

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2026-2027
ON
THE SENATE OF ACADIA UNIVERSITY
AND
SENATE COMMITTEES

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Senate of Acadia University Membership for 2026-2027

	Membership	Representative	Term	Term End	Notes
1	Chair (see Note on page 2)	Anna Kieft	1 yr	2027	
1	Deputy-Chair	Christianne Rushton	1 yr	2027	
1	Secretary/Registrar (<i>non-voting</i>)	Mark Bishop	ex-officio		
1	Recording Secretary/University Secretary (<i>non-voting</i>)	Sonya Pineo	ex-officio		
1	Chancellor	Nancy McCain	ex-officio		
1	President	Jeff Hennessy	ex-officio		
1	Provost and Vice-President Academic	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio		
1	Vice-President Finance & Admin. and CFO (<i>non-voting</i>)	Erin Beaudin	ex-officio		
1	Vice-Provost Curriculum and Planning	Lauren Wilson Finniss	ex-officio		
1	Vice-Provost Research and Innovation (<i>non-voting</i>)	Peter Ludlow	ex-officio		
1	Vice-President, Student Experience (<i>non-voting</i>)	Scott Duguay	ex-officio		
1	Vice-Provost Academic Planning and Graduate Studies	Kate Ashley	ex-officio		
1	Associate Vice-President EDIAR	Lerato Chondoma	ex-officio		
1	Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio		
1	Dean of Professional Studies	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio		
1	Dean of Pure & Applied Science	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio		
1	Dean of Library and Archives	Jennifer Richard	ex-officio		
1	Dean of Theology	Anna Robbins	ex-officio		
1	President, Student Union	Emma Boles	ex-officio		
1	Director of Human Rights and Equity (<i>non-voting</i>)	VACANT	ex-officio		
1	Executive Advisor, L'n'u Affairs and Indigenization	Zabrina Whitman	ex-officio		
1	Board of Governors	Candy O'Connor	3 yr	2027	
1	Board of Governors	Tracey McGillivray	3 yr	2028	
1	Board of Governors	Shelley Fleckenstein	3 yr	2029	
1	Theology	Danny Zacharias	3 yr	2028	
1	Librarian	Ciaran Purdome	3 yr	2028	
1	Arts	Donna Seamone	3 yr	2027	
1	Arts	Jessica Slights	3 yr	2027	
1	Arts	Jesse Carlson	3 yr	2028	
1	Arts	Forough Mohammadi	3 yr	2028	
1	Arts	Sonia Hewitt	3 yr	2028	
1	Arts	Kait Pinder	3 yr	2029	
1	Arts	Marc Ramsay	3 yr	2029	
1	Arts	Jeffrey Sachs	3 yr	2029	
1	Arts	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1	Prof. St. (Act. Dir. Business)	Edith Callaghan	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St. (Act. Head Comm. Dev.)	Mary Sweatman	ex-officio		Sabbatical replacement for J. Colton (July – Dec 2026)
1	Prof. St. (Director Counselling)	Tanya Surette	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St. (Director Education)	Ayman Aljarrah	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St. (Director Kinesiology)	Darren Kruisselbrink	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St. (Director Music)	Christianne Rushton	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St. (Director Nursing)	Cassel Busse	ex-officio		
1	Prof. St.	Jonathon Fowles	3 yr	2027	
1	Prof. St.	Nicholas D'Amato	3 yr	2027	

1	P&A Sc. (Biology)	Hélène d'Entremont	3 yr	2029
1	P&A Sc. (Chemistry)	Anthony Tong	3 yr	2029
1	P&A Sc. (Director Comp. Sci)	Darcy Benoit	ex-officio	
1	P&A Sc. (Earth & Environmental)	Nelson O'Driscoll	3 yr	2029
1	P&A Sc. (Director Engineering)	Scott Bishop	ex-officio	
1	P&A Sc. (Math and Stats)	Holger Teismann	3 yr	2028
1	P&A Sc. (Dir. Nutrition & Diet.) (Int)	Liesel Carlsson	ex-officio	
1	P&A Sc. (Physics)	Michael Robertson	3 yr	2029
1	P&A Sc. (Psychology)	Joe Hayes	3 yr	2028
1	Student SRC rep (VP Acad-Ext)	Lily Rich	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Student (Graduate)	VACANT	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Student SRC rep (Arts)	Elizabeth Bettenson	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Student SRC rep (Prof. St)	VACANT	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Student SRC rep (Science)	Celine Hoyeck	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Student (Theology)	Remmi Boisjoli	1 yr	May 2026-April 2027
1	Lay person	Oliver Jacob	3 yr	2028
1	Lay person	Howard Williams	3 yr	2027
1	Mi'kmaw Lay person	VACANT	3 yr	2029

CURRENT VOTING MEMBERS = 53

CURRENT QUORUM = 27

Note: The position of Chair is open to ex officio members of Senate, Senators, and Faculty members who are not Senators. Should an ex officio member of Senate be elected as Chairperson, there shall be no adjustment to the composition of Senate; should a Faculty member of Senate be elected as Chairperson, a replacement member shall be elected from the Faculty to which the Chair belongs; should a member from the Faculty at large be elected, there shall be no adjustment to the composition of Senate.

Procedures for Appointment:

Chairperson—Nominated by Senate Nominating Committee after a call to Senate and all Faculty. Elected by Senate in May to begin term in July

Deputy-Chair - Nominated by Senate Nominating Committee, after a call to all Senators. Elected by Senate in May to begin term in July

Board of Governors - three representatives nominated and elected by BOG, term expires on September 30 of each year. Faculty:

Pure and Applied Science - Six departments choose their representative by consensus. The three schools of Applied Science, Computer Science, and Nutrition and Dietetics have by tradition been represented by their Directors, and the Constitution of the FPAS states that they should be represented by their Directors. HOWEVER, the Senate Constitution, Appendix A: Membership, 7:3, which is based on the Acadia Act, states that "each School shall be guaranteed one place on Senate, the appointee to be named by the School concerned and chosen in a manner determined by the individual schools". As the Senate Constitution is what determines Senate membership, individual Schools could decide to choose a representative other than the Director if they wished, notwithstanding the FPAS Constitution. The FPAS Constitution should likely be changed to bring it into line with the Senate Constitution.

Arts - Nine members are elected within the Faculty of Arts.

Professional Studies –The Faculty of Professional Studies has ten (10) members of Senate. They are: The Dean of the Faculty (permanent member). The Unit Heads of each academic unit in the Faculty of Professional Studies (ex- officio members). The remaining members shall be elected through a broader call to the Faculty of Professional Studies.

