-time international students, up about 6.9%.

	1 October 2018	1 October 2019
Undergraduate		
Full-Time	3,549	3,628
Part-Time	426	339
Graduate		
Full-Time	188	176

Part-Time	335	359
Undergraduate		
First Year FT	869	863
New Transfer (FT & PT)	430	369
Visa-Full-Time		
Undergraduate	508	543
Graduate	37	41

Note that “First Year” students are defined as “new students with no previous post-secondary education and students who have completed one year of CEGEP. “New transfer” students are new students having previous post secondary education and may be registered in any academic year.

Facilities Usage Framework

Core to the operation of Acadia University and its ability to achieve the University Mission and Vision, is the effective use of University facilities. This means that there are often multiple demands on University facilities. To ensure that the academic mission is given priority, a framework has been implemented that establishes criteria for the allocation of facilities. The framework is attached to this report as an information item.

Maple League Update

- Hosted a series of Maple League Town Halls September 6 – 11, 2019
- Launched a series of funds available to all members of our communities aimed at supporting research, innovative pedagogies, and travel between campuses
- Submitted a Letter of Intent with a request for \$500,000 over two years for ML projects to the Future Skills Centre to increase experiential learning opportunities, especially in the humanities, across the four institutions
- Received a RBC grant of \$50,000 for Maple League access to RIIPEN, North America’s largest experiential and work integrated learning platform (total funding for this project with matching funds from RIIPEN is worth \$80,000)
- McConnell Foundation has awarded the Maple League \$100,000 through the RECODE program
- CAGS Board approved a “consortium” membership fee for Maple League Institutions and offered all Maple League members access to the membership registration fees for the upcoming conference in Halifax November 4 – 6, 2019
- Submitted four 3M National Teaching Fellowship dossiers for Maple League faculty and one submission to AAU Teaching Award

Upcoming Events

- Supporting a number of student-led collaborations planned for 2019–2020, including the Up for Debate Weekend October 25 – 27, 2019
- Hosting a Retention Retreat (October 16 – 17th at Acadia University) aimed at targeting our retention challenges and sharing emerging practices and effective interventions to help students complete their degrees in a timely manner
- Leading conversations about quality undergraduate experience nationally, including a featured interview with the Conference Board of Canada, a forthcoming article from

University Affairs Magazine on quality undergraduate education in Canada, and a pre-conference at Universities Canada in Ottawa

- Creating a “pathways to leadership” resource to increase the number of 3M Student Fellows, Rhodes scholars, and undergraduate research opportunities

Response to APC

As reported at the last senate meeting, the Academic Planning Committee (APC) has ranked tenure-track requests for the coming year. A Memorandum of Agreement between the Acadia University Faculty Association and the Board of Governors of Acadia University as part of the 15th collective agreement requires that there will be 162 tenure/tenure-track positions on July 1, 2020. With the current faculty complement, this means that there will be at least three tenure-track position to be filled this year. As per the APC rankings, I have authorized a search in the School of Education, Department of Sociology, and the Department of Earth and Environmental Science. Other positions will be determined as vacancies arise and through the upcoming budget process.

Dean FPS

The committee is now fully staffed, and soon will conduct a series of stakeholder meetings to review the position profile and to develop the advertisement. The plan is to advertise this fall, with interviews early in the new year.

What follows are announcements from the faculties and the division of research and graduate studies.

FACULTY OF ARTS

In conjunction with the H.T. Reid Lecture Series, Dr. Shiri Pasternak, Department of Criminology, Research Director for the Yellowhead Institute at Ryerson University, will be giving the conference’s keynote talk on Friday, October 18 at 7 pm, entitled “**Assimilation or Segregation? A Talk on the Status of Indigenous Economic Rights in Canada**”. Dr. Pasternak is the author of the award-winning book *Grounded Authority: the Algonquins of Barriere Lake Against the State* and the Research Director for the Yellowhead Institute, a First Nations-led think tank based in the Faculty of Arts at Ryerson University.

The Department of Politics is hosting this year’s **Conference of the Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association (APPSA) on October 18-20**. As part of the conference, the department is organizing a free, public roundtable on anti-black racism in the academy that will take place on Saturday from 12:45-2:00. The importance and urgency of a discussion about this issue was highlighted by the experience of Shelby McPhee at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in June. Mr. McPhee, who is a graduate student at Acadia, was subject to racial profiling and implicit bias on the part of another conference attendee. Mr. McPhee will be joined on this roundtable by Dr. Claudine Bonner (Acadia University and Black Canadian Studies Association), Sawyer Carnegie (Saint Mary’s University and Black Canadian Studies Association), and Dr. Tracy-Ann Johnson-Myers (University of the West Indies).

