



# Wilfrid Laurier University Senate Summary (Open Agenda)

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## Senate Meeting May 19, 2021

### **Reports (written and/or verbal) were provided by the following:**

- President and Vice Chancellor
- Provost & VP: Academic
- Senator on the Board of Governors
- Senior Executives (consent agenda)
- COU Academic Colleague (consent agenda)

### **The following business was conducted by Senate:**

The Senate recommended to the Board of Governors for approval:

- The 2021-2022 Budget Report

The Senate approved:

- Revisions to the Credential Innovation Framework
- A change to the minimum progression requirements for honours BA, BSc, BDes, and BFAA programs from the current GPA of 5.0 overall and 5.0 in the major to an overall GPA of 4.0
- A change to the alternate (non-honours) graduation requirements for BA, BSc, BDes and BFAA programs to an overall GPA of 4.0 and major GPA of 4.0
- Changes to the current Adult Student Admission Policy, including a renaming to Mature Student Admission Policy and an update to the criteria used to admit non-traditional applicants under this policy
- The creation of an undergraduate admissions pathway to unclassified studies
- Changes to the Undergraduate Transfer Credit Policy for university courses completed from Spring 2020 through to the end of Spring 2021, where a final grade notation of pass/credit is presented, that transfer credit be awarded and considered in addition to other criteria for undergraduate admission, to a maximum of 0.5 Pass/CR credits per academic term for each of the terms from Spring 2020 to end of Spring 2021
- The deletion of MA455 and the addition of MA306 as a requirement for the BBA/FinMath double degree program
- The degree designation change for the KPE Masters program to a Master of Science (MSc) in Kinesiology
- Program requirement changes for the Department of Kinesiology Masters program as outlined in the calendar description
- A change to Senate By-law 4.7.a. moving approval of the Senate agenda from the Executive Committee to the Chair of Senate
- The Faculty apportionment of Senate for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 academic years
- The continuation, with review in 3 years, of the faculty research centre, the Manulife Centre for Community Health Research (MCCHR)
- The continuation, with review in 3 years, of the faculty research centre, the Laurier Centre for Music in the Community (LCMC)
- The continuation, with review in three years, of the university research centre, the Tshepo Institute for the Study of Contemporary Africa (Tshepo)
- The continuation, with review in three years, of the university research centre, the International Migration Research Centre (IMRC)

- The continuation, with review in three years, of the university research centre, the Interdisciplinary Research Institute for Mathematical and Statistical Modelling in Scientific Discovery, Innovation and Sustainability (MS2Discovery)
- The termination of the faculty research centre, the Movement Disorders Research and Rehabilitation Centre (MDRC)
- Minutes from the April 12, 2021 Senate meeting (consent agenda)
- Editorial updates to the Senate By-laws and Regulations (consent agenda)
- Senate and Senate Executive Meeting Dates for 2021-22 and 2022-23 (consent agenda)

The Senate deferred revisions to Policy 2.7, Non-Credit Programming to the September 2021 Senate meeting.

The Senate held a confidential *in camera* session.

The Senate received the following information (not for approval):

- Student Teaching Awards 2020-2021 (consent agenda)
- Laurier Strategy: 2019-2024, Spring 2021 Report Back (consent agenda)

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The agenda can be found on [wlu.ca](http://wlu.ca). For Laurier Faculty and staff, a full agenda package for the meeting with details of motions and background information, can be found on [Laurier Connect](#).

The next Senate meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2021.

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