

University Governance Representation

Rationale

Students are a component of the membership of university governance bodies. The process for populating these bodies with students lies with SAMU.

A clear and consistent process facilitates the effectiveness and efficiency of the election of students for university governance bodies.

Definitions

A **committee**, in this procedure, refers to a standing committee, as listed in Appendix A, or an ad hoc committee of MacEwan University.

Regulations

General Eligibility

- **1** Applicants for university governance must be current students of MacEwan University in good academic standing.
- **2** Applicants must meet other eligibility requirements for the particular university governance body, if any exist, in order for the nomination to be further considered.

Faculty and School Councils

3 Student representation on faculty and school councils will be determined by the bylaws of each faculty or school council.

Committees

4 Student representation on committees will be determined by the relevant terms of reference.

Selection Process

- **5** A general call for applications for university governance membership occurs in the winter term and includes membership in faculty and school councils and any current committees.
- **6** The Executive Committee reviews applicants for each faculty and school council, and committees, and selects qualified applicants.
 - **6.1** Executive Committee may remove student representatives who are not fulfilling the expectations of the appointed position.

7 Vacancies may be filled throughout the year.





8 An honourairum is provided to student members of standing committees, as listed in Appendix A, at the end of their appointed term.

- **8.1** Honouriam is awarded at a rate of \$15 per meeting attended.
- **8.2** Honouraim is limited to a value of \$120 per committee per year.
- **8.3** Executive Committee members are not eligible for this recognition.

Miscellaneous

- **9** SAMU communicates appointments or selections to the university.
- **10** SAMU provides students with an orientation to their role and ongoing support as needed.
- **11** Successful applicants will remain in communication with SAMU throughout the term of their university governance membership.



Appendix A

MacEwan University Standing Committees

Committee Name	Number of Student at Large Representatives
Council on Student Affairs	2
Faculty of Arts & Sciences Council	4
Faculty of Fine Arts & Communication Council	5
Faculty of Health and Community Studies	2
Faculty of Nursing Council	3
School of Business Council	4
Library Council	1
Research Ethics Board	2
Animal Research Ethics Board	2
Sexual Violence Prevention and Education	2
Advisory Committee	
Book of the Year Committee	1
Total Student Representatives	28





Fact Sheet

Approvals:

First Approval - April 30, 2014 Last Approval - December 11, 2024

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Related Documents and Forms:

Source and Updates:

April 30, 2014: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2014-04-30-4 on the recommendation of the Procedure Review Ad Hoc Committee. Source material drawn from *Procedure 20 – AGC Alternate Appointments*.

July 6, 2016: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2016-07-06-4 on the recommendation of the Procedure Sub Committee. Recognition for student members of MacEwan University Committees added, as well as Appendix A listing the MacEwan University Committees requiring student members.

December 14, 2016: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2016-12-14-11 on the recommendation of the Procedure Sub Committee. Update of term from fall to winter.

March 14, 2018: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2018-03-14-4 on the recommendation of the Procedure Sub-Committee. Committee recognition amount increased from \$50 to \$60.

June 10, 2020: *University Governance Representation* approved by Execuive Committee motion E2020-06-10-3 on the recommendation of the Procedure Sub-Committee. Committee names updated to remain current and recognition changed to \$15 per meeting attended.

June 16, 2021: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2021-06-16-4. Updated the definition of 'committee' to include ad hoc committees of MacEwan University

February 23, 2022: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2022-03-23-3. Updates included adding a maximum dollar amount to recognition per year and bringing Appendix A up to date.

July 13, 2022: *University Governance Representation* approved by Executive Committee motion E2022-07-13-4. Updates include changing the per meeting rate for students-at-large who sit on General Faculties Council, and providing for cash remuneration instead of a gift card.

February 14, 2023: *University Governance Representation* procedure approved by Executive Committee motion E2023-02-14-6. Updated to remove redundancies and General Faculties Council rep, which is captured in the Board of Governors and General Faculties Council Representation procedure.



Procedure

May 29, 2024: *University Governance Representation* procedure approved by Executive Committee motion 2024-05-29-1. Updated to change recognition being in the form of a 'gift card' to being a cash honourarium.

December 11, 2024: *University Governance Representation* Procedure approved by Executive Committee motion 2024-12-11-6 on the recommendation of the Procedure Sub-Committee. Updates numbers of Student -at-Large committee members in Appendix A.