

Senate Elections: Faculty – Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry constituency

The following faculty members have been nominated for the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry constituency on the Senate (term from July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2017). The statements and photos of candidates, if available, have been included below.

1. **DEKABAN**, Gregory A. – Schulich, Microbiology & Immunology
2. **LAIRD**, Dale W. – Schulich, Anatomy & Cell Biology
3. **LEUNG**, Stan – Schulich, Physiology & Pharmacology

DEKABAN, Gregory A.



I have served as a Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry representative to the University Senate and as a Senator on the University Research Board for the last two years. Important changes to funding and regulation of research are occurring. It is important that the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry be at the table to have our concerns heard. I seek re-election on Senate so I may continue to represent the best interest of our Faculty.

LAIRD, Dale W.



Dr. Dale W Laird is a Professor in Anatomy and Cell Biology, and in Physiology and Pharmacology (SSMD) and a Canada Research Chair (Tier I) in Gap Junctions and Disease. His research interest encompasses studies related to the function of gap junction proteins, connexins, and a related family of channel proteins, pannexins, in health and disease. He has published over 120 peer-reviewed articles in cell, development and cancer biology and serves as a past or current Editorial Board member for the *Journal of Biological Chemistry* and *Biochemical Journal*. He Co-Chaired and organized the International Gap Junction Conference in 2005 and the 1st Canadian Colloquium on Gap Junctions and Disease in 2014 while serving for more than a decade as Chair, Scientific Officer or Member of a CIHR grant review panel. Dr. Laird has been the recipient of the Premier's Research Excellence Award, the CIHR Investigator Award, the prestigious Quality of Life Research Award from the CIHR, a Faculty Scholar Award and the Dean's Research Excellence Award.

LEUNG, Stan



I am seeking election to the Senate in the constituency of the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. I have interests in graduate education and scientific research. My experience includes serving on a graduate education committee for 25 years, including Graduate Chair of the Physiology Program and Director of the Neuroscience Graduate Program. I wish to participate in making policies that will enhance Western position as a leading research and education institution.