

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Purpose:

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Governors is responsible for reviewing proposals related to policies, programs and strategic initiatives that impact on the student experience and for referring these items to the Board of Governors for approval. On behalf of the Board and in consultation with the Senate where appropriate, it provides general oversight regarding academic direction, quality of the curriculum and student services, and related policies impacting on academic programs, staff and students.

Composition:

Membership of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee includes:

- Chair of the Board (ex-officio)
- President (ex-officio)
- such other members of the Board as the Board considers appropriate, one of whom will chair the committee
- such other non-voting members as the Board considers appropriate who are not members of the Board, except that members of the Board will form a majority of members of the Committee

The Provost and Vice President, Academic and the Vice-President, Enrolment Management and Administrative Services will be resource members of the Committee.

Terms of Reference:

In its capacity, the Academic and Student Affairs Committee will:

1. Ensure that there are appropriate, effective and efficient program development and continuous improvement processes in place.
2. Review and recommend to the Board of Governors proposals for new academic programs that are consistent with the Strategic Plan of the institution; are consistent with the provincial program framework and standards; and meet institutional and provincial criteria.
3. Review and recommend to the Board of Governors a balanced academic programming portfolio that serves the diverse communities of Sheridan.
4. Confirm that ad hoc and Professional Advisory Councils are in place to provide feedback on program direction, as outlined in the PAC Terms of Reference.
5. Review and recommend to the Board of Governors enrolment plans as required.
6. Review and recommend to the Board of Governors strategic initiatives related to academic programs and student services.
7. Ensure compliance with all relevant Acts, legislation and directives.

The Committee shall have access to such personnel and consultants, as it considers appropriate.

Meetings:

Minimum of three meetings per academic year