



Meeting of Senate
February 4, 2022

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on February 4, 2022 at 3:33 p.m. in the Michele Pujol Room, Student Union Building.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Kevin Hall advised that the item under his report, University Rankings, was removed from the agenda.

Motion: (S. Klein/B. Smith)
That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

a. January 7, 2022

Motion: (R. St. Clair/H. Hallgrímsdóttir)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on January 7, 2022 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Dr. Hall noted that an update on the 100% drop deadline information from the Vice-President Academic and Provost's office would be provided further in the meeting.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

a. President's Report

Dr. Hall began by thanking Valerie Kuehne, Vice-President Academic and Provost, for her 23 years of leadership. He noted the lasting impact of her hard work as a key leader in building the university. Dr. Hall reminded Senate members that Dr. Kuehne's term was scheduled to end in 2020, but she had stayed on to provide continuity through the pandemic and the first year of his presidency. This willingness to remain during this challenging time shows her unwavering dedication to this campus and its community.

Dr. Hall welcomed Allana Lindgren as the new Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts.

In terms of the ongoing strategic planning, Dr. Hall thanked Senators for their participation and announced the upcoming town hall on February 10, 2022. In addition, he noted the establishment of a strategic planning advisory committee made up of half internal and half external members who met for the first time in January.

Dr. Hall noted additional town halls, starting with the recent dialogue with David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, and a number of UVic students.

UVic also hosted a town hall for the Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and MLA for Oak Bay – Gordon Head and the Honourable David Eby, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing. Both sessions had engaged conversations on important issues.

Dr. Hall announced that the university had established UVic KWENCH to support venture exploration and early-stage start-ups. He noted that one of KWENCH's first programs would focus on support for women exploring starting ventures. The services available through UVic KWENCH will include mentorship, workspace, access to subject matter expertise, direct connection to UVic and other networks, workshops and seminars.

In terms of Canada Research Chairs, some recent announcements included:

- Jaime Arredondo Sanchez Lira, Canada Research Chair in Substance Use and Health Policy Research
- Christina Hoicka, Canada Research Chair in Urban Planning for Climate Change
- Loren McClenachan, Canada Research Chair in Ocean History and Sustainability
- John Borrows, Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Law

Dr. Hall noted that February marks the start of Black History Month and the important opportunity to explore Black Canadians' historical and current contributions in our communities as well as nationally and internationally. He remarked on the great opportunity here at UVic to recognize the many achievements of Black faculty, staff and students and acknowledge that ongoing work is needed to support racial equity, diversity and inclusion.

Finally, in terms of recent awards, Dr. Hall announced that Afzal Suleman, CRC and Director of the Centre for Aerospace Research, had been elected to the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics as Honorary Fellows and Fellows for his long and highly contributory career in aerospace. Stephanie Willerth, CRC and Acting Director of Biomedical Engineering, had been made a Fellow of the Canadian Society of Senior Engineers.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. University of Victoria Grading Report for 2020/2021

Yasmine Kandil introduced the report.

Tony Eder, Executive Director, Academic Planning and Resources, provided an overview of the report. In response to a question, Mr. Eder noted that COM and INC grades are removed from the grade point average and are not contributors to the overall numbers.

Another Senator asked how students could access this data. Mr. Eder confirmed that the enrolment portal was not open to students due to privacy concerns. However, at President Hall's request, his office is working on a data portal project that will provide more information, but in the same manner as the current portal.

Finally, a Senator asked whether the data showed grade inflation as noted in the media. Mr. Eder stated that grades have climbed but noted that much of this can be attributed to the most recent COVID grading options provided to students during the start of the pandemic.

b. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Charlotte Schallié introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (B. Smith/A. Lepp)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the new and revised awards set out in the attached document:

- Faculty of Fine Arts Student Community Impact Award* (Revised)
- Nash Johnston LLP Scholarship in Evidence (Revised)
- Nash Johnston LLP Scholarship in Torts (Revised)
- Inuit Women Legal Scholar Award (New)
- Environmental Education Impact Award (New)
- George Lee Law Corporation Scholarship (New)
- Mastercard Award in Cyber Security (New)
- Bonnie and Ken Putt Award* (Revised)
- Mohamed & Prabha Ibrahim Undergraduate Scholarship in Chemistry* (Revised)
- Level Up Award presented by Codename Entertainment* (Revised)
- Hilder School of Music Award* (New)
- Chaney Award* (Revised)
- Speakman Award* (New)
- Arthur Whittingham Graduate Travel Scholarship* (New)
- Working for a Better World Award (New)

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CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Curriculum

i. 2022/2023 Cycle 1 Curriculum Submissions

Adam Con introduced the proposal and thanked a number of people for the work done in putting together the calendar for each cycle.