Christian Thomas, Department of Languages and Literatures (German Unit) Participated in International Congress: "Fontanes Medien" (Fontanes Media), 200-year Anniversary Conference, University Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany, June 13-16 2019. He also participated in Goethe Institut Seminar "Künste im DaF-Unterricht" (Integrating Arts in German Language Teaching), Goethe Institut, Berlin, Germany June 30 – July 13, 2019. Dr. Thomas's participation was sponsored by a Goethe Institut Scholarship. He also had a publication titled, "Melusine von Barby's Barriers and Connections in Der Stechlin, Fontane in the 21st Century, ed. John Lyon & Bryan Tucker, Camden House, 2019. pp. 213-231.

FACULTY OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Congratulations to the following **Harrison McCain Award winners** in the Faculty of Professional Studies:

Emerging Scholar – Drs. Hassan Sarhadi, Business; Ayman Aljarrah, Cynthia Bruce, Kate Gignac, Education; Lauren Lattimer, Kinesiology; Michelle Boyd, Music

Visitorship: Drs. John Guiney Yallop, Education and Ken Shorley, Music

Department of Community Development

Mi'kmaq History Month at Acadia started with three moving performances of Elapultiek, a fireside play that stimulates complex and thoughtful reflection on the suppression of indigenous knowledge and worldviews since colonization and the need to reconcile them. The Harriot Irving Botanical Garden and the Department of Community Development Department organized these three performances, with the generous support of Student Services and Environment and Sustainability Studies. Other units that provided support were Women's and Gender Studies, Politics, Acadia Library, Sociology, Nutrition and Dietetics, Education, and AUFA-Women's Committee, as well as the Friends of the Acadian Forest Society of the Botanical Gardens. Thank you also to President Ricketts, Provost and VPA Keefe and Vice Provost Scott Duguay who shared the responsibility of giving the welcome and land acknowledgement before each play. Over the three performances there were over 250 audience members, mostly students, who found the performance captivating, challenging and enlightening.

School of Business

At the 49th Atlantic Schools of Business Conference at Cape Breton University the last weekend in September, the Manning School of Business submitted two teams to the student case competition. Of the eight teams that participated, Acadia placed both first and second in the competition! The winning team was comprised of Hope Martin, Nicole Morrison, Ozgur Ozguven, and Guy Harrison-Murray. In second place were Nicole Holmes, Sulaman Qureshi, Gabriel Blumberg, and Sid Kondapuram. Congratulations to these students on their very successful efforts!

At the same Conference, the Manning School of Business also received the Best Research Performance Award. This award is given to the Business School whose faculty contributed the most research to the conference on a per capita basis (e.g., pro-rated number of faculty in the

business school to number of papers submitted). Dean of the Shannon School of Business, George Karaphillis, presented the award on behalf of the ASB Conference Executive.

School of Education

Acadia's School of Education co-sponsored the 7th International Symposium on Poetic Inquiry held at the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia October 3-5, 2019. The symposium, which included 60 scholars, poets and artists from across Canada and the US and from as far afield as New Zealand and South Africa, recognized the International Year of Indigenous Languages and featured a number of international indigenous and African diasporic scholars and artists. Thanks are due Dr. John Guiney Yallop for his efforts as the Symposium co-host and organizer.

School of Kinesiology

Dr. Chris Shields has recently been invited to deliver the Bert Carron senior lecture at the annual Canadian Society for Psychomotor Learning and Sport Psychology conference in Montreal, October 2020. This is one of two invited keynote lectures delivered at the conference.

Dr. Jonathan Fowles delivered the Keynote Speech at the Atlantic Vitality Expo, on September 26 to over 200 community members, health professionals and business people, at the Rath Eastlink Community Centre in Truro. His talk was titled "Exercise is Medicine: Bridging the Gap from Health Care to Community Wellness."

