

Faculty of Law Constitutional Documents April 1941 to March 2021

Attached is a series of documents that currently sets forth the Faculty of Law's divisional constitution. The Faculty of Law's practice is to establish changes to our governance by Resolutions passed at Faculty Council.

1. Statute Number 1507, "Respecting the School of Law of the University of Toronto; By the Senate of the University of Toronto." April 10, 1941.
2. Report Number 22 of the Academic Affairs Committee, approving Resolutions of March 7, 1973 and April 21, 1972 (with Attachment dated April 12, 1973). June 13, 1973.
3. Report Number 50 of the Academic Affairs Committee, approving Resolution on SLA President. May 7, 1974.
4. Letter to Dr. D.A.Chant, Vice President & Provost, announcing Faculty's alteration of student representation to include two members from the first year. December 11, 1978.
5. Report Number 158 of the Academic Affairs Committee, recommending that the Constitution of the Faculty of Law be amended to include the *ex officio* membership of the President of the University. November 22, 1979.
6. Memorandum to Members of Faculty Council announcing approval of the Resolution of the Council of the Faculty of Law relating to student membership on and committees of Faculty Council. November 30, 1979.
7. Notice of Motion of Resolution on first year student voting. October 14, 1980. Adopted October 20, 1980.
8. Resolution with Respect to Membership of Faculty Council and its Committees. Approved by Faculty Council March 3, 1993 and Approved by the Academic Board June 3, 1993. June 3, 1993.
9. Resolution Accepting Delegated Authority on Major and Minor Modifications. Adopted at Faculty Council. March 28, 2012.
10. Resolution Re: Faculty Council Governing Documents Amending Formula. Adopted at Faculty Council, March 31, 2021

Passed April 10th, 1941

Respecting the School of Law of the University
of Toronto

BY THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

BE IT ENACTED:

1. THAT the Faculty of Law of the University of Toronto, at present in existence, be known henceforth as the School of Law of the University of Toronto;
2. THAT there be a Council to be known as "The Council of the School of Law of the University of Toronto";
3. THAT the said Council consist of the President of the University, the Chairman of the faculty of the School of Law and the full-time members of the teaching faculty of the School of Law;
4. THAT the Chairman of the said faculty be appointed by the President and act as Chairman of the said Council;
5. THAT the teaching faculty of the said School include the teaching members of the Department of Law in the Faculty of Arts for the time being;
6. THAT the powers and duties of the said Council be to
 - (a) make rules and regulations for governing its proceedings, including the determining of the quorum necessary for the transaction of business;
 - (b) subject to the provisions of the University Act (R.S.O., 1937, Chap. 372) and to the approval of the Board of Governors, make rules and regulations for the government, direction, and management of the School and the affairs and business thereof;
 - (c) fix and determine the courses of study, subject to the approval of the Senate;
 - (d) subject to the approval of and confirmation by the Senate, appoint the examiners for and conduct the examinations of the courses of study prescribed by the School, and determine the results of such examinations;
 - (e) deal with and, subject to an appeal to the Senate, decide upon all applications and memorials by students or others in connection with the School;
 - (f) consider and report to the Senate upon such matters affecting the School as to the Council may seem meet;
7. THAT this Statute come into effect on July 1st, 1941.

President.

Countersigned:

Deputy

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

REPORT NUMBER 22 OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

To the Governing Council,
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Wednesday,
~~June 14th, 1973~~ in the Council Chamber, Faculty of Pharmacy, at which the
following were present:

Professor R. M. H. Shepherd (Chairman)
Mrs. Norma Grindal (Vice-Chairman)
The President, Dr. J. R. Evans
Professor W. D. Baines
Dean J. Beckwith
Professor John E. Dove
Professor J. B. Dunlop
Professor W. B. Dunphy
Dr. A. M. Fallis
Dr. J. C. Laidlaw
Mr. John D. Morton
Mrs. Marnie Paikin

Mr. D. A. Pomfret
Professor B. P. Stoicheff
Professor D. F. Forster,
Vice-President and Provost
Dr. J. D. Hamilton,
Vice-Provost
Professor P. P. M. Meincke,
Vice-Provost
Miss M. Salter, Secretary

By Invitation:

Mr. R. Anderson,
President,
Students' Administrative Council

Professor R. E. Scane,
Associate Dean,
Faculty of Law

Mr. Paul Cadario,
Chairman,
Internal Affairs Committee

Professor J. W. Steiner,
Associate Dean,
Faculty of Medicine

Professor J. K. Conway,
Vice-President - Internal Affairs

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

1. Report of the Previous Meeting

The report of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, June 5th,
1973 was approved.