In response to a Senator's question, Dr. Con confirmed that these approvals were only for the May 2022 calendar.

Motion: (A. Con/R. St. Clair)

That Senate approve the curriculum changes recommended by the Faculties and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in the 2022-2023 academic calendar, effective May 1, 2022.

CARRIED

Motion: (A. Con/S. Klein)

That Senate authorize the Chair of the Senate Committee on Curriculum to make small changes and additions that would otherwise unnecessarily delay the submission of items for the academic calendar.

CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching

i. Proposed revisions to the academic calendars regarding management of personal information and disclosure of student personal information outside of Canada

Alexandra D'Arcy introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. D'Arcy/H. Hallgrímsdóttir)

That Senate approve the revisions to the academic calendars as described in the memo "Revisions to the calendar regarding management of personal information and disclosure of student personal information outside of Canada", dated December 16, 2021.

CARRIED

ii. Proposed addition of Course Delivery Mode Definitions to the Academic Calendars

Dr. D'Arcy introduced the proposal. Elizabeth Adjin-Tettey, Acting Vice-President Academic Planning, outlined the framework for the calendar.

A Senator asked for clarification regarding the notation for instructors to provide such information to students in their syllabi before or at the start of the term. Dr. Adjin-Tettey confirmed that while it would be ideal to have this information for students before the beginning of the term, the language is meant to align with the expectation that syllabi are presented to students at the start of the term.

Motion: (A. D'Arcy/A. Lindgren)

That Senate approve the addition of Course Delivery Mode Definitions in the academic calendars as described in the memo "Course Delivery Modes Framework", dated December 21, 2021.

CARRIED

e. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposal to extend the Approved Centre Status for the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions

Elizabeth Adjin-Tetty introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Con/M. Buller)

That Senate approve the proposal to extend the Approved Centre Status for the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions for a 12-month period from March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024, as described in the memorandum dated December 8, 2021.

CARRIED

ii. Proposal to change the name of the Department of French

Dr. Adjin-Tetty introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Lepp/M. Garcia-Barrera)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to change the name of the Department of French, as described in the document "Name Change for the Department of French to the Department of French and Francophone Studies".

CARRIED

iii. Proposal to discontinue the International Child and Youth Care Program Professional Specialization Certificate

Dr. Adjin-Tetty introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (H. Hallgrímsdóttir/J. Clarke)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to discontinue the International Child and Youth Care Program Professional Specialization Certificate, as described in the document "International Child and Youth Care program (Professional Specialization Certificate Program)".

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There was none.

8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

a. Renewal of Term Raincoast Chair in Applied Conservation Science

Susan Lewis, Acting Vice-President Academic and Provost, introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (S. Lewis/S. Hundza)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the renewal of the Raincoast Chair in Applied Conservation Science in the Department of Geography, Faculty of Social Sciences for a second five-year term commencing June 30, 2022.

CARRIED

b. Enrolment projections for 2022/23

Dr. Lewis introduced the proposal. Mr. Eder outlined the report's projections, and the targets set both by the government and the university internally. In response to a Senator's question, Mr. Eder explained the inclusion of international graduate students within the target metrics.

Motion: (S. Lewis/R. St. Clair)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, a recommended enrolment level of 18,548 FTE for the 2022/23 academic year, subject to revisions in the event of new information regarding mandated growth, funding levels, and/or application rates.

CARRIED

c. Policy Renewal Academic Accommodation and Access for Students with Disabilities (AC 1205) – for feedback

Dr. Lewis introduced the proposal for Senate's feedback. She noted that the working group is consulting with many areas on campus with many issues still under consideration.