Theology - one member elected from within the Faculty of Theology

Professional Librarian - one representative nominated and elected by Professional Librarians

Lay People – One Mi'kmaw Lay Person nominated by the Mi'kmaq Bands in the community and two members nominated by the Senate Nominating Committee after a call to all Senators, Faculty, and staff, and elected by Senate. They must not be eligible for membership in Senate in any of the other roles or categories, and must not be full-time employees of Acadia.

Graduate Student - chosen by the Graduate Students' Association

SRC Student reps - chosen by the Acadia Students' Representative Council. By tradition, one has been the Student V-P Academic, and one has been chosen to represent each of the faculties of Arts, Pure and Applied Sciences, and Professional Studies. However, the exact nature of these four representatives is up to the SRC, and is not mandated by Senate.

Theology Student rep – normally chosen by the Acadia Divinity College Student Association; if that group is not able to make an appointment in a timely fashion in a given year, the position may be chosen by the Dean of Theology.

Makeup of Senate (59 positions, including Deputy Chair; number of members may be fewer in any given year, if one person occupies more than one role)

Chair	Nine from Faculty of Arts
Chancellor	Nine from Faculty of Professional Studies
President	Nine from Faculty of Pure and Applied Science
Provost and Vice-President, Academic	One from Faculty of Theology
Vice-President, Enrolment and Student Services (non-voting)	One Professional Librarian
Vice-President, Finance & Admin (non-voting)	<i>(Note, one of the 29 elected faculty members of Senate shall also serve in the position of Deputy Chair)</i>
Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning Innovations	Three from Board of Governors
Associate Vice President Research and Dean of Graduate Studies	Two Lay People
Registrar as Secretary (Non-voting)	One Mi'kmaw Lay Person
Dean, Arts	President, Student Union
Dean, Pure and Applied Sciences	Four SRC Student
Dean, Professional Studies	RepresentativesOne Graduate
Dean, Theology	Student
Dean, Libraries and Archives	One Theology Student

Chair Faculty Council – VACANT (2026-2027)
Vice-Chair of Faculty – VACANT (2026-2027)
Faculty Elections Officer – Paul Arnold (2026-2027)
Secretary to Faculty Council – VACANT (2026-2027)
Faculty of Arts Elections Officer – Stephen Henderson (2024-2027)
Faculty of Arts Nominating Chair – VACANT (2026-2029)
Faculty of Pure and Applied Science Elections Officer – Paul Arnold (2026-2029)
Faculty of Pure and Applied Science Nominating Chair – Ann Smith (2024-2027)
Faculty of Professional Studies Elections Officer – Christianne Rushton (2026-2027)
Faculty of Theology – Anna Robbins (ex officio, President of ADC and Dean of Faculty of Theology)

Committee: **Senate Executive**

(1) and

Membership (15)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Chair of Senate	Anna Kiefte	ex-officio	--	
1 Deputy Chair of Senate	Christianne Rushton	ex-officio	--	
1 President	Jeff Hennessy	ex-officio	--	
1 Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of P&A Sc.	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Prof. St.	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio	--	
1 Associate VP AP&GS	Kate Ashley	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Library and Archives	Jennifer Richard	ex-officio	--	
1 Registrar (<i>non-voting</i>)	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Theology (Theology only)	Anna Robbins	ex-officio	--	
1 Student Vice-President Academic	Lily Rich	ex-officio	--	
1 Faculty Senator (Arts)	Marc Ramsay	1 yr	2027	
1 Faculty Senator (Science)	Darcy Benoit	1 yr	2027	
1 Faculty Senator (Prof.Stud.)	VACANT	1 yr	2027	

Chair: **Chair of Senate—Anna Kiefte (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment: Senate representatives are nominated by the Nominating Committee, with further nominations from Senate, and elected by Senate.

Committee: **Academic Integrity Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to advocate for any additional resources that are necessary and appropriate to support effective proctoring of tests and examinations, plagiarism detection software, campus awareness programs, etc.;
- (2) to recommend practical and technical measures to deter and detect cheating and plagiarism;
- (3) to monitor University policy on cheating and plagiarism and to recommend any changes deemed necessary;
- (4) to promote uniform procedures across campus for reporting cheating and plagiarism;
- (5) to oversee a Registry in the Registrar's Office of reported incidences of penalties applied for cheating and plagiarism in order to deter repeated offences; and
- (6) to review as necessary policy and procedures in other Canadian universities and to act as a liaison with outside organizations as appropriate.

Membership (5)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement Period
1 Registrar	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1 Arts	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1 Prof. St.	Tristan DeBorba	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Darcy Benoit	3 yr	2027	
Dean of Libraries and Archives (or delegate)	Jennifer Richard	3 yr	2028	
1 Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027	

Chair: **VACANT (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: **Academic Planning Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Mandate:

The Academic Planning Committee shall make recommendations to Senate on matters relating to academic principles and planning.

In carrying out its work, the Committee shall consult widely with all stakeholders and relevant bodies on campus. The APC shall report regularly to Senate, no less than two times per year.

	Membership (10)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement Period
1	Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio	--	
1	AVP AP&GS	Kate Ashley	ex-officio	--	
1	Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio	--	
1	Dean of Prof. Studies	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio	--	
1	Dean of P&A Science	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio	--	
1	Dean of Libraries and Archives	Jennifer Richard	ex-officio	--	
1	Faculty Member from FPS	Janna Wentzell	3 yr	2029	
1	Faculty Member from FPAS	Jeff Banks	3 yr	2027	
1	Faculty Member from IDST Prog	VACANT	3 yr	2028	
1	Faculty Member from FA	Jeffrey Sachs	3 yr	2028	
1	Student VPA/E	Lily Rich	1 yr	2027	

Chair: **Provost and Vice-President Academic – Ashlee Cunsolo (2026-2027)**

**Initial term is 1 or 2 years to stagger retirements going forward.*

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty members - elected from the Faculty as a whole**

Student – VP Academic, appointed by the Student Representative Council

***Faculty members include instructors, lecturers, librarians, archivists and professors. They shall be elected by a general call for nominations from the Faculty Elections Officer.*

Committee: **Academic Program Review Committee (APRC)**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to determine policy and procedures for conducting program reviews;
- (2) to determine annually which academic units are to be reviewed;
- (3) to select the members of each unit review committee;
- (4) to oversee the process of review in each case;
- (5) to make recommendations to Senate on the basis of the findings of each unit review committee;
- (6) to deal with such matters as Senate may from time to time entrust to the Committee.