2. Business Arising out of the Report

Response to COPSEO Report

The Committee agreed that since this was the final meeting,
the Task Force on the COPSEO Report be authorized to prepare a report for the
President as soon as possible. This would not be an approved response from
the Academic Affairs Committee, but the opinion of the members of the Task
Force.

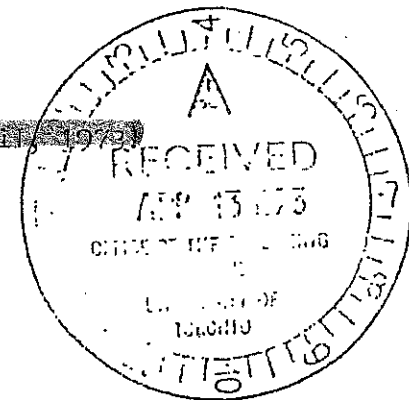
3. Change in the Composition of the Council of the Faculty of Law

Professor Scane presented and reviewed the proposal concerning
the composition of the Council of the Faculty of Law and its procedures, a
copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "A".

The Committee agreed

THAT the amended composition and procedures of
the Council of the Faculty of Law be approved.

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Mr. D.S. Claringbold,
Secretary to the Governing Council,
Simcoe Hall,
University of Toronto.

Dear Mr. Claringbold,

On March 7th, 1973, the Council of the Faculty of Law passed the following resolution:

"That two alumni be added to Faculty Council as voting members; that they be chosen annually by the Law Alumni Association; and that the alumni members of Faculty Council be subject to the same conditions with respect to exclusion from meetings as are student members."

As there is some doubt in our minds as to whether certain previous changes were in fact approved by the Board of Governors, the existing composition of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Law is the composition as established by the University of Toronto Act, as varied by resolutions of Council passed on February 28, 1969, April 24, 1970, November 30, 1971 and April 21, 1972.

In brief, three students were added to Council by the February 28, 1969 resolution, and the number was increased to a ratio of one student to three full-time faculty members (then, and presently involving ten student members) by the April 24, 1970 resolution. The remaining resolutions involved mode of election of student members and other matters of detail.

A consolidated resolution, incorporating all of the changes referred to above was passed on April 21, 1972, and reads as follows:

1. A. That the number of student members of the Faculty Council be maintained at a ratio of approximately three full-time faculty members to one student member and that since there will be at least 29 full-time faculty members on the Council as of July 1, 1970, 10 students be added as voting members of the Council, subject to the conditions set forth below;

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- B. That the President of the Students' Law Society be one of the student members of the Faculty Council and that the remaining student members be elected from only the first and second year classes at the end of February each year by all students in the three years; provided however, that at least three of such remaining student members shall be students from each of the first and second year classes; provided further, however, that such remaining student members shall be elected at an election held specifically and solely for the purpose of electing them members of the Faculty Council, and that such election may be held contemporaneously with the election of officers to the Students' Law Society Council and nothing contained herein shall prevent a student from serving as a member of the Faculty Council concurrently with his being a member of the Students' Law Society Council;
- C. That the term of the student members of the Council commence on July 1 of each year and end on June 30 of each year, with the exception of the President of the Students' Law Society, whose term shall commence upon his election as President and end upon the election of his successor in office or until he no longer remains in office, whichever occurs first;
- D. That subject to paragraphs E, F, and G below, Faculty Council meetings shall be open to students in the Faculty of Law and to part-time instructors in the Faculty of Law;
- E. That no student in the Faculty of Law and no student member of the Council shall be entitled to be present during the discussion of or vote upon;
- (1) any matter involving the academic standing or scholastic offences of any individual student;
 - (2) any matter which may involve the appointment, promotion, salary or tenure of any member of the Faculty; or
 - (3) any matter upon which the Faculty Council deems that participation by students would be inappropriate.