The following issues and concerns were brought forward by Senators:

- the removal of the definition of a social model of disability
- the exclusion of non-credit learners
- the negative notion of undue hardship
- implementation challenges
- uneven procedures for resolving disagreements
- support for lab instructors and teaching assistants
- inability to access services for those with less means to obtain required documentation
- communication with students and faculty
- requirement to consult with those knowledgeable with disabilities
- support for instructors in making accommodations
- need to support students in the transition from K-12 system to post-secondary system

Notes were also provided to the working groups by a student member of the Society for Students with a Disability (SSD).

d. Update on the Recommendation to change the drop deadline for the second term of the 2021/2022 Winter Session

Dr. Lewis provided Senate with an update to the recommendation approved at the last meeting. There were no questions.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Submission from Samuel Holland, Senator

Samuel Holland introduced the proposal.

Senators asked if there had been any consideration of the effect on recipients of scholarships and bursaries, or other domino effects. Mr. Holland noted that this proposal was only meant to be enacted in an extreme circumstance but agreed to table the motion to the Senate Committee on Academic Standards for more consideration of issues.

Motion: (S. Holland/B. Smith)

That the Senate approve the following:

In the case of UVic changing classroom or exam formats during the 2022 Spring term after February 28th 2022, the date as noted in the Academic Important Dates as “Last day for withdrawing from full year and second term courses without penalty of failure” shall be changed to a Monday at least seven (7) days after the format change.

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b. Academic Important Dates

Ada Saab introduced the proposal, noting that the matter of the minimum number of days of the term in addition to the possible addition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation was still under discussion with the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance.

A Senate member asked if there was consideration to extend the Fall Reading Break for an entire week. Ms. Saab noted the extensive investigation on the extension of the Fall Reading Break in recent years. She said that this would be provided for Senators to understand the complexities of the matter.

Another Senator asked if the extra convocation days were included in the listing of dates. Ms. Saab noted that they would be incorporated at a future Senate meeting once these dates are established.

Motion: (M. Laidlaw/S. Hundza)

That Senate approve the Academic Important Dates for the period May 2023 through December 2023 for submission to the May 2022 undergraduate and graduate academic calendar publications.

CARRIED

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

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Name	In Attendance	Regrets		Position
Adjin-Tetty, Elizabeth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		A/Associate Vice-President Academic Planning	By Invitation
Andersen, Carrie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		University Secretary	Secretary of Senate
Bengtson, Jonathan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		University Librarian	Ex officio
Bhiladvala, Rustom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the faculty members
Brolo, Alexandre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
Buller, Marion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Chancellor	Ex officio
Campbell, Erin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
Clarke, Jo-Anne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Division of Continuing Studies	Ex officio
Con, Adam	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Cowen, Laura		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Crabbe, Sophia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
D'Arcy, Alexandra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
Davenport, Daniel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Devor, Aaron	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Diether, Kelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Dunsdon, Jim	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Associate Vice-President Student Affairs	By Invitation
Foster, David	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Garcia-Barrera, Mauricio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Gillen, Mark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Greengoe, Nicole	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Registrar	By Invitation
Hall, Kevin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		President and Vice-Chancellor	Chair of Senate
Hallgrimsdottir, Helga	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Faculty of Human and Social Development	Ex officio
Hancock, Rob	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Harder, Lois	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Ex officio
Hicks, Robin		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Ex officio
Hier, Sean			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Hof, Fraser	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Holland, Samuel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Hoorfar, Mina		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dean, Faculty of Engineering	Ex officio
Huang, Li-Shih	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Hundal, Navinder		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Hundza, Sandra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
Jack, Kylie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kalynchuk, Lisa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Vice-President Research and Innovation	Ex officio
Kalyniuk, Tomas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kelly, Erin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Kent, Nicole	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Klein, Saul	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Ex officio
Koch, Matthew	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Continuing Sessional	Elected by the Continuing Sessionals
Kuehne, Valerie		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vice-President Academic and Provost	Ex officio
Kurki, Helen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Laidlaw, Mark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
Leacock, Brian			Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
Lepp, Annalee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Faculty of Humanities	Ex officio
Lewis, Susan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Acting Vice-Provost	By Invitation
Li, Alex			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Lindgren, Allana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Acting Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts	Ex officio
Loock, Peter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dean, Faculty of Science	Ex officio
Marks, Lynne			Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
McDonough, Graham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
McGinnis, Martha	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Mucina, Devi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Mukhopadhyaya, Phalguni	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
Napoleon, Val		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Acting Dean, Faculty of Law	Ex officio
Navarro, Julio			Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Newcombe, Andrew	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Rose-Redwood, CindyAnn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Risby, Kyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Russell, Carolyn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Ryan, Maureen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
St. Clair, Ralf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Dean, Faculty of Education	Ex officio
Saab, Ada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Associate University Secretary	By Invitation
Salem, Joseph			Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Shi, Yang			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
Smith, Brock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
Todd, Christine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Voss, Graham		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Wang, Alivia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Warburton, Rebecca		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Wiebe, Anona			Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Wilson, Lara		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Professional Librarian	Elected by the Professional Librarians
Witts, Aidan			Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Wright, Bruce		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Head, Division of Medical Sciences	Additional Member
Wyatt, Victoria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
Wylie, Jaxxen		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Student Senator	Elected by the student societies

