



MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary of Senate

From: Dr. Douglas Ivison - Chair, Senate Teaching and Learning Committee

Senate Meeting Date: 14 January 2019

Subject: Senate Teaching and Learning Committee Report

The Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (STLC) met on January 9.

The Vice-Provost (Teaching and Learning) reported that based on feedback from the Learning Spaces Rating System (LSRS) pilot project three rooms in the Regional Centre (RC 1001, 1002, and 1003) will be renovated in summer 2019. Renovations will include improvements to the furnishings and physical space as well as technological enhancements. There will be consultations with faculty members who have recently taught in these classrooms to discuss potential improvements.

The Library subcommittee reported that it has discussed the value of the ProQuest Dissertation database and is calling for the university to fund this resource.

The Teaching Awards subcommittee reported that seven nominations have been received for the inaugural Teaching Innovation Award. Nominees are in the process of being contacted and invited to submit the dossiers. The STLC had a discussion about whether the value of the financial award for the Teaching Innovation Award (\$100) is sufficient. The subcommittee will discuss this issue at its upcoming meeting.

The deadline for nominations for the Contribution to Teaching Award is February 15. Please encourage students to consider nominating instructors for this award..

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Douglas Ivison
Chair, Senate Teaching and Learning Committee