



Board of Governors
LEARNING & RESEARCH COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Tuesday, November 24, 2020
8:05 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.
VIDEOCONFERENCE

2. Approval of Agenda	REQUESTED – Approval IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Learning & Research Committee approves as circulated the Agenda for the November 24, 2020 meeting of the Learning & Research Committee.
3. Approval of Minutes	REQUESTED – Approval IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Learning & Research Committee approves as circulated Minutes of the September 10, 2020 Learning & Research Committee meeting.
4. Okanagan Student Union (SUO) Presentation	The students’ union at UBC Okanagan has conducted a survey of their membership (The 2020 UBSUO Student Experience Survey). It has yielded several important insights into the key aspects of the student experience, of which a critical component is the aspect of learning. The student’s presentation to the L&R Committee of the Board focuses on some of these important issues.
5. UBC Vancouver Faculty Survey Results by Gender	This project involves two surveys: the Tenure Track (TT) Survey and the Non-Tenure Track (Non-TT) Survey. The surveys measured the effects of COVID-19 on faculty’s overall ability to work, teaching, research, service, and caregiving. The surveys also assessed work climate, racism, discrimination, and harassment. In summary, both TT and Non-TT faculty report increases in teaching workloads, service workloads, and caregiving at home.
6. Report on President’s Academic Excellence Initiative – Accelerate Phase	A verbal update will be provided on the implementation phasing of the accelerate phase and the adjusted timeline compared to the original timeline.
7. Update on Preparations for Teaching and Learning for Winter Term 2	Looking ahead to 2020W2, continued and strengthened support for building and delivering second term courses is essential, with adaptation and modification in light of the experience from 2020W1. Work is under way with Deans / Associate Deans to identify and cost particular areas of need for 2020W2. A total (estimated) amount of \$8.6M is required to support the building and teaching of over 3000 courses online in 2020W2, with \$4M of that being requested as a central funding contribution from AEF to be disbursed to Faculties.

CONSENT/INFORMATION AGENDA Subject to Governor request for discussion

8. **REQUESTED – Approval**
Recommendations from the Senates
 IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that, with authority delegated by the Board of Governors, the Learning & Research Committee concurs with recommendations arising from the following Senates and Vancouver Senate Curriculum Committee meetings:
- i.* September 2020 UBC Vancouver Senate
 - ii.* October 2020 UBC Vancouver Senate
 - iii.* October 2020 UBC Okanagan Senate
 - iv.* UBC Vancouver Senate – Disestablishment of Rick Hansen Institute

9. Establishment of New Endowments

Endowment funds listed in the report have been approved by the President on the recommendation of the University Counsel in accordance with UBC Endowment Policy FM5 and are presented to the Learning & Research Committee of the Board of Governors for information only. Under Endowment Management Policy FM5, the Board of Governors has delegated authority to the President to approve, upon the recommendation of the University Counsel, the establishment of new endowment funds. Spending may begin upon execution of the endowment documentation by the President.

10. Report on Revisions by the President to Procedures of the Killam Professors Policy (LR6)

The Office of the University Counsel prepared this report pursuant to section 4.2 of the Regulatory Framework Policy (GA2) to provide a summary of changes made by the President to Procedures of Board Policies. The President has approved amendments to section 3.1 of the Procedures of the Killam Professors Policy (LR6) to increase the number of potential recipients of the designation of “University Killam Professor” from three individuals to six individuals in any given academic year.