Dr. Fowles has also been confirmed as the Keynote Speaker for the Graduate Student Symposium at the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology Conference, in Kelowna BC in November, presenting on 'Mentorship and Leadership in Grad School.' And he has been confirmed as the Keynote Speaker for the 2020 Canadian Family Practice Nurses Conference to be held in Halifax, May 2020.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Honours **Physics (Co-op) Grad Margaret Buhariwalla** has received a prestigious NSERC CGS-M which she has taken up this fall at St. Mary's University to study astrophysics.

Dr. Ruben Sandapen, the new tenure-track hire in the Department of Physics, was invited as a plenary speaker at the international conference Light Cone 2019 (QCD on the light-cone: from hadrons to heavy ions) held at the Ecole Polytechnique in Paris, France, September 16-20, 2019. The title of his talk was: "An overview of light-front holography". The talk reviewed the most important contributions to the field of holographic light-front QCD over the last decade.

Five undergraduate and 3 graduate students from the Department of Psychology presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Psychological Association in June. At this meeting, one of these students, **Jill Northcutt**, received the award for "Best Student Presentation" from the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity section for her symposium presentation based on her honours thesis research.

Dr. Trevor Avery and Dr. Russell Easy from the Department of Biology recently attended the 45th Annual meeting of the Atlantic International Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in PEI with several graduate and undergraduate students. Liza Tsitrin (Stokesbury Lab) and Brandon Nilsen (Stokesbury/Avery Labs) tied for first place for oral presentation and William Bauer (Avery Lab research topics project) brought the Soggy Boot Award back to Acadia for the third year in a row. The Soggy Boot is awarded for the most enthusiastic and entertaining presentation. Danni Harper (Stokesbury Lab) won the Lunger award for illustrating the largest fish landed with a rod and reel. Faculty members, Government and Industry scientists commented on the quality of work and presentation skills exemplified by Acadia students.

RESEARCH & GRADUATE STUDIES

New Research Awards

Temporal Trends of Contaminants in Arctic Seabird Eggs

Dr. Mark Mallory (Biology and Acadia's Tier 1 CRC in Coastal Ecosystem Resilience and Connectivity) has been successful with partners from McGill and Environment Canada & Climate Change in securing funding through the Northern Contaminants program (a program of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs). The funds are targeted to cover field work costs in the Nunavut for the ongoing project, Temporal Trends of Contaminants in Arctic Seabird Eggs. Dr Mallory will receive \$33,800 of the \$87,000 award.

Industry & Community Engagement Office

Acadia faculty continue to access funds for graduate students through the Mitacs program.

Dr. Danny Silver (Computer Science and the Acadia Institute for Data Analytics (AIDA)) and Shannex Healthcare are collaborating on a \$15,000, 6-month Mitacs project. A graduate student will be seeking to use natural language processing and machine learning techniques to develop models that can predict the probability of a resident exhibiting aggressive behaviours that may harm themselves or others.

Dr. Trevor Avery (Biology and Mathematics & Statistics) was successful in applying for funding for a \$30,000, 8-month project, Spatial and Temporal Patterns of Habitat use of Green Anaconda in Amazonian Streams Using Remotely Sensed Imaging and Radio Telemetry. This project will be studying the relationship of Green Anacondas with their surroundings and will use radio telemetry to follow Anacondas in order to observe them and collect information, as well as drone and satellite imagery to describe the Anacondas territories and habitats. Field work is taking place in Peru, and the partnering organizations are the Alliance for Research and Conservation in the Amazon (a Canadian Charity working in Peru) and the Environmental Systems Research Institute – a US-based leader in GIS software development. The graduate student is registered in the Master of Science in Applied Geomatics program, a joint graduate program between Acadia and NSCC.

Collaborative Research Agreement Signed with the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq to Study Tomcod Movements & Behavior in the Avon, Halfway and Cogmagun Rivers. **Dr. Trevor Avery (Biology)** is collaborating with the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq on a three-year environmental monitoring project (valued at \$187,359) to examine Tomcod movement and

behavior within three river systems with various levels of obstruction. This work will provide survey information before, during and after the twinning of Highway 101 between Falmouth and Three Mile Plains and post construction monitoring of culverts constructed following the 2017 Halfway River railway bridge collapse. This project represents the second research collaboration for Dr. Avery involving the Confederation, commercial fishers and government agencies.

