Senate Committee on Admission & Degrees

Annual Report

2025-2026 Academic Year

Committee Mandate

The Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees (SCAD) is a standing committee of Senate responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to Senate regarding standards, policies, and regulations governing student admission and re-admission, student standing and promotion, and the awarding of academic credentials. The Committee assists Senate in the interpretation and application of University policies and regulations in specific cases, advises the Registrar and Senate on matters related to student standing and promotion, hears appeals involving denied admission or re-admission, and may recommend the revocation of diplomas, certificates, degrees, scholarships, or bursaries when warranted.

In accordance with its terms of reference, the Committee also reviews and recommends candidates for degrees and submits an annual summary report to Senate.

2025-2026 Membership

- Vice-President Academic & Research (Chair) **Greg Naterer/Donna Hardy-Cox**
- Registrar (non-voting) **Andrea Trowbridge**
- One Dean appointed by the Vice-President Academic & Research **Miles Turnbull**
- Two faculty members from different Faculties elected by Senate **Beibei Jia, Amy Hsiao**
- One staff member **Kendra Mellish**
- One student nominated by the Student Union and elected by Senate **Erika Kyalo**

The Chair also identifies an Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Champion for the Committee. In accordance with the Committee's Terms of Reference, EDI principles are considered in the nomination and selection of committee members.

Meetings Held

The Committee met three times during the 2025-2026 academic year.

On September 23, 2025, the Committee reviewed and approved candidates who had completed the requirements for graduation following the Summer 2025 academic period. Recommendations forwarded to Senate included graduates from the Faculty of Arts, McDougall Faculty of Business, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Nursing, Faculty of Science, Faculty of Sustainable Design Engineering, and Faculty of Veterinary Medicine. The Committee also approved an enabling motion authorizing the President, relevant Dean, and Registrar, acting jointly, to approve any unexpected degree, diploma, or certificate cases that might arise following Senate approval.

On January 19, 2026, the Committee reviewed and approved candidates who completed degree requirements following the Fall 2025 semester. Recommendations were forwarded to Senate for graduates from the Faculty of Arts, McDougall Faculty of Business, Faculty of Education, and the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

On May 5, 2026, the Committee reviewed and approved candidates eligible for graduation following the Winter 2026 semester. Recommendations were forwarded to Senate for a total of 924 candidates at the Charlottetown campus and 115 candidates at the Cairo campus, subject to the completion and verification of final grades where applicable. The Committee also approved the customary enabling motion authorizing the President, relevant Dean, and Registrar, acting jointly, to approve any unexpected credentialing cases.

The Committee also reviewed degree parchment printing options, following the Senate's approval to include Majors on undergraduate degree parchments. Five samples were reviewed, and a recommended option was put forward for final approval by Senate.

Summary

During the 2025-2026 academic year, the Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees reviewed and recommended a total of **1,515 candidates** for the conferral of degrees, diplomas, and certificates. The largest graduating cohort was from the **Faculty of Science (404 graduates)**, followed by the **McDougall Faculty of Business (378 graduates)** and the **Faculty of Arts (256 graduates)**. Winter 2026 represented the largest graduation cycle, with **1,039 candidates** approved across the Charlottetown and Cairo campuses.

Faculty	**Summer 2025**	**Fall 2025**	**Winter 2026**	**Cairo 2026**	**Total**
Faculty of Arts	43	45	168	0	**256**
McDougall Faculty of Business	79	82	134	83	**378**
Faculty of Education	38	46	129	0	**213**
Faculty of Nursing	0	26	74	0	**100**
Faculty of Science	38	67	277	22	**404**
Faculty of Sustainable Design Engineering	2	1	66	10	**79**
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	4	4	76	0	**84**
Faculty of Graduate Studies	0	1	0	0	**1**
Total	**204**	**272**	**924**	**115**	**1515**

Conclusion

The Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees continued to fulfill its mandate during the 2025-2026 academic year by overseeing matters related to academic credentialing and by recommending qualified candidates for graduation to Senate. Through its review of graduation lists and its ongoing responsibility to support the interpretation and application of academic regulations, the Committee contributed to maintaining the integrity and quality of the University's academic standards.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Trowbridge, Interim Registrar

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Dr. Paula Wood-Adams, **Interim Vice-President Academic & Research**
Chair, Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees