

**University of Windsor
Senate**

5.8: **Report of the Provost**

Item for: **Information**

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1. Search – Dean of the Odette School of Business

The process of selecting the Search committee and Search consultant is underway. Initiated the process at the Odette Faculty Council meeting on Friday March 25, 2022.

2. Search – AVP Student Experience

The Search committee met on Wednesday March 30, 2022 to review Bylaw 12 and the Search timeline. The selection of the Search consultant is underway.

3. COVID update – Spring 2022 forward

- Communication distributed to campus on Thursday March 31, 2022 outlining the suspension of the Vaccine and Mask policies, and the transition to passive screening as of May 1, 2022.
- The provisions of the Emergency academic plan end on April 30th, 2022, and there is no proposal to extend it as the University moves to a full return to campus.
<https://lawlibrary.uwindsor.ca/Presto/content/GetDoc.axd?ctID=OTdhY2QzODgtNjhYi00ZWY0LTg2OTUtNmU5NjEzY2JkMWYx&rID=Mjcw&pID=MjMy&attchmnt=False&uSesDM=False&rIdx=Mjcw&rCFU=>
 - One item under further consideration is revision of the VW date – Currently VW notations appear on transcripts starting the end of the second week of class (which is the earliest notations appear across the University sector), until the end of week 9. Based on feedback from students, faculty, Associate Deans and Deans, a proposal is moving to Academic Policy committee for discussion. The proposal is to move the last date to voluntarily withdraw to the last day of classes, and to remove the VW notation from the transcript. The record of the course would be retained within the student system, as is currently the case. This is consistent with the practice at Carleton University and University of Guelph. A number of Ontario universities are currently revisiting their practices.

4. External Engagement – Registrar's Office

- An ad-hoc advisory group of members of both Senate and Senate Governance has been created to provide oversight in terms of due diligence of process, accountability, and that areas of concern are being addressed. The first meeting was held on March 31, 2022, to review the background and context, list of stakeholders, and the progress made to date. Next steps include sharing background material provided to engagement team, meeting the engagement team, receiving preliminary results, and receipt and review of final report and recommendations. The final report will be presented to Senate and posted publicly.
- The engagement will commence again the week of April 4th or at the earliest availability of the remaining stakeholders and the external team.

5. Student Event

- a) The Provost's office in partnership with the Office of Student Experience will be hosting Eileen Kenkel from Telus to offer two online sessions on April 12th and 13th for all students on *Building Your Personal Brand*.
 - Eileen (she/her) is a Director at TELUS, building the next generation of Customer Care tools for team members and customer self-serve. Eileen has more than 30 years' experience in leadership, strategy and project management and holds a bachelor's degree in Electronics and Computer Systems Engineering. She is passionate about developing the next generation of leaders for TELUS and for Canada and is the founder of Next Gen Network.
 - She will be working with UWindsor to create a suite of sessions for the 2022-2023 academic year

- b) Summer Registration
 - April 1st – May 8th 2022