NRC-IRAP CTO Projects (3) – Acadia Faculty Members Collaborating with Eden Valley Poultry Inc., Bailley Cosmetics Inc. & Talem Health Analytics Dr. Hassan Sarhadi (Business) is working with Eden Valley Poultry, one of NS's largest employers, to investigate methods to optimize the quality, quantity and volume of chickens and turkeys processed by their plant. Dr. Kirk Hillier (Biology) is leading a project with Bailly Fragrance Inc., a Halifax-based company that manufactures and sells innovative perfumes. This collaboration will evaluate new fragrance profiles for health and mood-enhancing benefits. Dr. Danny Silver (Computer Science) is working with Talem Health Analytics, an innovative, Cape Breton-based company that uses technology to assess bodily injury claims for insurance companies. This project will examine different machine learning approaches to better predict injury severity and recovery trajectory for individuals in car accidents.

Acadia Awarded Additional NSBI Productivity & Innovation Voucher Project (\$15,000) Earlier this month Acadia received notice of an additional provincial Productivity & Innovation Voucher Award (this represents our 11th Voucher this year!) for a project with Aqualitas, Inc. The project will investigate optimal synthetic approaches for producing water-soluble and highly stable cannabinoid/CD complexes by exploring a variety of different delivery technologies, including micro and nano-encapsulation processes. Dr. Kirk Hiller (Biology) and Dr. Nicoletta Faraone (Chemistry) are jointly leading this project.

New Staff Hire at Research & Graduate Studies

Dr Peter Ludlow has joined the research team at RGS for an 8-month contract as Manager of Research Grants and Programs. Having organized and managed a SSHRC-funded Partnership Development Grant at Saint Mary's University from 2013-2015, he is familiar with the Tri-Council and its funding apparatus. For the past three years, he has worked as an institutional historian while operating his own consultant company. He is also the author of several books and publications and is currently president of the Canadian Catholic Historical Association. Peter will be helping Acadia faculty to identify external funding opportunities and complete the often complex process of applying for research funding.

Canada Research Chair (CRC) Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plan

RGS established a CRC Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Working Group to develop an institutional CRC EDI Action Plan that addresses systemic barriers for CRCs (and faculty) from under-represented groups. The main objectives are to: 1) Improve campus awareness of and training in equity, diversity and inclusion best practices; 2) Improve hiring policies and processes to attract and retain diverse CRCs; and 3) Provide mentoring, collaboration opportunities, and promote the research and contributions of CRCs from under-represented groups. The Plan has

been submitted to the CRC Program and will be forwarded to the recently established Senate Committee for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

ANNUAL REPORT: Faculty of Theology – Acadia Divinity College

STUDENT ENROLLMENT FOR 2018-2019

Our student body is both local and global with students from more than 10 countries, who represent more than 20 Christian denominations. Between September 2018 and April 2019, Acadia Divinity College had a headcount of 218 students, compared to 221 last year. While there is a slight decrease overall, we have seen an increase in the number of incoming, full-time students due mainly to an increased number of incoming students in the Master of Arts (Theology) and Master of Divinity degrees and we anticipate this continued trend.

FACULTY

New President and Dean of Theology - Dr. Robbins

On September 5, a Service of Installation was held at the Festival Theatre, including the participation of the Acadia University President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Peter Ricketts

Retirement of Harry Gardner At a large gathering at Sheldon L. Fountain Learning Commons on June 21, 2019, ADC, Acadia University, and the wider constituency honoured the Rev. Dr. Harry Gardner as he retired after serving two terms as President of ADC and Dean of Theology for Acadia University.

Appointments Dr. Robert Wilson was awarded the designation of Professor Emeritus of Acadia Divinity College in May. Dr. Robert Wilson, served as Thomas J. Armstrong Senior Professor of Church History prior to his retirement in 2018. Also in May, Rev. Dr. Stephen McMullin was appointed to the rank of Professor in the Sheldon and Marjorie Fountain Chair of Evangelism and Mission. Rev. Dr. H. Daniel Zacharias, Associate Professor of New Testament, was awarded a sabbatical from January to June 2020. Dr. Melody Maxwell, Associate Professor of Church History, has been appointed director of the Acadia Centre for Baptist and Anabaptist Studies (ACBAS) and Rev. Dr. Stuart Blythe, John Gladstone Associate Professor of Preaching and Worship, has been appointed director of the annual Gerald K. Simpson Lectures.

