

## SENATE RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE<sup>1</sup>

### Terms of Reference:

1. Providing advice and recommendations to Senate matters related to research at the University.
2. Developing, reviewing, revising policies concerning research development and administration.
3. Advising on mechanisms to promote the research mission of the university, to recognize research excellence, and enhance overall research performance and competitiveness.
4. Considering proposals to establish research centres/institutes for recommendation to Senate and conducting periodic reviews of these centres/institutes.
5. Considering and responding to reports of granting bodies that impact university research.
6. Overseeing the adjudication processes for internal and external research grants, fellowships, and scholarship competitions that require internal review and/or distribution of funds.
7. Considering, developing, amending policies and procedures for administering these competitions.
8. Receiving and considering reports on matters related to internal research funding from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Graduate Studies and Research Committee.
9. Serving as a liaison with other research-related bodies and committees (e.g., Ethics, Animal Care, Library, Academic Computing, etc).
10. The mandate of the Research and Advisory Committee (SRAC) is to further the mission of UPEI in the pursuit of excellence in research and scholarly activity, and to report to the UPEI Senate annually.

### Composition:

Associate Vice President Research and Dean of Graduate Studies (Chair)

Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research, AVC

University Librarian (Ex-officio)

Faculty members, one from each faculty, actively engaged in and representing a range of research activities and disciplines (elected by, but not necessarily from, Senate, for 3-year terms)

1 graduate student nominated by the Graduate Student Association (GSA) and elected by Senate  
 1 senior undergraduate student nominated by the Student Union and elected by Senate  
 Administrative support  
 Administrative Assistant, Faculty of Graduate Studies (non-voting)

**Note: The Chair will identify an Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion champion for the committee. Senators are asked to consider the principles of EDI in the nominating and selecting of committee members.**

POSITION	INCUMBENT	EXPIRY DATE	APPOINTMENT
AVPR & Dean of Graduate Studies (Chair)	Marva Sweeney-Nixon	For term	ex officio
Associate Dean GSR, Veterinary Medicine	Chelsea Martin	For term	ex officio
University Librarian	Donald Moses	For term	ex officio
Faculty Member (Arts)	Joshua MacFadyen	June 30, 2026	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member Business	Xiao Chen	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member (Education)	Rachelle Gauthier	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member (IKERAS)	Erin Reid	June 30, 2026	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member (Nursing)	Margie Burns	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member (Science)	Sami Khedhiri	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
Faculty Member (FSDE)	Aitazaz Farooque	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
1 Senior Undergraduate Student	Owen Brown	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
1 Graduate Student	Sasha Nandlal	June 30, 2024	Elected by Senate
Administrative Support (non-voting)	Colleen Gallant		

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