



Date: November 18, 2020
To: Senate
From: Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching
Re: **2019/2020 Annual Report**

The Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching define its scope and relationship with Senate and other Senate committees. Each spring, the committee presents an annual report to Senate on its business and proceedings over the previous academic year.

The Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching met on October 10, 2019, December 2, 2019, and February 5, 2020. Over the year, the committee considered a variety of issues:

***Student Enrollment Management (SEM) Goals
Teaching Excellence
Course Experience Survey***

At its October meeting, committee members heard from Mr. Jim Dunsdon, Associate Vice-President Student Affairs, on the university's Student Enrollment Management (SEM) goals and the consultation plan as targets are implemented. He noted that the Enhanced Planning Tools goals were being reviewed as part of the process. Committee members discussed ranking and reputation, Indigenous student enrollment, graduate student enrollment, and the admission criteria to consider broader ways to indicate student strength to a balance with student health and wellness

The committee reviewed a briefing paper on Teaching Excellence from Dr. Laurene Shields and the Learning and Teaching Support and Innovation (LTSI).

The work of the subcommittee on Course Experience Survey continued throughout the year with regular updates at each of the committee meetings.

***Committee Evaluation Summary
Learning Management Systems***

At its December meeting, committee members reviewed the responses from the previous committee evaluation summary and discussed possible revisions to the committee Terms of Reference.

The committee also participated in an interactive tour of the university's learning technology ecosystem, led by representatives from Technology Integrated Systems. At the same meeting, committee members engaged in a discussion on questions related to the Learning Management System at UVic:

- How do you currently use CourseSpaces, and what works well for you?
- What are your current frustrations? What would you like?
- What would improve the student/instructor experience
- What are complementary education technologies

**Course Experience Survey
Academic Concessions Consultation**

At its February meeting, committee members heard from Mr. Tony Eder, Executive Director, Academic Resource Planning, on how the university implements its quality assurance mechanisms and the directions taken at other institutions across the country related to ranking and the Course Experience Survey. Committee members had a robust discussion on the use of the survey within UVic and at other institutions across Canada.

At this meeting, committee members reviewed the report from the sub-committee on the Course Experience Survey and agreed on the recommendations for revisions to Senate.

Committee members also provided feedback on the proposed revisions to the Academic Concessions Regulations and guidelines.

Report from the Division of Learning and Teaching Support and Innovation

The committee received regular updates from the Executive Director of Learning and Teaching Support and Innovation on the major initiatives undertaken by the unit.

Respectfully submitted,

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