

University of Windsor Senate

President's Report: October/November 2021

October 29, 2021
University of Windsor



Strategic Planning Update

- Oct 27: Nominations for Senate seats on Steering Committee closed
- Oct 27: Validation Survey closed
 - 205 total responses
 - 237 perspectives were identified. (e.g. some individuals responded as an alumni and staff)
- Wide range of excellent feedback and thoughts
 - 271 groups (including duplicates) were identified for engagement
 - A number of best practices and resources were shared

Next Steps

- Next week: Feedback and revisions on Discussion Paper and Summary
- Nov 4: Elected Senate Steering Committee Positions to be announced
- Nov 15: Full Steering Committee announcement (tentative)
- Nov 22: Public launch of the process

Senate Meetings



Return to campus life and community

- We are exploring options for moving Senate to a hybrid delivery model (face-to-face and virtual) starting in 2022
- The appropriate space/location on-campus is being evaluated
- We need to consider that approximately 100-110 people attend Senate:
 - This will exceed our n=75 capacity limit (up to 100% capacity)
 - Masks will be required
- Exploring a random selection process for Senators who want to come to campus
 - They will not be mandated to come if selected
- More concrete plan and next steps will be provided at the next Senate Meeting (Dec)
- Email Renée Wintermute if you have any suggestions

Land Acknowledgements



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- I would like to establish a process where a different Senator provides the Land Acknowledgement at each Senate meeting
- The University of Windsor Board of Governors is also employing a similar process
- We will be asking for volunteers but will also approach others

Open House Update



Return to campus life and community

- A hybrid 'Open House' was held last Saturday which enabled prospective students outside the region to easily participate
- We are the only Ontario university to deliver a hybrid 'Open House'
 - All other Ontario universities only offer a virtual experience, except for the University of Ottawa





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- **Virtual:** Registered: 1,703 prospect students and 677 attended
 - 42% Domestic, 50% International and 8% Did not answer
 - 29% Local (W-E), 56% out-of-town, and 15% did not answer
- **Face 2 Face:** Maximum capacity n=900 prospective students and their guests and was sold out
 - 55% Windsor-Essex and 45% out-of-region
- **Sessions:** Hy-flex (n=22), virtual-only (n=3), on-demand (n=2), campus tours and in-person activities (e.g. Faculty of Science Meet and Greet)
- **Booths:** Faculties and programs (n=17) and student services (n=21; virtual and n=13, in-person)
 - All supported by 220+ individuals
- **Virtual Open Day (Dec 9, 2021):**
 - Recruitment-led asynchronous video, live zoom rooms for engagement and private appointments, and chat/video. Limited faculty and campus involvement is required. Focus: UG – GTHA, UG – International and International Cohort Based Master's
- **Spring Open House (Mar 5, 2022)**
- Thanks everyone for their significant support...

Envision a Post-COVID Future



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- Virtual 'Speakers Series' in partnership with the City of Windsor that will bring together leaders, experts and community members to explore the medium- and long-term implications of the pandemic on society, the economy, our work and our lives.
- Next event:
 - Ms. Angela Mondou
 - Pandemic Disruption and Opportunity
 - November 4, 2021



Upcoming Senior Administrative Searches



Return to campus life and community

- Vice-President Finance & Operations – Fall 2021
 - Two senate appointments – Lorraine and Chris
- Associate Vice-President External – Early 2022
 - Two Senate appointments
- Provost & Vice-President Academic – Early 2022
 - Four decanal/faculty/sessional lecturer/librarian members of Senate
 - A student member of Senate elected by the Senate
- **Vice-President Research & Innovation – Early 2022**
 - Four decanal/faculty/librarian members of Senate, who are active researchers and who shall be members of four different Faculties/Library
 - Two graduate students who are enrolled in research-based programs and are from different Faculties
- Vice-President Equity, Diversity and Inclusion – Fall 2022
 - Creating Senate By-Law for this role