



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Report to Academic Council
at its meeting of May 17, 2011

FOR ACTION

1. Academic Council Elections

The Executive Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the appointments of the following individuals to serve as elected members of Academic Council for three year terms (July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014):

a) Teaching Staff Members:

*Ron Hinch, Professor, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities
Rachid Machrafi, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science*

b) Staff Member:

Maureen Wideman, Faculty Development Consultant, Teaching and Learning Centre

2. Academic Council Standing Committee Nominations

The Executive Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the appointments of the following individuals to serve as members of standing committees of Academic Council for three year terms (July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014):

a) Curriculum and Program Review Committee

*Ying Jiang, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Business and Information Technology
Roland Van Oostveen, Associate Professor, Faculty of Education
Glenn Harvel, Associate Professor, Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science
Helene LeBlanc, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Science*

b) Academic Appeals Committee

*Patrik Olsson, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities
Scott Nokleby, Associate Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science*

c) Graduate Studies Committee

Igor Pioro, Associate Professor, Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science

d) Honorary Degrees Committee

*Doug Holdway, Professor, Faculty of Science
Barbara Perry, Professor, Social Science and Humanities
Carolyn McGregor, Associate Professor, Faculty of Health Sciences*

3. Ad Hoc Committee on Governance – Terms of Reference and Membership

The Executive Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the terms of reference and membership of the ad hoc committee on governance as follows:

Ad Hoc Committee on Governance

I. Mandate

The mandate of the Academic Council Ad Hoc Committee on Governance is to conduct a thorough review of the UOIT governance structure and produce a report that will be forwarded to the Board of Governors. The committee's tenure will end once the report has been approved by Academic Council. The committee shall review the UOIT Act and the UOIT Bylaws in the context of the future structure and role of Academic Council. Furthermore, the committee shall consider the relationship of Academic Council with the University administration and the Board of Governors.

II. Term

The Ad Hoc Committee shall present a preliminary report to the Academic Council at the October 2011 meeting and a final report at the November 2011 meeting

III. Membership

The membership of the Academic Council Ad Hoc Committee on Governance should be representative of the university as a whole and be as inclusive as possible. The membership is not restricted to members of academic council, and should draw on the expertise and experience of members of the university community. The chair of the committee will be elected by the members of the committee. The membership of the committee will be:

- *Two members drawn from senior administration (dean and above)*
- *Five faculty members, at least four of which must be elected teaching faculty representatives of Academic Council*
- *One staff member*
- *One student*

Rationale

At the April Academic Council meeting the following motion was passed:

"That Academic Council approve the establishment of an ad hoc committee to review the UOIT Act. The Academic Council Executive Committee will undertake to develop the membership and terms of reference for this committee, to be inclusive and representative and to be presented to Academic Council for approval at its June meeting or earlier."

UOIT has grown in both size and sophistication since it was founded almost a decade ago and with the tenth anniversary of our founding rapidly approaching now is a good time to review the governance of the university. The original governance structure served UOIT well in its initial growth stage when many aspects of the university were in flux, but as the university evolves so must its governance structure. The purpose of the governance committee is to review the current structure of UOIT, both in theory and in practice, and recommend changes to Academic Council. Upon approval by Academic Council, the committee's report will be forwarded to the Board of Governors for information.

4. Regulations on Academic Dress – Amendments

The Executive Committee recommends:

That Academic Council approve the amendments to the Regulation on Academic Dress as outlined in the attached.

Rationale

The Regulation on Academic Dress, approved by Academic Council in March 2004, was designed to define and guide in the protocols of academic dress at convocation and other ceremonial events. The protocol has since been extended to include degrees and disciplines that were implemented after the regulation was developed, including master's and honorary degrees. This year, with the anticipated graduation of two doctoral candidates, it is timely to revisit this regulation and make the necessary to reflect the changes that have taken place since 2004 and to anticipate the introduction of additional program streams as the university continues to grow and develop.

To this end, the attached amendments specify the ceremonial regalia to be worn by graduates across the full range of degrees conferred by UOIT. New doctoral gowns have been designed that will be distinctive to UOIT, incorporating the university colours of dark blue and light blue. The colours of the hoods follow the disciplinary colours set out by the Academic Costume Code, and the chart has therefore been re-oriented on this basis to allow new programs of study to be developed within existing degree designations and at different levels without requiring further amendments to the regulation.



REGULATIONS GOVERNING ACADEMIC DRESS

Academic Council designates the academic dress to be worn at all ceremonial functions. The academic dress symbolizes a graduate's achievement in attaining a degree and becoming a member of the University alumni community. At UOIT, all graduates must wear an academic gown, with a hat and hood. The gowns of Bachelor's and Master's graduates are black. The gowns of Doctoral graduates are dark blue and trimmed in light blue. Mortarboards are worn by Bachelor's and Master's graduates, and velvet bonnets are worn by Doctoral graduates.

~~Their~~The hoods of graduates shall be black, with an inside lining of royal blue as the colour of the university. The hoods shall be trimmed with velvet in the colour distinctive of the ~~Faculty or degree.~~

Degree	Degree	Colour
BA (Hons)	<u>Arts</u>	White
BASc (Hons) BASc & Mgt (Hons)	<u>Applied Science, Applied Science & Management</u>	Orange
BCom (Hons)	<u>Commerce, Business Administration</u>	Drab <u>Light Olive Brown</u>
BEd	<u>Education</u>	Light Blue
BEng (Hons) BEng & Mgt (Hons)	<u>Engineering, Engineering & Management</u>	Orange
	<u>Health Science, Allied Health Science</u>	<u>Salmon</u>
	<u>Information Technology, Information Technology Security</u>	<u>Light Olive Brown</u>
	<u>Law (honoris causa)</u>	<u>Purple</u>
	<u>Philosophy (PhD)</u>	<u>Philosophy Blue¹</u>
BSc BSc (Hons) BSc & Mgt (Hons)	<u>Science, Science & Management, Science (honoris causa)</u>	Golden Yellow
BScN (Hons)	<u>Science in Nursing</u>	Apricot

The University President and Chancellor shall wear gowns that are distinctive of the positions they hold in the University community.

University Governors, officers, faculty and staff who participate in the Convocation ceremony shall wear the academic dress distinctive of the institution from which they graduated and the degree they received. Members of the academic procession who have not been awarded a degree shall wear a black gown.

(Approved by Academic Council, 16 March 2004, under review March 2011)

¹ Dark blue signifies a "mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field that is attested to by the awarding of this degree and is not intended to represent the field of philosophy."