

GFC Nominee to the Board of Governors Nomination and Election Guidelines

Post-Secondary Learning Act (PSLA)

In Section 16(3) the PSLA requires that a member of the academic staff of the University of Alberta nominated by General Faculties Council (GFC) serve on the Board of Governors.

Nominations

Through at least two weeks, but preferably four weeks, of messaging broadcasted to all academic staff members at the University, interested members will be encouraged to self nominate for the role. The GFC Secretary will also ask Faculty Deans to notify all academic staff that nominations are being sought.

The University of Alberta is committed to ensuring in their membership and processes, its governing bodies are inclusive of Indigenous worldviews and diverse knowledges and perspectives. This is why messaging will encourage applications from individuals who are or have been historically underrepresented at the University of Alberta, including women, visible minorities, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ2S+ persons. In acknowledgement of the fact that a self-nomination process does not always support increased representational diversity, Faculty Deans may consider developing an internal process for encouraging nominations from equity-denied groups and are encouraged to consult with the Offices of the Vice-Provost (Indigenous Programming and Research) and the Vice-Provost (Equity, Diversity and Inclusion).

Nominees must submit an application form which includes:

- A Biographical Sketch (approximately 150 words)
- A Statement of Interest (approximately 150 words)
- A Statement outlining commitments to, experiences with, or interest in advancing Indigenous Initiatives or matters related to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (approximately 150 words)

Application information is compiled into a nominee profile and circulated to GFC for election.

Eligibility

Nominees must be employed in <u>Category A</u> throughout the term of appointment to the Board and, in addition, must be willing and able to serve for the full term of the appointment on a continuous basis. A full term on the Board is normally three years (PSLA S 56).

Elections

- The method of election will be by a ranked-choice electronic voting form sent to all members of GFC.
- 50% of GFC voting members will constitute a quorum for the election.
- The voting results will be held in confidence and destroyed one month after the conclusion of the election.
- The individual chosen will be nominated by GFC for appointment by the Minister.
- The Executive Committee of General Faculties Council shall be the sole judge of all questions which are incidental to the voting or to the counting of votes.



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<u>Links</u>

- Board Principle Documents
- GFC Terms of Reference
- GFC Principle Documents

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