

SENATE OF MCMASTER UNIVERSITY – SUMMER 2016 BULLETIN

Below is a high-level review of the activities of the Senate of McMaster University during the 2015-16 session. Additional details about activities of the Senate can be found at the [Meeting Materials](#) section of the University Secretariat website, or by contacting the Secretariat at univsec@mcmaster.ca.

Senate approved or recommended the following appointments:

Dr. Suzanne Labarge – re-appointed as Chancellor for a second 3-year term, effective September 1, 2016;

Dr. Robert Baker – appointed as Vice-President (Research) for a five-year term, effective July 1, 2016;

Dr. Paul O’Byrne – appointed as Dean and Vice-President (Health Sciences), effective July 1, 2016.

Senate revised or established the following policies, all of which are available on the University Policies, Procedures and Guidelines website.

[Academic Integrity Policy](#)

[Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities](#)

[Deferral of Attendance at Convocation](#)

[Distinguished University Professor](#)

[Flag Policy and Protocol](#)

[Issuing Diplomas in Advance of Convocation](#)

Research Leave Policies –[SPS C1](#) and [SPS C2](#)

[Residence Agreement 2016-17](#)

Senate also approved: -

- a. the establishment of a **School of Interdisciplinary Science** as a new academic unit within the Faculty of Science;
- b. the termination of the **Department of Medical Physics and Applied Radiation Science** in the Faculty of Science;
- c. the termination of the **Walter G. Booth School of Engineering Practice** and the **School of Engineering Technology** in the Faculty of Engineering;
- d. the establishment of the **Walter G. Booth School of Engineering Practice and Technology** in the Faculty of Engineering;
- e. a change of name for the **Department of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics** which will become **Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact**, effective January 1, 2017.

The following research facilities were established:

Centre for Advanced Research in Experimental and Applied Linguistics;

Centre for Ancient Numismatics;

Institute on Ethics and Policy for Innovation;

Michael G. DeGroote Cochrane Canada Centre;

McMaster Indigenous Research Institute.

Name Change:

The name of the **McMaster Institute of GeroScience** was changed to the **McMaster Institute for Research on Aging**.

The terms of reference for the following Endowed Chairs were established or revised:

New

DesRoches Chair in Bone Marrow Transplantation;

Farncombe Family Chair in Microbial Ecology and Bioinformatics;

Fred Hargreave/Teva Innovation Chair in Airway Diseases;

William J. Walsh Chair in Medicine (**converted** from Professorship).

Revised

DesRoches Chair in Bone Marrow Transplantation name **revised** to Joseph E. DesRoches Chair in Bone Marrow Transplantation;

Michael G. DeGroot Chair in Stroke Prevention;

Moran Campbell Chair in Respiratory Medicine.

Senate approved the following Program changes:

New Programs:

Industrial PhD Option, Faculty of Engineering;

PhD Program in Communication, New Media and Cultural Studies;

Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology;

Honours Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience ;

Bachelor of Commerce in Integrated Business and Humanities;

Integrated Biomedical Engineering and Health Sciences (includes two Co op options);

Diploma in Health Information Management Plus;

English Readiness for Graduate Excellence Certificate;

Certificate in Canadian Payroll Management;

Certificate in Digital Marketing;

Leadership in Community Engagement Certificate.

Closed

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Social Work Program;

Combined Bachelor of Arts and Science and Social Work Program;

Child Life Studies Diploma Program;

Case Management Certificate Program.