Membership (6 + 1)		Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement Period
1	Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio	--	
1	Academic Program Development, Quality Assurance, and Planning Coordinator (<i>non-voting</i>)	Shawna Singleton	ex-officio		
1	Registrar or Delegate	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1	Arts	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1	Prof. St.	Krissy Keech	3 yr	2027	
1	P&A Sc.	Craig Bennett	3 yr	2028	
1	Board of Governors	VACANT	3 yr	2028	
1	Dean of Faculty under review (Arts)	David Duke	--	--	
1	Dean of Faculty under review (Professional Studies)	Jeff Hooper	--	--	
1	Dean of Faculty under review (Pure and Applied Science)	Corinne Haigh	--	--	
1	ASU VPA/E	Lily Rich			2027

Chair: **Provost and Vice-President Academic – Ashlee Cunsolo (2026-2027)** Secretary: **Registrar – Mark Bishop**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: **Admissions and Academic Standing (Appeals) Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties: to hear appeals against academic regulations or the interpretation of such regulations that have not been resolved at the Departmental, School, or Faculty level or through the Registrar's Office.

Membership (11)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Chair of Senate	Anna Kieffe	ex-officio	--	
1 Registrar or Delegate (<i>non-voting</i>)	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1 Executive Director of Student Services or delegate (<i>non-voting</i>)	James Sanford	ex-officio	--	
1 Arts	Stephen Henderson	3 yr	2028	
1 Arts	James Sedgwick	3 yr	2027	
1 Prof. St.	Jeff Torbert	3 yr	2027	
1 Prof. St.	Janet Dymment	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Ying Zhang	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Anna Redden	3 yr	2028	
1 Theology	Anna Robbins	ex-officio	--	
1 Student (ASU VPA/E)	Lily Rich	1 yr	2027	

Chair: **Chair of Senate – Anna Kieffe (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: **Admissions and Academic Standing (Policy) Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties: to interpret and to apply the conditions of admissions and academic standing as outlined in the University Calendar and to make recommendations to Senate with respect to policy as it relates to admissions, failures, and academic regulations.

Membership (14)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio	--	
1 Registrar	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of P&A Sc.	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio	--	
1 Dean of Prof. St.	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio	--	
1 Arts (Head or Director)	Can Mutlu	3 yr	2029	
1 Arts	Stephen Ahern	3 yr	2027	
1 Prof. St. (Head or Director)	Darren Kruisselbrink	3 yr	2027	
1 Prof. St.	Ayman Aljarrah	3 yr	2028	
1 P&A Sc. (Head or Director)	Richard Karsten	3 yr	2027	
1 P&A Sc.	Paul Arnold	3 yr	2028	
1 Theology (voting on Theology matters only)	VACANT	3 yr	2026	
1 Student (ASU VPA/E)	Lily Rich	1 yr	2026	

Chair: **Provost and Vice-President Academic – Ashlee Cunsolo (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: **Archives Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

As representatives of their various constituents, members of the Senate Archives Committee will work collaboratively:

- (1) to advise and guide on long-term and short-term directions that are consistent with the mandate and strategic direction of the Archives;
- (2) to advocate for the Archives within the University, the Convention of the Atlantic Baptist Churches and the local community;
- (3) to make an annual report;
- (4) to address other Archives-related issues that shall arise from time to time;
- (5) to support academic activity.

Membership (13)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Replacement
1 Archivist	Ciaran Purdome		ex-officio	
1 Archivist	Wendy Robicheau		ex-officio	
1 Dean of Libraries and Archives	Jennifer Richard		ex-officio	
1 Arts	VACANT	3 yr	2026	<i>Sabbatical replacement for J. Rombough July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027</i>
1 Arts	Jon Saklofske	3 yr	2027	
1 Arts	Marina Davidson	3 yr	2028	
1 Prof. St.	Alicia Noreiga- Mundaroy	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Deanne van Rooyen	3 yr	2029	
1 Theology	Melody Maxwell	3 yr	2027	
1 Alumni Appointee	VACANT	3 yr	2028	
1 Presidential Appointee	Catherine Fancy	3 yr	2028	
1 Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada	Shirley Soleil Day	3 yr	2028	
1 Student (Graduate or Honours)	VACANT	1 yr	2026	

Chair: **VACANT (2026-2027)**Secretary: **Kelly Bennett**

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Student: Appointed by the Acadia Students Union, preferably a graduate student or a fourth year Honours student. Various

Representatives: Appointed by Alumni, President, Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada

Committee: **Awards Committee for Honorary Degrees and Emeriti Distinction
(Awards Committee)**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Purpose: The purpose of the Awards Committee for Honorary Degrees and Emeriti Distinction (Awards Committee) is to:

1. Invite nominations for Honorary Doctorate degrees and Professors, Librarian, Archivist and Instructor Emeriti awards.
2. Adjudicate the nominations; and recommend nominees thereon to Senate.

Membership (8)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave	
				Replacement	Period
1 President	Jeff Hennessy	ex-officio	--		
1 Arts	Erin Patterson	3 yr	2027		
1 Prof. St.	Janet Dymment	3 yr	2028		
1 P&A Sc.	Deanne van Rooyen	3 yr	2029		
1 Acadia Divinity College/Theology	VACANT	3 yr	2029		
1 Librarian/Archivist	Ann Smith	3 yr	2027		
1 Governor or Senator (lay member)	Rob McGregor	3 yr	2027		
1 Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027		

Chair: **President – Jeff Hennessy (2026-2027)**

Secretary: **Executive Assistant to the Office of the President – Natalie Weekes**

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Librarian/Archivist: Nominated and elected by librarians/archivists.-

Governor or Senator: Appointed by the Board.

Student: Appointed by the Student Representative Council.

Committee: **Board of Open Acadia**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties: to formulate, review and modify policy pertaining to the operation and enhancement of the program in Continuing Education at Acadia University.

	Membership (7)	Representative	Term	Retirement Leave Replacement Period
1	Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio	--
1	Director of Open Acadia	Lauren Wilson Finniss	ex-officio	--
				<i>*Vice-Provost Curriculum and Planning filling in while Director of Open Acadia position is vacant</i>
1	Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio	--
1	Dean of P&A Sc.	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio	--
1	Dean of Prof. St.	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio	--
1	Registrar or Delegate	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--
1	Student	Lily Rich	1 yr	2027
1	Part-time student	VACANT	1 yr	2027

Chair: **Provost and Vice-President Academic – Ashlee Cunsolo (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Student: Nominated by Open Acadia to the SRC for approval and appointment.

