

**University of Windsor
Senate**

5.8: Report of the Provost

Item for: **Information**

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1. Recruitment—Ontario University Fair

The Ontario Universities Fair was held October 21-22. This is the signature recruitment event in the GTA, as evidenced by the substantial presence of Ontario universities and the approximately 86,000 students who made their way to the Toronto Metropolitan Convention Centre for the event. Faculty, staff, and student representatives from across the university were in attendance, meeting students and families, taking questions, and distributing literature about UWindsor. Our display facilitates one-on-one conversations between prospective students and our volunteers, who shared what makes a University of Windsor education distinctive and rewarding. A superb team effort!

2. Recruitment—Fall Open House

On October 28th, we hosted Open House here on the Windsor campus. Inside the Toldo Lancer Centre, prospective students met with a variety of faculty, staff, and students from across the university. These informal sessions were supplemented by program sessions given across campus, lab demonstrations, and campus tours. In all, over 3000 students and guests attended the fair, which is up from last year. Our community did an excellent job of representing the University on this important day. Thanks to all!

3. Faculty Commendation of Excellence—Sport Management Program

The quest for academic excellence is at the heart of everything we do at the University of Windsor. Thus, we are pleased to recognize in the Senate minutes news that our Master of Sport Management and Leadership has been named the best graduate program in sports business in all of Canada. The recently released yearly ranking by Sport Business, a global consulting and analysis firm which issues a leading trade publication in the field, notes that the UWindsor program is not only the best in Canada, but among the best in the world. As Associate Professor Terry Eddy, the faculty's graduate admissions coordinator, says: "We are proud . . . to be recognized with the elite company of programs around the world."

4. Student Commendation of Excellence—History Graduate Student Award

Willow Key, currently a MA student in History, recently won an Architectural Conservancy Ontario NextGen Award that "recognizes an individual early in their career for outstanding contributions to the field of heritage, and a clear commitment to conservation work, advocacy, heritage craft, and/or community engagement." This award recognizes her work on the McDougall Street Corridor project, which was funded by the Anti-Black Racism Student Leadership Engagement Grant program. The grant applicants were Heidi Jacobs and Sarah Glassford (Leddy Library) and Irene Moore Davis of the Essex County Black Historical Research Society.

5. Campus Update—Leadership searches

Searches for two Senate governed administrative positions, chaired by the provost, are moving along nicely. The search committee for the next Dean of the Faculty of Science will soon be reviewing candidates in preparation for first-round interviews. The search committee for the Associate Vice President, Academic has been formed, an ad has been placed, and we will soon develop interview questions and scoring grid. We are on schedule for both these searches and will provide regular updates to the Senate.