BUILDING REFURBISHMENT At the beginning of September, the refurbishment of the college building had progressed to the point that we moved into the building to begin our classes this fall. The classrooms are brighter, and better equipped for the use of technology. We very much appreciate the University's provision of office and meeting room spaces in Willett House and the use of university classrooms during the past academic year, and the opportunity to incorporate our weekly ADC chapel services in the schedule of the Manning Memorial Chapel each Wednesday.

ATS ACCREDITATION PROCESS ADC's 10-year accreditation with the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS) will expire in 2021. The College has initiated a

self-study process that will culminate in a comprehensive report that will be submitted to ATS in the fall of 2020. The ADC Curriculum Committee is serving as the steering committee for the report, with all faculty serving on one of the three subcommittees that are responding to the various ATS standards.

LECTURE SERIES

Hayward Lectures: The College's annual Hayward Lectures took place October 16-18, 2018, at Acadia University. Dr. Richard Bauckham, Professor Emeritus at St. Andrews University, presented three lectures on the topic of "Who is God? Key Moments of Biblical Revelation".

Simpson Lectures: The annual Simpson Lectures were held on February 11-13, 2019, at the Sheldon L. Fountain Learning Commons on the topic of Flourishing Congregations. Dr. Joel Thiessen, professor of Sociology and Director of the Flourishing Congregations Institute at Ambrose University, was the lecturer.

SPECIAL ACADEMIC EVENTS

International Collaboration on Faith and Violence: In May 2019, Acadia Divinity College and the Charles J. Taylor Centre for Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care hosted top academic researchers from around the globe who study how congregations address and respond to domestic violence. The collaborative meeting was organized by Dr. Steve McMullin, who teaches a course entitled, "The Church's Response to Domestic Violence" and by the University of New Brunswick's (UNB) Cathy Holtmann, Director of the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research. Researchers from The United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand joined researchers from ADC and from UNB for three days of consultations in addition to well-attended public lectures and events.

Israel Study Tour In June 2019, Dr. Harry Gardner, Dr. Anna Robbins and Dr. Glenn Wooden led a group of 42 people on a 'Journey of Discovery in Israel and Palestine'. This 12-day tour visited many locations found in scripture such as the Sea of Galilee, Caesarea Philippi, Bethlehem and Jerusalem. The tour also featured two courses allowing students to earn academic credit towards their degree programs. "Israel Study Tour", taught by Dr. Wooden, introduced the geography of the land and to shed light on events of the Old and New Testaments, while "Theology of Political Reconciliation", taught by Dr. Anna Robbins, explored the place of forgiveness and repentance in political reconciliation, the context of the relationship between Israel and Palestine.

RZIM Summit in July 2019, Acadia Divinity College hosted the Ravi Zacharias International Ministries (RZIM) 2019 Summit. The four-day summit focused on the topic, "All Nature Sings: God and the Natural World". A special Friday event with Ravi Zacharias was held at the Festival Theatre to a sold-out audience. Alongside the event, Dr. Anna Robbins taught a course, Apologetics of God and the Natural World.

Respectfully Submitted
Dale Keefe



POLICIES and PROCEDURES

Date Last Updated	20 August 2019
Approving Sector Head	Provost & Vice-President Academic and Vice-President Administration
Framework	FACILITY USE

Core to the operation of Acadia University and its ability to achieve the University Mission and Vision, is the effective use of University facilities. This means that there are often multiple demands on University facilities. To ensure that the academic mission is given priority, this policy establishes criteria for the allocation of facilities.

From time to time, the University may need to reallocate space as required, based on need, productivity or institutional priorities. All employees are expected to use University space in a cooperative manner that will facilitate the achievement of Acadia's Mission, Vision, Values and Goals.

Provision of Space

The provision of space and recreational facilities for use by students, faculty, staff, alumni and the community is integral to how Acadia functions. With this in mind, the following category types, prioritization and guidelines have been developed to facilitate scheduling and service coordination required for the optimal use of University facilities.

Prioritization

The priority ranking for the use of University space is:

1. Academic activities;
2. Administrative and Advancement activities;
3. Student activities; and
4. External non-University activities.

Academic – use of University space and facilities for teaching and research activities, including: courses, seminars, laboratories and tutorials, examinations and tests.

Administrative – use of University space and facilities for internal administrative purposes including: offices and meetings, training sessions or presentations. This includes union and professional association activities.

