FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

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COMPOSITION AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. The Faculty of Health Sciences shall consist of the following Schools/Programs: the Schools of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Health Studies, Kinesiology, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and the Arthur Labatt Family School of Nursing, and two Faculty-wide Programs: the Graduate Programs in Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and Advanced Health Care Practice.

Requests to establish a new School shall be initiated by the Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences and shall be submitted to Senate.

2. The Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences shall be responsible to Senate and shall be composed of:

   a. The following ex officio members:

      i. The President & Vice-Chancellor
      ii. The Provost & Vice-President (Academic)
      iii. The Vice-President (Research)
      iv. The Dean of Health Sciences who shall be Chair of the Council
      v. The Vice-Provost (Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies)
      vi. The CEO of London Health Sciences Centre, or designate
      vii. The CEO of St. Joseph’s Health Care London, or designate
      viii. The Medical Officer of Health of London Middlesex Health Unit, or designate
      ix. The President of the Faculty of Health Sciences Student Council

   b. The following members:

      i. All full-time (probationary, tenured, and limited term) faculty members of the Faculty, including those who hold joint appointments with other Faculties
      ii. One part-time faculty member of each School of the Faculty, elected by the faculty members of the respective School
iii. One student from each academic program of the Faculty, elected by the students in the respective academic program
iv. One full-time PMA-eligible or UWOSA staff member from each Administrative unit of the Faculty elected or appointed by the staff of the respective units
v. Two full-time members of faculty holding the rank of Lecturer or higher, who are not members of the Faculty of Health Sciences and who are not from the same Faculty (except from the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies), elected by full-time faculty members of Faculty Council.

3. Members of the above categories shall be entitled to participate in the meetings of the Council, i.e., to speak, to propose motions, and to vote.

4. All staff, students and part-time faculty of the Faculty are welcome to attend Faculty Council as visitors, subject to meeting room capacity limitations.

5. The Council shall meet at least four times each year and at such times as the Council or Senate may, from time to time, prescribe. Twenty-five (25) voting members shall constitute a quorum for regular and special meetings of the Council.

6. A special meeting of the Council shall be called on the written notice of 10% of the members of Council. Such notice shall be conveyed to the Chair of Council who shall convene a meeting of Council within seven (7) working days thereafter, to consider the matter or matters set out in the notice.

7. The Council shall advise Senate on all matters under the jurisdiction of the Senate which are pertinent to the Faculty of Health Sciences or which are referred to the Council by the Senate, and shall determine policy on all such matters if so delegated by the Senate.

8. The Council shall establish such committees to exercise its powers and advise it as it considers necessary.

9. Elections held by Council to appoint members to Departmental and Faculty Committees and to other bodies within the University, may be held by electronic vote.

10. Unless otherwise specified by this constitution, the by-laws and regulations for the conduct of the Council’s proceedings shall, where applicable, be those adopted by the Senate.

11. This constitution may be amended by the Senate on the recommendation of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members of the Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences at least fourteen (14) days following written notice of the proposed amendment.