

Senate Academic - Quality Assurance Committee

(Revised November 2011)

Seven (7) days notice shall be given for all meetings except that a meeting may be held at any time without due notice if all members of the Committee are able to be present and/or consent thereto.

Quorum:

Unless otherwise stated in the approved terms of reference, quorum for Senate and all Senate committees is a simple majority of all filled positions

Composition:

1. ~~Associate Vice-President Academic~~ **Deputy Provost** (Non-voting)
2. Dean of Graduate Studies
3. One other Dean - appointed from SAC
4. Chair of SAC
5. Four full-time tenured faculty members nominated by SAC. A minimum of one of the four members shall be a member of SAC. A minimum of one of the four members shall be a full-time tenured faculty member appointed at the Orillia Campus.
6. One undergraduate and one graduate student appointed by SAC

Terms of Office:

1, 2, 4 ex officio

3 two -year term (renewable)

5 two -year term (renewable)

6 one-year term (renewable)

Organization:

1. ~~Associate Vice-President Academic~~ **Deputy Provost** to serve as Chair
2. ~~Administrative-Executive~~ Assistant to the ~~Vice-President (Academic) & Provost~~ **Provost and Vice-President (Academic)** to serve as Secretary
3. Administrative Office - Office of the ~~Vice-President (Academic) & Provost~~ **Provost and Vice-President (Academic)**

Terms of Reference:

1. To oversee **the review of new and continuing undergraduate and graduate degree/diploma programs whether offered in full, in part, or conjointly by**

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Lakehead University. This responsibility also extends to programs offered in partnership, collaboration or other such arrangements with other postsecondary institutions including colleges, universities, or institutes, reviews in accordance with the Policy for the Review and Approval of Academic Programs and the Provincial Undergraduate Program Review Audit Committee Guidelines. Lakehead University Institutional Quality Assurance Procedures (IQAP).

2. To review, revise, and develop where necessary internal policies pertaining to the review and approval of new undergraduate **and graduate** programs.
3. To review, revise, and develop where necessary internal policies pertaining to the **periodic/cyclical** review and approval of undergraduate **and graduate** programs.
4. To evaluate any new undergraduate program against specific criteria outlined in the Lakehead University ~~policy and procedures for review and approval of new programs~~ **(IQAP).**
- 4-5. **To evaluate any proposals for new collaborative programs, new for-credit graduate diplomas, major modifications to existing programs, and for the addition of new Field(s) in a graduate program against specific criteria outlined in the Lakehead University IQAP.**
6. To provide a written report to the Senate Academic Committee **highlighting the results and recommendations following arising from** the review of any new program **and of programs reviewed under the protocol for expedited programs.** ~~proposal highlighting results and recommendations.~~
- 5-7. **To provide a written report to the Senate Academic Committee following the completion of the Institutional Review and Follow-up steps required as part of the cyclical review process.**
- 6-8. ~~Oversee the site visit process, including selecting external and internal consultants in accordance with the internal policies for the periodic review and approval of undergraduate programs.~~ **Review and select reviewers from the list of proposed reviewers submitted for program reviews involving a site visit or external desk audit, in accordance with the Lakehead University IQAP.**

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