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective January 1, 2022

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a-f)

Chancellor: Marion Buller
President and Vice-Chancellor: Kevin Hall, Chair
Vice-President Academic & Provost: Valerie Kuehne
Vice-President Research and Innovation: Lisa Kalynchuk
Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Saul Klein
Dean of Education: Ralf St. Clair
Dean of Engineering: Mina Hoorfar
Dean of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke
Acting Dean of Fine Arts: Allana Lindgren
Dean of Graduate Studies: Robin Hicks
Dean of Humanities: Annalee Lepp
Dean of HSD: Helga Hallgrimsdottir, Vice-Chair
Dean of Law: Susan Breau
Dean of Science: Peter Loock
Dean of Social Sciences: Lois Harder
University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES

- Section 35 (2) (g)

BUSI: Brian Leacock (30/6/22)
Brock Smith (30/6/24)

EDUC: Sandra Hundza (30/6/23)
Graham McDonough (30/6/22)

ENGR : Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (30/6/22)
Yang Shi (30/6/23)

FINE: Adam Con (30/6/22)
Joseph Salem (30/6/24)

GRAD: Mauricio Garcia-Barrera (30/6/23)
Martha McGinnis (30/6/22)

HSD: Devi Mucina (30/6/24)
Maureen Ryan (30/6/22)

HUMS: Alexandra D'Arcy (30/6/22)
Lynne Marks (30/6/24)

LAW: Mark Gillen (30/6/22)
Andrew Newcombe (30/6/23)

SCIE: Alexandre Brolo (30/6/23)
Mark Laidlaw (30/6/23)

SOSC: Robert Hancock (30/6/24)
Helen Kurki (30/6/23)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS

- Sections 35 (2) (g)

Rustom Bhiladvala (ENGR) (30/6/23)
Erin Campbell (FINE) (30/6/23)
Laura Cowen (SCIE) (30/6/22)
Aaron Devor (SOSC) (30/6/23)
Sean Hier (SOSC) (30/6/24)
Fraser Hof (SCIE) (30/6/23)
Li-Shih Huang (HUM) (30/6/24)
Erin Kelly (HUM) (30/6/24)
Julio Navarro (SCIE) (30/6/23)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS (continued)

CindyAnn Rose-Redwood (SOSC) (30/6/22)
Graham Voss (SOSC) (30/6/24)
Victoria Wyatt (FINE) (30/6/23)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT

SOCIETIES – Section 35 (2) (h)

Sophia Crabbe (FINE) (30/6/22)
Daniel Davenport (HUM) “
David Foster (GRAD) “
Samuel Holland (SOSC) “
Navinder Hundal (SCIE) “
Kylie Jack (LAW) “
Tomas Kalyniuk (BUS) “
Nicole Kent (GRAD) “
Xiang (Alex) Li (ENGR) “
Kyle Risby (LAW) “
Christine Todd (GRAD) “
Anona Wiebe (ENGR) “
Aidan Witts (SOSC) “
Jaxxen Wylie (LAW) “
TBD (EDUC) “
TBD (HSD) “

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

– Section 35 (2) (i)

Kelly Diether (30/06/24)
Carolyn Russell (30/06/24)
Alivia Wang (30/06/24)
Rebecca Warburton (30/06/24)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright
Member elected by the Professional Librarians:
Lara Wilson (30/06/24)
Continuing Sessional: Matthew Koch (30/06/23)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights

Vice-Provost: Susan Lewis
Assoc. VP Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
A/Assoc. VP Academic Planning: Elizabeth Adjin-Tetty
Registrar: Nicole Greengoe
Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab