

Background

UWindsor's commitment to international education is unequivocally articulated in its mission statement, which underscores its dedication to "*empowering positive change through regionally and globally engaged inquiry, learning, scholarship, creative activities, and research*" aligning with the university's vision of being "locally engaged and globally connected." The infusion of global perspectives is intrinsically woven into our core academic excellence and community impact values.

Mandate

Strategically oversee the University of Windsor's global engagement by developing and implementing a comprehensive strategy that assesses current initiatives, addresses challenges, enhances international participation, integrates global education across curricula, outlines clear learning outcomes, promotes community and diversity engagement, secures funding, and builds university-wide support for globalization.

Objectives and Responsibilities:

- **Strategic Oversight and Best Practices:** Maintain an understanding of global engagement best practices within the higher education sector to inform the University's strategies.
- **Direction on Global Agreements and Partnerships:** Guide strategy related to global agreements and partnerships, emphasizing strategic alignment, mutual benefits, and comprehensive risk management. This includes the assessment, selection, and periodic review of international partnerships.
- **Strategy Review and Implementation Monitoring:** Regularly review and assess the University's global engagement strategy and implementation. Evaluate and report on progress, challenges, and achievements to key stakeholders, utilizing specific metrics and milestones.
- **Support to Admissions and Recruitment Teams:** Offer strategic advice and support to the Admissions and International Student Recruitment teams, particularly concerning the recruitment and admissions of international students.
- **Guidance to Global Engagement Team:** Provide strategic advice on various aspects of the Global Engagement team's operations.
- **Academic Unit Collaboration:** Collaborate with Deans of Faculties and Department Heads to ensure effective participation of academic units in the global engagement strategy.
- **Policy Development on International Activities:** Advice on creating comprehensive policies that support international activities and programs, ensuring alignment with the University's strategic goals and adherence to global best practices.
- **Student Attraction, Retention, and Support Strategies:** Contribute to strategies aimed at attracting, retaining, and supporting international students, enhancing their academic achievements, social integration, and overall well-being.
- **Facilitation and Advocacy of Global Engagement:** Facilitate exchanging and disseminating information about global engagement activities across the university. Promote and advocate for global engagement initiatives such as study abroad, student exchanges, international research, and other international opportunities.
- **Enhancing International Reputation:** Advice on strategies to strengthen the University's international reputation and participation in benchmarking exercises.
- **Reporting and Communication:** Periodically report to the Senate and other relevant committees and groups on the status and outcomes of global engagement efforts.

The Provost and Vice-President, Academic shall review the committee's mandate annually. The committee

may form specific sub-committees in support of the Committee's mandate as required.

Membership

The GEC will comprise representatives from key stakeholder groups across the University, with membership reviewed annually to ensure broad representation and expertise.

Position	Role
Senior International Officer (SIO)	Co-Chair
Faculty Representative (<i>elected from Committee membership</i>)	Co-Chair
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences	Member
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Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Education	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Engineering	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Human Kinetics	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Law	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Nursing	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Science	Member
Faculty Representative*, Odette School of Business	Member
Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Member
Associate Vice-President, Enrolment Management	Member
Associate Vice-President, Student Experience	Member
Associate Vice-President, External Affairs	Member
University Registrar (or delegate)	Member
Director, International Student Centre	Member
Director, International Student Recruitment	Member
Undergraduate Student Representative [^]	Member
Graduate Student Representative [^]	Member
Representative, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Innovation	Member
Representative, Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic	Member
Representative, Alumni Affairs	Member
Global Engagement Coordinator, UWindsor Global	Resource
Administrative Assistant, Enrolment Management	Resource
Office of Institutional Analysis Representative	Resource

* - Each Faculty within the University will appoint a representative to serve on the Global Engagement Committee. These appointments are to be made by the Dean of the respective Faculty, for a term of one year, which may be renewable. Appointed representatives must possess substantial experience in global engagement, international collaboration, or related fields. This experience could include but is not limited to, overseeing international partnerships, participating in study abroad programs, leading international research projects, or contributing to international policy development within their discipline.

[^] - Student representative should be an international student or past international study mobility participant serving a one-year term.

Reporting

The Committee will submit regular reports to the Provost and Vice-President, Academic. As needed, the co-chairs will present committee updates and provide reports to various University entities, such as the Senate, Provost's Council, and Board of Governors.

Meetings

The GEC will meet at least once per quarter or more frequently as deemed necessary by the Chair. Special meetings may be convened to address specific issues or opportunities at the discretion of the co-chairs or their designated representatives. Delegates are welcome to attend. Additionally, the co-chairs may invite other individuals as guests to participate in meetings when necessary.

Quorum

A quorum comprises at least half (50%) of the membership.

Minutes

The Global Engagement team shall be responsible for taking minutes at each scheduled meeting.

Agenda

Agenda items and supporting documentation should be forwarded to the co-chairs or members designated by the co-chairs.

The Global Engagement team will work with the co-chairs to prepare and circulate the agenda with all supporting documentation to Committee members no later than five (5) business days before every scheduled meeting.

Decision-Making of the Committee

Decisions and recommendations will be based on consensus.

Changes to the Membership and Terms of Reference

The Provost and Vice-President, Academic must approve membership and mandate changes.

References

American Council on Education. (2013). *The Internationalization Committee: Strategies for success*.
<https://www.acenet.edu/Documents/Intlz-In-Action-Intlz-Committee.pdf>

Appendices

2024/25 Committee Members

Name	Position	Role
C. Busch	Senior International Officer (SIO)	Co-Chair
L. Freeman	Faculty Representative (<i>elected from Committee membership</i>)	Co-Chair
T. Najem	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (Social Sciences)	Member
J. Sinanga-Ohlmann	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (Humanities)	Member
K. Montgomery	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Education	Member
B. Van Heyst	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Engineering	Member
C. McGowan	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Human Kinetics	Member
TBD	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Law	Member
L. Freeman	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Nursing	Member
D. Mennill	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Science	Member
K. Walker	Faculty Representative*, Odette School of Business	Member
P. Weir	Faculty Representative*, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Member
	Associate Vice-President, Enrolment Management	Member
S. Jones	Associate Vice-President, Student Experience	Member
J. Bornais	Associate Vice-President, External Affairs	Member
R. Darling	University Registrar	Member
M. Houston	Director, International Student Centre	Member
D. Wang	Director, International Student Recruitment	Member
M. Novelletto	Undergraduate Student Representative^	Member
A. Barzegar	Graduate Student Representative^	Member
H. Pratt	Representative, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Innovation	Member
	Representative, Alumni Affairs	Member
A. Mullen	Representative, Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic	Member
K. Wonnacott	Global Engagement Coordinator, UWindsor Global	Resource
J. Dube	Office of Institutional Analysis	Resource
D. Prior	Administrative Assistant, Office of Enrolment Management	Resource

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