Advancement – use of University space and facilities for internal advancement purposes including: offices and meetings, fundraising events, and donor relations.

Student - use of University space and facilities for activities of student clubs and societies sanctioned by the ASU or Acadia University, or by currently registered students of Acadia.

External – use of University space for third party endeavours, events, conferences, or any use by an external user for non-University related activity.

Priority will be given to the University's academic, research and programming needs as follows:

1. Academic classes, labs, examinations and related activities requiring student attendance (e.g. presentations, student leadership training, tutorials)
2. Special recognition events for students, faculty and staff (e.g. Convocation, Open House, etc.)
3. University committee and departmental meetings
4. University sponsored training and development programs
5. Clubs (ASU ratified)

Facilities will only be used for appropriate activities, e.g. Laboratories will only be used for appropriate courses and/or research.

Varsity Athletics' practices, games and campus programming will receive priority following academic requirements when scheduling facilities at the Athletic Complex.

The external use of Facilities will be reserved on a first come first served basis with an emphasis on the use of space for activities included in the University's sales program for meetings, conferences, youth camps and other events.

Scheduling of Facilities

1. Space for academic classes, labs and examinations, auditoriums and classrooms, will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office.
2. All other requests for use of space, catering and support services shall be submitted to the Events Office at least five (5) working days prior to the date of the activity or ten (10) working days should the inquiry include a request for alcohol to be served (585-BOOK, 2665 or reservations@acadiu.ca).
3. Scheduling of facilities will consider the many special requirements and traffic flow patterns associated with University special events (e.g. Convocation, Open House).

Rescheduling of Facilities Bookings

1. From time to time, it may be necessary to reschedule the space assigned to a particular activity. This will be done only when absolutely necessary.
2. The Registrar's Office may need to reassign classrooms that have been assigned to a particular course for such considerations as enrolment, needs accommodations or pedagogy. When this happens, the Registrar's Office will provide as much notice as possible to the affected individuals (instructor/s, students).
3. When necessary to move a booking from one room to another, the booking party will be notified of such changes as soon as practical.

Senate Meeting to approve Fall 2019 Graduation List – October 9, 2019

Enabling Motion:

Any candidate for an Acadia degree, diploma or certificate who should receive a grade or otherwise qualify or be disqualified between this Senate meeting and the Senate meeting in April, may, if circumstances require, be considered by the Chair of the Admissions and Academic Standing (Policy) Committee, the appropriate Dean, the appropriate Head/Director, and the Registrar, acting as an ad hoc committee of Senate, they having the power to make consequential amendments to the graduation list. Any such amendments to the list shall be reported to Senate at the next Senate meeting.

The Senate Research Ethics Board

The Senate Research Ethics Board (REB) has met twice since July 1: on July 4 and on September 5. The REB is scheduled to meet once during each of the next 10 months, October included. The usual items will be addressed, namely, the review of research ethics applications and the resolution of research-ethics-related issues.

Nominating Committee

Report to Senate

Oct 1, 2019

The Nominating Committee met on September 30, 2019 and nominated Caroline Cochran to serve as Chair for this committee. Caroline Cochran has accepted the nomination. The committee has agreed to hold their next meeting in late January or early February of 2020.

The committee has asked Senate to consider the addition of a fifth duty stating `` to take diversity into consideration in the execution of our duties” for the Nominating Committee. This would be listed as (4) in the list of duties.

Caroline Cochran

Chair of the Nominating Committee

**Senate Honours Committee Plans for 2019-2020
Short Report for October Meeting of Senate**

Prepared by:
Joseph Hayes
Chair of the Honours Committee
Associate Professor, Psychology

Schedule of Meetings:

Fall Term:

September 30: Met to discuss the results of the Honours External Review Survey conducted in May of 2019.

October 18-23: We plan to meet again in the next two weeks.

November: If needed.

Winter Term:

TBD: Meeting to adjudicate Summer Honours Research Awards

TBD: Final meeting to discuss ongoing business arising from previous meetings

Main Issue to be addressed this year:

Dr. Anna Redden (Dean of Research and Graduate Studies) has made it clear that RGS has no interest in continuing to handle the honours external review process. Our goal is to explore alternatives to the existing process, and to use the results of the May 2019 Survey to inform our decision making. We plan to report the results of the survey to Senate in the coming months, and to submit a recommendation to Senate regarding existing policy associated with the external review process for honours theses.