Committee: **By-Laws Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to incorporate, on an annual basis, any changes to the By-laws of Senate occasioned by the decisions and operations of Senate;
- (2) to review any changes to the By-laws of Faculty and Faculty Councils prior to their presentation to Senate and recommend any revisions or additions deemed necessary;
- (3) to conduct periodic reviews of the By-laws of the Senate, Faculty and Faculty Councils and recommend any changes or additions deemed necessary. These reviews should be staggered such that the By-laws of each of these bodies are reviewed at a minimum every five years;
- (4) to monitor the evolution of the academic committees and to recommend changes to the committee structure of Faculty Councils and other bodies at the University for which it is responsible;
- (5) to deal with any other matters which Senate might refer to the Committee.

Membership (3)		Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement	Period
1	Arts (Senator)	Jesse Carlson	3 yr	2028		
1	Prof. St. (Senator)	VACANT	3 yr	2029		
1	P&A Sc. (Senator)	Holger Teismann	3 yr	2027		
1	Theology (Senator)	Danny Zacharias	3 yr	2028		

Chair: **VACANT (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by Senate. All members must be members of Senate.

Committee: **Curriculum Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

(1) The duties of the Curriculum Committee shall be:

- 1) To oversee and coordinate all proposed changes in undergraduate degree, certificate, and diploma requirements, including interaction with originators, and to make recommendations to Senate concerning such changes.
- 2) To consider all proposed changes in undergraduate courses from all departments, schools, or individual faculty members, including interaction with the originators, and to make recommendations to Senate concerning such changes.
- 3) To develop and recommend policies to ensure that the undergraduate curriculum is delivered and administered consistently across all faculties.
- 4) To investigate and support innovative and alternative methods of curriculum delivery and make policy recommendations to Senate accordingly.
- 5) To evaluate, revise, and support the implementation of Senate-approved curriculum policies in a coherent and coordinated manner.
- 6) To identify and address issues arising from curriculum proposals or policy changes, referring matters to relevant bodies when necessary.
- 7) To collaborate with the Registrar's Office in the production and review of the annual Calendar, including program of study and course listing sections.
- 8) To consider and act on such matters as may be referred to the Committee by Senate.

Membership of the Curriculum Committee shall be elected in accordance with Article VI. 1. and shall be as follows:

Membership (11)		Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement	Period
1	Registrar or Delegate (non-voting)	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--		
1	Associate Registrar or Delegate (non-voting)	Hayley van Kroonenburg	ex-officio	--		
1	Vice-Provost Curriculum and Planning (non-voting)	Lauren Wilson Finniss	ex-officio	--		
1	The Academic Programming, Quality Assurance, and Planning Coordinator (non-voting)	Shawna Singleton	ex-officio	--		
1	Dean of Libraries and Archives	Jennifer Richard	ex-officio	--		
1	Arts	VACANT	3 yr	2029		
1	Arts	Liam Swiss	3 yr	2028		
1	Prof. St.	Jeff Torbert	3 yr	2027		
1	Prof. St.	VACANT	3 yr	2026		
1	P&A Sc.	Melanie Coombs	3 yr	2027		
1	P&A Sc.	Eva Curry	3 yr	2028		
1	P&A Sc.	Andy Mitchell	3 yr	2028		
1	Theology	Christopher Killacky	3 yr	2027		
1	Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027		

Co-Chairs: **VACANT** (Administrative) & **VACANT** (Policy) (2026-2027) Recording Secretary: Eva Curry

Co-chairs elected from the Faculty Representatives (one each primarily responsible for administrative/policy issues, respectively)

**Initial term is 1 or 2 years to stagger retirements going forward.*

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: Disability Policy Committee

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to monitor the implementation of the Acadia University Disability Policy.
- (2) to conduct an annual review of the Acadia University Disability Policy and if necessary, recommend to Senate amendments to the policy;
- (3) to deal with any other matters which Senate might refer to the Committee.

Membership (8)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1	Disability Resource Facilitator or Delegate	Gillian Hastey	ex-officio	--
1	Academic Support Coordinator or Delegate	Marissa McIsaac	ex-officio	--
1	Registrar or Delegate	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--
1	Arts	Becky Casey	3 yr	2028
1	Professional Studies	Shelley Price	3 yr	2028
1	Science	Richard Karsten	3 yr	2027
1	Theology	VACANT	3 yr	2029
1	Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027

Chair: VACANT (2026-2027)

Secretary: VACANT

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty

Student: Appointed by the Student Representative Council

Committee: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee (EDI)

Type: Standing

Status: Active

This Committee is currently in transition and development

Duties:

- a) to address, with campus partners, recommendations outlined in the “Senate Ad Hoc Diversity and Inclusion Committee Final Report” (October, 2018);
- b) to help elevate the voice of under-represented and marginalized communities at Acadia University Senate meetings;
- c) to advocate for best practices surrounding equity, diversity and inclusion in an academic setting;
- d) to engage in ongoing consultation with groups, programs, departments, committees, and individuals across the campus who have a unique stake in the equity, diversity and inclusiveness of the Acadia University community;
- e) to collect further recommendations on equity, diversity and inclusion initiatives on campus and oversee their coordination;
- f) to consider national and international trends in equity, diversity and inclusion policy development;
- g) and to support efforts on campus to develop and implement policies that further equity, diversity and inclusion at Acadia University.