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- F. That no person not a member of Council shall be entitled to take part in any debate of Council, or address Council, unless invited to do so by Council;
 - G. That the Faculty Council may, by resolution passed at any time before or during a meeting other than a meeting to which Paragraph E applies, exclude some or all persons who are not members of the Council from attending the meeting and in such case, the student members of the Council shall observe the same limitations upon disclosure of discussion at meetings of Council that are recognized by all other members.
 - H. That the Dean is hereby authorized to designate the place and time for the holding of the Council meetings as he sees fit, subject to such requirements as to notice as may from time to time be established by Council.
- II.
- A. That the present standing committees of the Faculty Council, except the Graduate Committee and the Admissions Committee viz. the Curriculum, Library and the Joint Staff-Student Committees have student representatives who shall be student members of the Faculty Council, with the exception of the Joint Staff-Student Committee which shall have one member of the first year class who shall be the first year representative of the Students' Law Society who received the greatest number of votes in the annual election for first year representatives;
 - B. That, subject to paragraph C, there be substantial student representation on the Curriculum, Library and Joint Staff-Student Committees.
 - C. That the Joint Staff-Student Committee consist of an equal number of faculty members and of students and that such Committee is hereby empowered to discuss and, upon discussion, attempt to reach consensus among its members on any matter referred to it by any student or by the Council of the Faculty.

To clarify the situation, we request that you place before the Governing Council, or its appropriate committee, for consideration, and, if thought fit, approval, of:

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- (i) The amendments to the constitution of the Council of the Faculty of Law, governing the membership and voting rights in the Council, as set forth in the consolidating resolution dated April 21, 1972;
- (ii) The amendment to the Constitution of the Council of the Faculty of Law, as amended by the consolidating resolution dated April 21, 1972, as passed by Council on March 7th, 1973, and set forth at the beginning of this letter.

We recognize that some of the matters referred to, such as the provision for constitution of the Council for dealing with scholastic offences, involve matters which are currently under review by the Governing Council or its Committees, and that, if, as and when the Governing Council determines a university-wide policy, some of these provisions may be automatically superceded. Until that time, however, it is our view that the Council as constituted by these resolutions, under which (save as to the addition of alumni) we have in fact been operating, has demonstrated itself as successful for the purposes of this Faculty.

Yours very truly,



R. E. Seane,
Associate Dean.

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REPORT NUMBER 50 OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - ~~REVISION 10/74~~1. Additional Recommendations Arising Out of the Hygiene Task Force Report (Cont'd)

Dean Butler was asked about the usual procedure for the selection of chairmen of graduate departments and he explained that in cases where the undergraduate chairman was not the same as the graduate chairman, the School of Graduate Studies had asked the President to set up a search committee. In the Division of Community Health, there would not be an undergraduate department.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

THAT search committees be convened as soon as possible to identify candidates for the position of Associate Dean of the Division of Community Health and for the Chairmanships of the new Departments. If possible, appointments to these positions should be made soon enough to become effective from the date of establishment of the reorganized structures, or earlier if appropriate. In the case of the search committee for the new department chairmen, including chairmen of graduate departments, the President should be given special authority, in striking each committee, to select and name an appropriate chairman of the committee.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

2. Amendments to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine

Dr. Steiner presented and reviewed proposed amendments to the constitution of the Faculty of Medicine, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "A". It was noted that these were minor.

It was pointed out that the representation added from outside the Faculty was minimal.

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

The amendments to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "A".

3. Amendments to the Constitution of the Faculty of Law

There was a brief discussion of the proposed amendment to the constitution of the Faculty of Law, during which it was explained that the change was proposed to enable the President of the Students' Law Society to continue as a member of the Faculty Council until the end of the session, although his or her successor had been elected and will also automatically be a member of the Faculty Council.

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

The following amendment to the Constitution of the Faculty of Law:

"THAT the President of the Students' Law Society whose normal term of office has ended, shall continue to sit on Faculty Council until June 30th, next following with the right to participate in all proceedings of Council and, in the event that his or her successor as President already sits as an elected member of Faculty Council, with the right to vote."

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~~December 11, 1978~~

Dr. D.A. Chant
Vice-President & Provost
Simcoe Hall
University of Toronto
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Dr. Chant:

The Faculty of Law submits to the Academic Affairs Committee for their information and approval, if necessary, changes in the student representation on the Faculty Council.

Student representation will remain at ten members. However, starting in the Fall of 1979, there will be two representatives from First year. At the present time, there is no provision for representation from First year.

