

SUBJECT Action Items Status Report

SUBMITTED TO Learning & Research Committee

MEETING DATE 11/20/2024

CLASSIFICATION Open

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LEAD Karen Hakkarainen, Board Secretary

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The briefing provides, in the table below, an update on the status of action items tracked for the Committee.

Meeting Date	6/14/2023
Item # and Title	4. Senate Recommendations Including Enrolment Targets
Action Identified	Administration to provide an update at the next meeting as to when the action items identified in the March 21, 2023 Minutes of the Learning & Research Committee would be addressed: 1)The Administration’s assessment of the resources that the University needs to secure (other than the funding packages) in the context of the current over enrollment in order to ensure high-quality graduate education, resources that are currently not provided through government graduate funding. 2) A briefing with respect to the Administration’s advocacy with government and the results of that advocacy (particularly with respect to the unfunded graduate FTE on the Okanagan campus) as well as consideration of other strategies/ approaches to secure required resources to sustainably fund core graduate education. 3) Consideration of possible enhancements to graduate funding packages and potential funding sources. 4) Discussion of opportunities for the Learning & Research Committee and the Board to support the Administration in the pursuit of increased graduate student numbers and graduate student funding sufficient to maintain appropriate supports for those students.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver, Vice-President External Relations
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document; may be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the Strategic Plan Refresh

Meeting Date	9/13/2023
Item # and Title	3. Report on the Evolution of Academic and Non-Academic Staffing at UBC 2018-2019 to 2022-2023
Action Identified	The Administration was requested to bring forward a draft of the dashboard in development for tracking of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) related to assessment of academic quality for the Committee’s input.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Discussed at September 2024 agenda-review meeting; to be considered further following the September 2024 Board Retreat

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Item # and Title	3. Report on the Evolution of Academic and Non-Academic Staffing at UBC 2018-2019 to 2022-2023
Action Identified	The Administration was asked to provide the overall UBC faculty/student ratio and Faculty-specific faculty/student ratios at UBC for the years prior to 2018, relative to the University's comparators and impact of any changes on UBC's academic excellence and reputation, including international rankings over the period. Discussion to include consideration of an appropriate faculty/student ratio(s) for UBC to optimize its academic performance.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending May be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the Strategic Plan Refresh
Meeting Date	11/20/2023
Item # and Title	3. Updates re Academic Excellence Fund and President's Academic Excellence Initiative
Action Identified	The Administration was asked to provide an update to the Learning & Research Committee at a future meeting with respect to implications of the budget model review for the Academic Excellence Fund and/or the President's Academic Excellence Initiative.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver, Vice-President Finance & Operations
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document; may be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the UBC Budget Reimagining Project
Meeting Date	3/12/2024
Item # and Title	3. 2023-2024 Annual Enrolment Report
Action Identified	The Committee Chair asked the Administration to provide, at a future meeting, a briefing detailing the actions being taken to improve UBC's retention of Indigenous students at both campuses.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document (May be covered in the upcoming Indigenous Strategic Plan Annual Report to Board)
Meeting Date	3/12/2024
Item # and Title	4. Enrolment Management
Action Identified	The Committee Chair asked the Administration to provide, at a future meeting, some analysis on the impact of UBC's current merit-based awards on the yield of admitted students, and international students in particular.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document; may be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the Strategic Plan Refresh

Meeting Date	3/12/2024
Item # and Title	5. Enrolment Targets
Action Identified	The Committee Chair requested a briefing, at a future meeting, on the long term plans/strategy to resource graduate programs, as part of the budget review process, in the context of the unfunded graduate enrollment to ensure continuing excellence in graduate education.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document; may be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the UBC Budget Reimagining Project
Meeting Date	6/10/2024
Item # and Title	Item #4: Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Teaching and Learning Update
Action Identified	The Learning & Research Committee Chair asked the Administration to provide an update on Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Teaching and Learning in one year's time (June 2025), with specific parameters for the briefing to be determined at a time closer to the anticipated presentation date.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document
Meeting Date	9/13/2023
Item # and Title	3. President's Academic Excellence Initiative (PAEI) Update
Action Identified	The Committee requested an opportunity to provide feedback with respect to potential strategies for elevating teaching, research and other core components of the academic mission in UBC's revised budget model.
Responsible Lead	Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Okanagan, Provost and Vice-President Academic, UBC Vancouver
Current Status	Pending Added to Learning & Research Committee forward-planning document; may be addressed through the Strategic Plan Refresh and/or the UBC Budget Reimagining Project; item to be revisited following completion of the Strategic Plan Refresh