The membership of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Committee shall be elected in accordance with Article VI. 1. The Nominating Committee is encouraged to invite and recruit members from marginalized or under-represented communities. Elected members are to be elected by their respective faculties and shall be as follows:

Membership (16)		Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement Period
1	Provost &VPA or AVP IDEA	Lerato Chondoma	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Accessible Learning Coordinator (or designate)	Emily Duffett	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Campus Equity Officer	VACANT	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Coord. of Indigenous Affairs & Student Advising	Zabrina Whitman	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Director of the International Student Centre	Janet Harnum	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Black Student Advisor	Janique Ellis Panza	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Black Students' Association President	VACANT	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Indigenous Student Society of Acadia President	VACANT	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	International Student Society President	VACANT	<i>ex officio</i>		
1	Member of Faculty of Pure & Applied Science	Daniel Blustein	*3 yr	2027	
1	Member of Faculty of Arts	Barry Watson	*3 yr	2028	
1	Member of Faculty of Theology	Grace Au	*3 yr	2026	
1	Member of Faculty of Professional Studies	Kristin Williams	*3 yr	2026	
1	ASU Diversity and Inclusion Representative	VACANT	1 yr	2026	
1	ASU Pride or Women's Centre Coordinator	VACANT	1 yr	2026	
1	Student disability representative	VACANT	1 yr	2026	

Chair: VACANT (2026-2027)

The Chair of this committee shall be elected from among the committee members

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

ASU Diversity and Inclusion Representative: Appointed by ASU

ASU Pride or Women's Centre Coordinator: Appointed by ASU

Student disability representative: Appointed by the Acadia Students Union

*In order to stagger the terms, the initial terms for the four faculties-appointed positions will be 2 years for Pure and Applied Science, 3 years for Arts, 4 years for Theology, 5 years for Professional Studies. After the initial period these terms will revert to 3 years.

Committee: Faculty of Acadia University Council

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Mission Statement:

Duties:

the Faculty shall, at its discretion, give consideration and make recommendations to Senate on any and all matters pertaining to academic policy.

b) the Faculty may, if it so desires, express opinions on all affairs of Acadia University (sometimes referred to herein as “the University”).

c) the Faculty shall recommend to the Senate of Acadia University (sometimes referred to herein as “the Senate”) the names of all students who are to be admitted to graduate and undergraduate degrees and diplomas.

d) the Faculty may, at the request of the Board of Governors or the Senate, carry out any duties or function which either of the aforesaid bodies may refer to it.

e) the Faculty shall not carry on any venture for the purpose of financial gain for its members.

Membership	Representative	Term
1 President	Jeff Hennessy	ex-officio --
1 Provost & VPA	Ashlee Cunsolo	ex-officio --
1 Vice-President, Student Experience	Scott Duguay	ex-officio --
1 Registrar (<i>non-voting</i>)	Mark Bishop	ex-officio --
1 Faculty Elections Officer	Paul Arnold	ex-officio --
1 Dean of Arts	David Duke	ex-officio --
1 Dean of P&A Sc.	Jeff Hooper	ex-officio --
1 Dean of Prof. St.	Corinne Haigh	ex-officio --
1 Dean of Libraries and Archives	Jennifer Richard	ex-officio --
1 Associate VP AP&GS	Kate Ashley	ex-officio --
1 Dean of Theology	Anna Robbins	ex-officio --
1 Director of the Acadia Art Gallery	Laurie Dalton	ex-officio --
1 Director of School of Kinesiology	Darren Kruisselbrink	ex-officio --
1 Director of School of Education	Ayman Aljarrah	ex-officio
1 Director of School of Business	Edith Callaghan	ex-officio Acting Director
1 Director of School of Music	Christianne Rushton	ex-officio --
1 Director of School of ComputerScience	Darcy Benoit	ex-officio --
1 Director of School of Engineering	Scott Bishop	ex-officio --
1 Director of School of Nutrition &Dietetics (Interim)	Liesel Carlsson	ex-officio --
1 ASU Student (ASU VPA/E)	Lily Rich	ex-officio --

All members of the Faculty Acadia University (a person who has an academic appointment at Acadia University as above, and Professors, Lecturers, Instructors, Librarians, PADs, and those with per course appointments).

Chair: Elected by the Acadia Faculty members: **VACANT** (2026-2027)

Vice-Chair: Elected by the Acadia Faculty members: **VACANT** (2026-2027)

Secretary: Elected by the Acadia Faculty members: **VACANT** (2026-2027)

Committee: Faculty Support Committee

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Mission Statement:

To contribute to the success and development of Acadia University Faculty in teaching, use of academic technologies, and overall professional development.

Duties:

- (1) to advocate for teaching and learning resources for faculty
- (2) to collect input from all stakeholders to develop and submit policy recommendations to Senate regarding academic technologies
- (3) to collect faculty ideas and develop suggestions to meet faculty development needs
- (4) to promote teaching excellence on campus and aid in the selection processes for the submission of Acadia faculty for internal and external teaching awards
- (5) to consider such matters as Senate may from time to time entrust to the Committee

	Membership (9)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Replacement Period
1	Vice-Provost Curriculum and Planning	Lauren Wilson Finniss	ex-officio		
1	Association of Atlantic Universities FDC rep	Darcy Benoit	ex-officio		
1	Coordinator of Academic Technologies	Sharon Churchill-Roe	ex-officio		
1	Arts	Anna Wilks	3 yr	2028	
1	Prof. St.	Paul Lauzon	3 yr	2027	
1	P & A Sc.	Darcy Benoit	3 yr	2029	
1	Theology	Steven Porter	3 yr	2027	
1	Librarian/Archivist	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1	Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027	

**Initial term is 1 or 2 years to stagger retirements going forward.*

Procedures for Appointment

Chair: **Vice-Provost Curriculum and Planning – Lauren Wilson Finniss (2026-2027)** Secretary:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty

Librarian/Archivist: nominated and elected by the Librarians and Archivists in Research Services

Student: Appointed by the ASU VP Academic

Committee: **Graduate Studies**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

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Membership (17)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Associate VP AP&GS	Kate Ashley	ex-officio	--	
1 Graduate Studies Officer (<i>non-voting</i>)	Theresa Starratt	ex-officio		
1 Program Coordinator (Psychology)	Anne Sophie Champod	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Biology)	Mark Mallory	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Comp Sc)	Sazia Mahfuz	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (English)	Kait Pinder	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Educ Ph.D)	Ahlam Rahal	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Education)	Deborah Toope	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Kine)	Matthew Vierimaa	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Politics)	Inna Viriasova	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Comm Dev)	Glyn Bissix	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Sociology)	Sarah Rudrum	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Math/ Stats)	Franklin Mendivil	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (ENVS)	Nelson O'Driscoll	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Geology)	Deanne van Rooyen	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Chemistry)	Nicoletta Faraone	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Theology)	Steven Porter	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Applied Geomatics)	Mo Snyder	ex-officio	--	
1 Program Coordinator (Social & Political Thought)	Jesse Carlson	ex-officio		
1 Graduate Student (Arts)	VACANT	1 yr		2027
1 Graduate Student (Prof. St.)	Lalitha Prasad	1 yr		2027
1 Graduate Student (P&A Sc.)	Lucy van Haaften	1 yr		2027
1 Graduate Student (Theology)	VACANT	1 yr		2027

*Sabbatical replacement for G. Donnelly
July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027*

Chair: **Vice-Provost, Academic Policy & Graduate Studies – Kate Ashley (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Graduate coordinator of each graduate program within each of the four faculties

Students: Four graduate students, one from each faculty, appointed by the Acadia Graduate Students Association or Acadia Divinity College Student Association.