In accordance with the changes approved at the Faculty Council meeting of December 6, 1973, student representation from the Fall of 1979 will be as follows:

- 2 students from First year
- 3 students from Second year
- 3 students from Third year
- 1 student from either Second or Third year
- The President of the Students' Law Society

Yours very truly,

(Ms.) Marie T. Huxter

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cc. Dean Friedland

2. Business Arising Out of the Report (Cont'd)Item 6 - Proposal for a Faculty of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (Cont'd)

for the period July 1st, 1980, to January 31st, 1983; that the Dean of the Faculty serve as Acting Chairman of the Department of Architecture until such time as a Chairman can be appointed following the establishment and recommendation of a search committee according to the Haist Rules;

- 5) THAT a Faculty Council be established with a constitution to be developed, subject to the approval of Governing Council, no later than December 31st, 1980;
- 6) THAT the Dean of the Faculty bring forward to the Vice-President and Provost and the Vice-President - Research and Planning and Registrar, a comprehensive statement of objectives, plans and priorities for the Faculty in the light of existing corresponding statements for its programmes, as soon as possible after July 1st, 1980 but no later than December 31st, 1980; and
- 7) THAT the Faculty be allowed to retain the existing different Grading Practices for the two departments, and that this be subject to review by the Office of the Vice-President and Provost no later than December 31st, 1981.

3. Order of Business

The Chairman asked that the Committee vary the order of business to consider the Constitution of the Faculty of Law as the next item on the agenda.

4. Faculty of Law - Proposed Constitution

At the invitation of the Chairman, Dean Iacobucci introduced the amended Constitution for the Council of the Faculty of Law.

In outlining the changes to the Constitution, Dean Iacobucci noted that first year students would now be allowed to sit as members of the Council and there was provision also for a representative of the graduates students to be a non-voting member. He referred to an amendment proposed by Professor Chant to allow the President to be an ex-officio member of the Council and stated that there was provision for this in the University of Toronto Act and the Faculty of Law would have no objection. He pointed out that the new Constitution did not entirely replace everything that had gone before. There was presently an issue before the Faculty Council relating to academic appeals and this would likely result in a constitutional revision at some time in the near future.

After a brief discussion of some of the details of the proposed Constitution,

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

THAT the Constitution of the Faculty of Law, with an amendment to Section 2(a) to include in accordance with the University of Toronto Act, Section 75(1), the ex-officio membership of the President of the University, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "A", be approved.

FACULTY OF LAW
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
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THE DEAN

~~November 30, 1979~~

Memorandum to Members of Faculty Council

Re: Constitution of the Faculty of Law

On November 22, 1979, the Academic Affairs Committee of Governing Council approved the Resolution of the Council of the Faculty of Law relating to membership on and committees of Faculty Council. Pursuant to the Resolution, Council is required to establish the number of student members of Council in the ratio of approximately three Faculty Members to one Student Member. Accordingly, I propose the attached resolution for adoption by the Council at the meeting on December 5, 1979.

Frank Iacobucci
Frank Iacobucci

WHEREAS, by a Resolution of the Council of the Faculty of Law, passed on the 11th day of April, 1979, and approved by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Governing Council of the University on the 22nd day of November, 1979, Council is required to establish from time to time by resolution, the number of Student Members of Council which will maintain a ratio of three Faculty Members to one Student Member, as nearly as may be,

AND WHEREAS, at the date hereof, there are 31 Faculty Members of Council

BE IT RESOLVED that, until further resolution of this Council, there shall be ten Student Members of the Council of the Faculty of Law.



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~~October 14, 1980~~

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MEMORANDUM TO: Faculty Council

FROM: C. W. Morgan

**NOTICE OF MOTION OF A SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO AMEND
THE RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF FACULTY
COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES**

On October 8, 1980 the students of the Law School voted by way of referendum to alter the method by which students are elected to the Students' Law Society and the Faculty Council. The alteration does not affect the source of candidates (i.e. how many from each year), it only affects the voting constituency (who can vote for whom).

Without these changes, the existing procedure would allow all students to vote for any candidate in any election. The change would allow only first year students to vote for the first year representatives on SLS and Faculty Council in the Fall term by-election. In all other elections all students would continue to be eligible to vote for any candidate from any year.

This change affecting both the SLS and Faculty Council requires an amendment to each of their respective constitutions. A student referendum relating to the SLS Constitution is self-executing. A student referendum relating to the Constitution of the Faculty Council is not. It merely expresses what the students want. The change must be approved by a majority of the members of Faculty Council and then be approved by Governing Council.

