Faculty and Librarian Governance Volunteer Opportunities

About Senate and the Board of Governors

The University functions with a bicameral governance structure set out under the University of Guelph Act (1964) [1], which defines the responsibilities of the Board of Governors and the Senate. Senate is responsible for academic programs, regulations, and policies, whereas the Board of Governors oversees the government, conduct, management and control of the University and its property, revenues, expenditures, business and affairs.

Additional information on the bylaws, membership, meeting schedules, etc. can be found on the Board of Governors [2] and Senate [3] webpages.

Nomination and Election Process

The Board of Governors "Faculty and Staff Electoral Procedures [4]" and the Senate "Regulations Governing the Election of Faculty, Librarians and Staff to Senate [5]" include provisions for representation of faculty and librarians on the Board and Senate. Elections are held annually during the Winter semester. Should an insufficient number of nominations be received during the Winter election period to fill the available faculty seats, a by-election is held at the beginning of the following Fall semester (September 2016).

Fall 2016 By-elections to Senate

Nomination and Election dates:

Nomination period: Thursday, September 8, 2016 – Friday, September 16, 2016 at 3:00 PM (ET)

Voting period: Monday, September 26, 2016 – Friday, September 30, 2016 (ballots will be sent via Gryph Mail)

To nominate a candidate for Senate, complete a nomination form (found below) and submit a completed version to the University Secretariat either by email at elections@uoguelph.ca [6] or to the University Secretariat office on the 4th floor of the University Centre no later than Friday, September 16, 2016 at 3:00 PM (ET).

To vote a ballot will be sent to your University of Guelph email account on September 26, 2016.

Nomination Form:

- Faculty Senate Nomination Form [7]

2016-17 Senate By-election Faculty Vacancies

College of Arts – three (3) open seats

College of Business & Economics – one (1) open seat

College of Physical & Engineering Science – two (2) open seats

College of Social and Applied Human Sciences - one (1) open seat

Ontario Veterinary College – one (1) open seat