Committee: **Honours Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to review policies governing Honours theses regularly and to recommend changes to Senate as necessary;
- (2) to establish and oversee the process of evaluation for Honours theses;
- (3) to establish and oversee the internal adjudication process for Acadia's in-course Honours student applicants to external scholarship funds, summer research awards;
- (4) to establish and oversee the adjudication process for Acadia University's awards to honours students;
- (5) to make recommendations to the Research Committee to enhance research programs and opportunities for undergraduate students;
- (6) to consider Honours Program applications not routinely accepted by the Registrar (i.e. special cases, appeals);
- (7) to consider and respond to Honours program matters referred to it by undergraduate students, faculty members, Departments, Schools, Faculties, the VP Academic or by the Senate of Acadia University;
- (8) to make recommendations to Senate for modification of the regulations respecting Honours programs;
- (9) to consider such other matters as Senate may from time to time entrust to the Committee;
- (10) to identify needs and provide for educational opportunities for honours students beyond specific degree programs.

Membership (8)	Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement	Period
1 Associate VP APGS (or designate)	Kate Ashley	ex-officio	--		
1 Registrar (or designate)	Hayley van Kroonenburg	ex-officio	--		
1 Arts	Xiaoting Wang	3 yr	2029		
1 Arts	Kevin Whetter	3 yr	2027		
1 Prof. St.	Kelly Dye	3 yr	2029		
1 Prof. St.	Lauren Lattimer	3 yr	2028		
1 P&A Sc.	Matthew McSweeney	3 yr	2027		
1 P&A Sc.	Esteve Hassan	3 yr	2029		
1 Honours Student (Arts)	VACANT	1 yr	2027		
1 Honours Student (Prof. St.)	VACANT	1 yr	2027		
1 Honours Student (P&A Sc.)	VACANT	1 yr	2027		

Chair: **VACANT (2026-2027)****Initial term is 1 or 2 years to stagger retirements going forward.*

Secretary: Kevin Whetter

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Students: engaged in research, appointed under the aegis of the Students' Representative

Council.Note: Members must come from departments offering honours programs.

Committee: **Nominating Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to nominate for the April meeting of Senate the Chairperson and Deputy Chair of Senate, for election by Senate in May, to take office the following July;
- (2) to nominate for the May meeting of Senate, to be elected by Senate and take office in July:
 - a) candidates to fill the non-ex *officio* positions on the Executive Committee of Senate;
 - b) candidates to fill annual vacancies designated for the Senate on ad hoc and standing committees of Senate;
 - d) lay persons to be members of Senate;
 - e) a person to fill the office of Faculty Elections Officer
- (3) to act upon such other matters as may from time-to-time be referred to it by Senate;
- (4) in extraordinary circumstances dictated by time constraints, the Nominating Committee will recommend to the Executive Committee of Senate, the name(s) of a Senator(s) to specific-Senate and/or other University Committees.

Process of Nomination and Election for Faculty:

- (1) issue a call for nominations from eligible members for all vacant positions. All nominations must be accompanied by an agreement to serve if elected;
- (2) in a case where no nominations are forthcoming, or if the Committee so desires, determine potential candidates based on their qualifications, availability, other committee loads, administrative loads, interests, etc;
- (3) whenever possible, present a slate of nominations to Senate where final nominations will be accepted and an election will be held. Nominees may submit a short statement outlining their interest in and relevant experience/expertise for a position.

Membership (7)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 President (<i>non-voting</i>)	Jeff Hennessy	ex-officio	--	
1 Arts (Senator)	Paul Doerr	3 yr	2029	
1 Arts	Anna Wilks	3 yr	2027	<i>Sabbatical replacement for H. Moussa July – December 2026</i>
1 P&A Sc. (Senator)	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Jen Kershaw	3 yr	2029	
1 Prof. St. (Senator)	Nicholas D'Amato	3 yr	2029	
1 Prof. St.	Maddie Gallant	3 yr	2028	
1 Theology	VACANT	3 yr	2027	

Chair: **VACANT (2026-2027), as selected by committee**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Faculty members are nominated and elected within each Faculty. Senate members are elected by Senate with elections carried out by the Secretary to Senate.

Committee: **Research**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to develop policies and programs that encourage and support faculty, graduate, and undergraduate research at Acadia University
- (2) to establish and oversee the adjudication process for Acadia University's internal research funds, excluding the University Research Fund (Article 25.55)
- (3) to establish, propose to Senate for approval and subsequently to implement a consultative process for regular reviews of the Acadia University Strategic Research Plan
- (4) to encourage and facilitate interaction among Acadia's researchers, community members, community organizations, government and industry in order to expand and enhance research collaboration and dissemination
- (5) to consider and respond to research matters referred to it by graduate students, faculty members, Departments, Schools, Faculties, the VP Academic or by the Senate of Acadia University
- (6) to receive the annual reports of Research Centres for submission to Senate
- (7) to consider any other matters of policy relating to research, and any other matters referred to it by Faculty, Vice-President (Academic), Senate, or Board of Governors

Membership (10)		Representative	Term	Retirement	Leave Replacement	Period
1	Vice-Provost Research and Innovation	Peter Ludlow	ex-officio	--		
1	Arts	Liam Swiss	3 yr	2028		
1	Prof. St.	Rene Murphy	3 yr	2029	<i>Sydney Breneol Sab rep. for R. Murphy - Winter 2027</i>	
1	P&A Sc.	Iain Beaton	3 yr	2027		
1	Theology	Spencer Boersma	3 yr	2028		
1	Librarian	VACANT	3 yr	2029		
1	Canada Research Chair	Mark Mallory	3 yr	2028		
1	Director of a Research Centre	VACANT	3 yr	2029		
1	Graduate Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027		
1	Undergraduate (Honours) Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027		

Chair: **Vice-Provost Research and Innovation—Peter Ludlow (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment:

Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty

Canada Research Chair: Elected by the Canada Research Chairs

Graduate Student: Elected by the Canada Research Chairs

Undergraduate Student: engaged in research, appointed under the aegis of the Students' Representative Council.

Research Centre Director: chosen by the Directors

Professional Librarian: elected by professional librarians at Acadia University

Committee: Research Ethics Board

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to adopt, interpret and implement the principles, protocols and procedures outlined in the Tri-Council Policy Statement, "Ethical Conduct of Research Involving Humans," as they pertain to the types of research and related activity conducted by employees, faculty, students and researchers associated with Acadia University;
- (2) to establish and supervise a process to review research proposals referred to it in a regular and timely manner so that researchers are not compromised in their ability to initiate their research programmes. The Research Ethics Board shall approve, reject, propose modifications to, or terminate any proposed or ongoing research involving human subjects which is conducted within, or by members of, Acadia University, using considerations set forth in the Tri-Council Policy Statement, "ethical Conduct of Research Involving Humans";
- (3) to communicate the Tri-Council Policy Statement and its implications (and any future modifications to the Tri-Council Policy Statement) to all employees, faculty, students and researchers associated with Acadia University;
- (4) to serve in a reciprocal relation, acting as the Appeal Board for Mount Allison University's REB;
- (5) to provide to Senate, through its Chair, an annual report of its activities. The report should address:
 - a. its policies for the training of members, appointment of Ad Hoc advisors, and other key operating decisions as required by the TCPS and implemented by the REB, and
 - b. appeals, interpretive matters for which the REB has sought guidance from the Canadian Secretariat on Research Ethics, and any other matters out of the ordinary with which the Board has dealt with over the reported period;
- (6) to consider such matters as may from time to time be referred to it.

Quorum for meetings – five voting members, one of which must be one of the two community members.

Membership (9)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Vice-Provost Research and Innovation (Non-voting)	Peter Ludlow	ex-officio	--	
1 Faculty/Ethics (Chair)	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1 Arts	Rachel Brickner	3 yr	2028	
1 P&A Sc.	Matthew Orr	3 yr	2028	
1 Prof. St.	Ryan MacNeil	3 yr	2029	
1 Theology	VACANT	3 yr	2028	
1 Community Member with no affiliation with Acadia University and not currently engaged in scientific, legal, or academic work	Michael Jeffrey	3 yr	2027	
	Shon Whitney	3 yr	2027	
1 Community Member who has legal knowledge, but with no affiliation with Acadia University	Cheri Lynn Killam	3 yr	2026	
1 Graduate Student (Non-voting)	VACANT	1 yr	2026	

Chair: **Faculty Member Knowledgeable in Ethics – Stephanie Jones (until 2026)**

Membership on the Research Ethics Board shall include both men and women.

Members from the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Professional Studies, the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science, and the Faculty of Theology to have with broad expertise in the methods or in the areas of research that are covered by the REB.

Dean of Research and Graduate Studies to serve as a non-voting member who shall act as liaison to the Senate Research Committee, the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, and Senate.

Committee: **Research Ethics Board**, cont'd

Procedures for Appointment (as terms expire):

Chair: Elected through the Office of the Faculty Elections Officer

Faculty: Nominated by and elected within each Faculty

Graduate Student: Appointed by the Graduate Student Association. In the event the Graduate Student Association is not able to select a representative in a timely fashion in a given year, the appointment shall be made by the Student Representative Council.

1 Community Member: no affiliation with Acadia University, nominated by the Nominating Committee 1

Community Member: no affiliation with Acadia University and has legal knowledge, nominated by the Nominating Committee

Committee: Scholarships, Prizes and Awards Committee (SPAC)

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) To decide policy and process by which recipients of scholarships, prizes, bursaries, scholar-bursaries, awards, and convocation medals are to be selected and to gather all information it considers necessary for the selection;
- (2) To select the recipients of undergraduate entrance scholarships, prizes, and awards and some in-course scholarships, prizes, and awards;
- (3) To periodically review the scholarships, prizes, and awards program and to recommend improvements (increased funds, new scholarships, more prizes, etc.) to those involved in the program;
- (4) To promote interest in the scholarship program;
- (5) To consider such other matters as the Senate may from time to time entrust to the Committee.

Quorum: 6 with at least 1 member from each faculty

Membership (11)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Registrar or Delegate	Kim Rhymes	ex-officio	--	
1 Financial Aid Counselor	VACANT	ex-officio	--	
1 Arts	Marina Davidson	3 yr	2028	
1 Arts	Emily Lockhart	3 yr	2029	
1 Prof. St.	Scott Landry	3 yr	2027	
1 Prof. St.	Wenxia Guo	3 yr	2028	
1 P&A Sc.	Jennie Rand	3 yr	2027	
1 P&A Sc.	Iain Beaton	3 yr	2029	
1 Student (Arts)	VACANT	1 yr	2027	
1 Student (Science)	VACANT	1 yr	2027	
1 Student (Prof Studies)	VACANT	1 yr	2027	

Chair: VACANT (2026-2027) Secretary: VACANT

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Students: Appointed by the Student Representative Council.

Sub-Committees:

(1) Bursary and Loan Committee

- 1 Registrar or Delegate
- 1 Financial Aid Counselor
- 1 Manager of Student Accounts
- 1 ASU VP Academic
- 1 SPAC faculty member and alternate (faculty member)

(2) Awards and Appeals Committee

- 1 Registrar or Delegate
- 1 Financial Aid Counselor
- 1 Chair of SPAC
- 1 SPAC faculty member in different faculty than Chair

Committee: **Timetable, Instruction Hours, and Examination Committee**

Type: Standing

Status: Active

Duties:

- (1) to communicate the approved rules on instruction hours to all members of Faculty before the end of August of each academic year;
- (2) to recommend to Senate the approval of special requests as it deems valid, with supporting reasons;
- (3) to recommend to Senate new or modified policies and regulations pertaining to instruction hours;
- (4) to publish in the spring of each academic year, a time, a place and schedule of classes for the following year;
- (5) to make such amendments and corrections as may be deemed necessary in the timetable throughout the year;
- (6) to make recommendations concerning any changes in the scheduling of courses which, in its judgment, will more efficiently utilize the physical plant of the university without compromising academic needs;
- (7) to publish a timetable for December and April examinations;
- (8) to ensure that proper examination procedures are carried out;
- (9) to consider and to rule on all individual cases that may arise in the course of examination procedures and may deserve special consideration;
- (10) to recommend to Senate by the January meeting in each year the dates for the following academic year.

