

## SENATE OF MCMASTER UNIVERSITY – SUMMER 2017 BULLETIN

Below is a high-level review of the activities of the Senate of McMaster University during the 2016-17 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](mailto:univsec@mcmaster.ca).

*Senate approved, and recommended to the Board, the following:*

### **Formal adoption of the Okanagan Charter**

### **Termination of the Faculty of Theology, effective December 31, 2016**

### **Changes in title, effective July 1, 2017, as follows:**

'Associate Vice-President (Faculty)' becomes 'Vice-Provost (Faculty)' – *currently Dr. Susan Searls Giroux;*

'Associate Vice-President (Teaching and Learning)' becomes 'Vice-Provost (Teaching and Learning)' – *currently Dr. Arshad Amad;*

'Associate Vice-President and Dean of Graduate Studies' becomes 'Vice-Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies' – *currently Dr. Doug Welch;*

'Associate Vice-President (International Affairs)' becomes 'Vice-Provost (International Affairs)' – *currently Dr. Peter Mascher.*

### **Establishment of the Position Vice-Provost (Equity and Inclusion)**

### **Establishment of the Position Associate Dean (Faculty Affairs), Faculty of Health Sciences**

#### **Appointments, as follows:**

**Dr. David Wilkinson** – extended as Provost and Vice-President (Academic) for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, or until a new Provost and Vice-President (Academic) takes over the position, whichever comes first;

**Dr. Doug Welch** – as Vice-Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies to June 30, 2022;

**Dr. Maureen MacDonald** – as Dean of the Faculty of Science to June 30, 2022;

**Dr. Leonard Waverman** – re-appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Business to June 30, 2020;

**Dr. Michael Farquharson** – re-appointed as Associate Dean (Academic), Faculty of Science;

**Dr. Sue McCracken** – as Associate Dean (Academic), Faculty of Business, for a five-year term;

**Dr. Anna Danielova** – as Associate Dean (Faculty Affairs and Accreditation), Faculty of Business;

**Dr. Mark Walton** – as Associate Dean (Faculty Affairs), Faculty of Health Sciences;

**Dr. Khaled Hassanein** – as Associate Dean (Graduate Studies and Research), Faculty of Business;

**Dr. Pamela Swett** – as Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research (Humanities);

**Dr. Sean Corner** – as Acting Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research (Humanities);

**Dr. James Gillett** – as Associate Dean (Graduate Studies and Research), Faculty of Social Sciences;

**Dr. Gianni Parise** – re-appointed as Associate Dean (Research and External Relations), Faculty of Science;

**Dr. Jonathan Bramson** – Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Health Science;

**Dr. Ken Cruikshank** – as the Council of Ontario Universities Academic Colleague for a two-year term, effective July 1, 2017, and **Dr. Maureen MacDonald** as the Council of Ontario Universities Alternate Academic Colleague for a two-year term, effective July 1, 2017;

**Ms Christi Garneau** – as University Secretary, effective July 24, 2017.

*Senate awarded the title Distinguished University Professor to the following individuals:*

**Dr. Barry Allen**, Philosophy;

**Dr. Michael Brook**, Chemistry and Chemical Biology;

**Dr. Bruce Gaulin**, Physics and Astronomy;

**Dr. John Kelton**, Medicine;

**Dr. Laurel Trainor**, Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour.

*Senate awarded the title University Scholar to the following individuals for a 4-year term:*

**Dr. Chandrima Chakraborty**, English and Cultural Studies;

**Dr. Wael El-Dakhkhni**, Civil Engineering;

**Dr. Paul McNicholas**, Mathematics and Statistics;

**Dr. Peter Nyers**, Political Science; and

**Dr. Sheila Singh**, Surgery.

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

[Academic Accommodation of Students with Disabilities](#)

[Academic Program Development and Review](#)

[Aid and Awards](#)

[Awarding of the Title “Professor Emeritus / Emerita”](#)

[Care and Use of Animals in Research and Teaching](#)

[Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities](#)

[Diplomas and Certificates](#)

[Discrimination, Harassment and Sexual Harassment: Prevention and Response](#)

[Hearing Procedures for the Board-Senate Hearing Panel for Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Violence](#)

[Research Integrity Policy](#)

[Residence Agreement / Contract, 2017-18](#)

[Sexual Violence](#)

[Student Groups \(Recognition, Risk Assessment and Event Planning\)](#)

[Tenure and Promotion Policy](#)

**Section II, Clause 4**, - *Correction of a clerical error*

**Section II, Clause 4b** - *Revision to requirements for an initial appointment with tenure*

**Sections III, V, and VI** - *Revision to method of contacting faculty members*

**[SPS B11](#)**, -- **Curriculum Vitae Requirements** – *addition of Research Creation category*

**[SPS C1](#)** and **[SPS C2](#)** -- **Research Leaves** – *establishment of appeal process and clarification of eligibility for first leave*

**[SPS C4](#)** – **Pregnancy and Parental Leave** – *Changes to financial arrangements*

**[Appendix A](#)**,

**[SPS A4](#)**, and New **[SPS, A12](#)** - *revisions that address the requirement that clinical faculty must hold a valid licence to practise medicine in Ontario, as well as maintain malpractice insurance and (normally) patient care privileges at an affiliated hospital*

***The following research facilities were established:***

Centre for Mobility in Aging;

McMaster Digital Transformation Research Centre;

McMaster University Centre for Buddhist Studies;

Michael G. DeGroot Centre for Medicinal Cannabis Research;

Computing Infrastructure Research Centre.

***Revision to terms of reference and/or name change of research facilities:***

McMaster Institute for Research on Aging;

Termination of the McMaster Brain-Body Institute.

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

**New**

Jack Hirsh / Population Health Research Institute Chair in Thrombosis and Atherosclerosis Research;

Population Health Research Institute Chair in Cardiology Research.

**Revised Terms of Reference and/or Name Change**

Farncombe Family Chair in Inflammatory Bowel Disease revised to Farncombe Family Chair in Phage Biology;

Ontario Research Chair in Educational Achievement and At-Risk Students revised to Ontario Research Chair in Educational Achievement and At-Risk Youth;

Boris Family Chair in Human (Neural) Stem Cells revised to Boris Family Chair in Drug Discovery;

Mackenzie Financial Corporation Chair in Evidence-Based Financial Planning revised to Mackenzie Investments Chair in Evidence-Based Investment Management;

Stephen A. Jarislowsky Chair in Environment and Health.

**Senate approved the following Program changes:**

**New:**

Master of Science in Financial Mathematics;

M.Eng. in Computing and Software – *merger of four existing M.Eng. degrees;*

Combined Honours Bachelor of Arts and Science and Indigenous Studies Program;

Applied Clinical Research Certificate;

Canadian Health Care Certificate;

Certificate in Big Data Analytics;

Certificate in Business Technology Management;

Certificate in Essential French;

Certificate in International Engagement;

Certificate in Marketing;

Diploma in Business of Golf and Resort Management.

**Closed:**

Honours Bachelor of Science in Medical Physics Program;

Honours Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering - Embedded Systems Program;

Honours Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical and Biomedical Engineering Program;

Collaborative MA in Public Policy and Administration;

Technology Diploma and the Technology Leadership Diploma.