Membership (7)	Representative	Term	Leave	
			Retirement	Replacement Period
1 Registrar or Delegate	Mark Bishop	ex-officio	--	
1 Senior Director Student Affairs (<i>non-voting</i>)	James Sanford	ex-officio	--	(<i>in lieu of Dean of Students</i>)
1 Arts	Jessica Slights	3 yr	2028	
1 Prof. St.	VACANT	3 yr	2029	
1 P&A Sc.	Iain Beaton	3 yr	2027	
1 Student	Sam Richard	1 yr	2027	
1 Student	VACANT	1 yr	2027	

Guest: Associate Registrar Hayley van Kroonenburg

Chair: VACANT (2026-2027)

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty.

Committee: **Academic Discipline Appeals Committee**

Type: Ad-hoc

Status: Appointed and meets only when necessary.

The Academic Discipline Appeals Committee shall be activated as needed by the Chair of Senate, after notification by the Vice-President (Academic). The membership of the Academic Discipline Appeals Committee shall be elected in accordance with Article VI. 1. and shall be as follows:

- One member of the Faculty of Arts
- One member of the Faculty of Professional Studies
- One member of the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science
- Two students

The duties of the Academic Discipline Appeals Committee shall be:

To deal with any matter of academic discipline which cannot be resolved by the Vice-President (Academic).

Membership (5)	Representative	Period of Service
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1	Prof. St.	
1	P&A Sc.	
1	Arts	
1	Student	
1	Student	

Chair: **Senate Chair – Anna Kiefte (2026-2027)**

Procedures for Appointment of Faculty: Nominated and elected within each Faculty when needed to be activated.

Committee: **Interdisciplinary Program Committee (IDST) Ad Hoc Committee of Senate**

Type: Ad-hoc

BE IT MOVED THAT Senate establish an Interdisciplinary Program Committee that will make proposals for:

- (a) the rationalized governance and administration of IDST programs;
- (b) the representation of IDST faculty on major decision-making committees, including hiring committees to ensure that IDST programs are supported when hiring is done;
- (c) the support of IDST programs through curriculum visibility, flexibility, and procedures such as systematic cross-listing and cross-coding;
- (d) mechanisms by which departments will be advantaged by supporting interdisciplinary studies and programs.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED THAT the proposed committee be composed of a representative from each of the IDST programs chosen by the respective IDST program, as well as a faculty representative from each of the faculties, elected via the appropriate faculty elections officer and a student preferably from an IDST program and chosen by the SRC.

Committee: **Ad Hoc Nursing Program Steering Committee**

Type: Ad-hoc

Formed at Senate meeting on April 10, 2023

Mandate extended on June 25, 2024

Committee membership:

- Corinne Haigh, Dean, Professional Studies (Chair)
- Jeff Hooper, Dean, Pure and Applied Science
- Cassel Busse, Director of the School of Nursing
- Ashlee Cunsolo, Provost and VP Academic
- Matt Lukeman, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Pure and Applied Science representative
- Lily Rich, VP Academic of the Acadia Students' Union
- Maggie Neilson, Vaughan Memorial Library
- Jeff Torbert, Chair of Senate Curriculum Committee (Policy)
- Janna Wentzell, School of Kinesiology, Faculty of Professional Studies
- Ian Wilks, Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts representative
- Brian Wilson, Department of Biology

Motion to form committee passed at Senate April 10, 2023:

Whereas the Act of Incorporation defines the power of Senate as being "to control, regulate and determine the educational policy of Acadia University, and, with the approval of the Board of Governors insofar as the expenditure of funds and the establishment of faculties are concerned, may create such faculties, schools, departments, and institutes...as the Senate may determine," and to "determine the courses of study and standards of admission" to Acadia University;

Whereas the provincial government has expressed an interest in having Acadia establish a Nursing Program with an initial intake of students as early as September 2023;

Whereas this proposal represents an important opportunity for Acadia to expand its educational offerings and help to address Nova Scotia's ongoing healthcare challenges;

Whereas a Nursing Program may have a significant impact on the current educational offerings and distribution of resources within multiple academic units within the university;

Therefore an ad hoc Nursing Program Steering Committee shall be struck to consider the establishment of a Nursing Program at Acadia University and to make to the Senate whatever recommendations related to the program it deems fit. This shall include recommendations regarding the suitability of establishing such a program, its curriculum, appropriate structure and faculty home, and any other matters related to educational policy. The committee shall have authority to consult where appropriate with relevant individuals and academic units at Acadia University and other colleges and universities. The committee will receive from the Provost a description of how resources could be allocated to address the corresponding needs of existing and new academic units. The committee shall receive from and provide assistance to the Provost around discussions with Government of Nova Scotia and any other appropriate bodies as the committee may deem necessary.

This committee shall consist of the Provost, the Dean of Pure and Applied Sciences, Dean of Professional Studies, the chair of the Senate Curriculum Committee (Policy), one faculty representative from the Biology Department, and one faculty representative from each of the Faculty of Pure & Applied Sciences, the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Professional Studies, and the Library. The members shall select a Chair of the committee.

The committee shall investigate this matter with all deliberate speed and shall make regular reports to Senate on its progress.

Committee: **Ad Hoc Committee for Senate and Senate Executive Composition**

Formed by Senate Executive on Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Members

- Provost and Vice President Academic - Chair
- Deputy Chair of Senate
- Registrar and Senate Secretary
- Vice-Provost, Academic Policy and Graduate Studies
- One Dean appointed by the President
- 3 Senators, one from each current Faculty
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Terms of Reference

1. The ad-hoc Committee shall report regularly to both the Chair of Senate and the President on the committee progress
2. The ad-hoc Committee shall consult the wider Acadia community in determining a preferred structure for Senate and Senate Executive composition.
3. The ad-hoc Committee shall review other University Senate structures to determine best practices.
4. The ad-hoc Committee shall recommend a new Senate and Senate Executive structures to the By-Laws Committee for review by July 31, 2026.

Members Names:

- Provost and Vice President Academic – Chair- **Ashlee Cunsolo**
- Deputy Chair of Senate- **Christianne Rushton**
- Registrar and Senate Secretary- **Mark Bishop**
- Vice-Provost, Academic Policy and Graduate Studies- **Kate Ashley**
- One Dean appointed by the President- **Corinne Haigh**
- 3 Senators, one from each current Faculty- *none yet* (Arts), **Mary Sweatman** (Professional Studies), *None yet* (Pure and Applied Science)
- One non-Senate member of the Faculty appointed by the President- **Erin Crandall**
- 1 Senate representative from the Acadia Divinity College- **Danny Zacharias**
- One Student appointed by the ASU- **Lily Rich**