As a result, the following special resolution to amend the Resolution with Respect to Membership of Faculty Council and its Committees will be moved at the meeting of Faculty Council to be held on October 22, 1980

RESOLVED THAT "A. Resolution with Respect to the Membership of Faculty Council and its Committees", as enacted by Faculty Council on April 11, 1979 be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 6(c) is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"(c) The term of the Student Members from the First Year Class elected pursuant to section 4(c) hereof, shall begin upon their election and shall end on 30 June next following."

2. Paragraph 4(c) is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"(c) Two members from the First Year Class, to be elected during the first week of October."

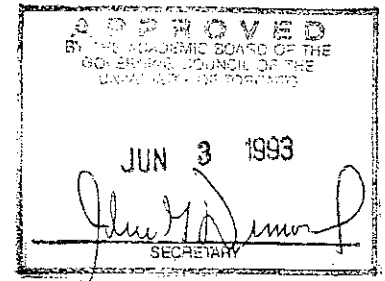
3. Paragraph 5(b) is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"(b) (i) All full-time undergraduate students in the Faculty shall be eligible to vote at the election of Student Members to be elected pursuant to section 4(d) hereof; and,

(ii) Only full-time undergraduate students of the First Year Class in the Faculty shall be eligible to vote at the election of Student Members to be elected pursuant to section 4(c) hereof.

FACULTY OF LAW
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THE DEAN



**"AS AMENDED BY FACULTY COUNCIL MARCH 3, 1993 AND APPROVED
BY THE ACADEMIC BOARD, JUNE 3, 1993"**

**A RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF
FACULTY COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES**

1. In this resolution,

Definitions:

- (a) "Alumni Member" means a person who holds an LL.B., LL.M. or D.Jur degree from the University, who has been selected by the Association as a member of Council, in a manner accepted by Council, or, if no such selection has been made by the Association, by Council, to represent the alumni and alumnae of the Faculty on Council.
- (b) "Association" means The Law Alumni Association.
- (c) "Council" means the Council of the Faculty.
- (d) "Faculty" means the Faculty of Law of the University.
- (e) "Faculty Member" means a member of the teaching staff of the Faculty who:
 - (i) holds a tenured appointment in the Faculty, or
 - (ii) holds an appointment in the Faculty under which the member is entitled to proceed towards consideration for tenure according to procedures established from time to time by the University, or
 - (iii) holds some other academic appointment in the Faculty, is a full-time employee of the University, and has heretofore been appointed as a member of Council by a resolution of Council, or is hereafter appointed as a member of Council by a Special Resolution.

- (f) "G.L.S.A." means The Graduate Law Students' Association.
- (g) "Special Resolution" means a resolution of Council,
 - (i) of which notice has been given to members of Council not fewer than seven clear days prior to the date of its introduction at a meeting of Council, and
 - (ii) which has been passed by a majority of the members of Council.
- (h) "S.L.S." means The Students' Law Society.
 - (i) "Student Member" means a full-time undergraduate student enrolled in the Faculty who is the President or, where applicable, the immediate Past President of S.L.S. or who has been elected as a member of Council by the full-time undergraduate students of the Faculty in accordance with this resolution and in a manner accepted by Council.
- (j) "University" means the University of Toronto.

2. Composition of Faculty Council
- (a) Council shall be composed of:
 - (i) The Assistant Dean of the Faculty, if he or she is not a Faculty Member.
 - (ii) Two Alumni Members.
 - (iii) The Faculty Members.
 - (iv) That number of Student Members which will maintain a ratio of three Faculty Members to one Student Member, as nearly as may be.
 - (v) The President of the University, ex-officio.
 - (vi) The Chief Librarian.
 - (vii) One representative of G.L.S.A., elected by the graduate students enrolled in the Department of Law in the School of Graduate Studies, in a manner accepted by Council.

- (b) Council shall from time to time establish by resolution the number of Student Members which will conform to section 2(a)(iv) hereof.

- 3. The following persons shall have the right to attend and participate at meetings of Council, but shall not have the right to vote.

Non-Voting
Participants
of Faculty

- (a) Any member of the full-time teaching staff of the Faculty who is not a Faculty Member.
- (b) The immediate Past President of S.L.S., if he or she is not a member.

- 4. The Student Members shall be composed of:

Composition
of Student
Membership

- (a) The President of S.L.S.
- (b) The immediate Past President of S.L.S., if the President of S.L.S. is, immediately prior to his or her election as President, a student member.
- (c) Such number of other Student Members as is required to complete the number established under section 2(b) hereof. The number of Student Members shall be, so far as is possible, equally divided between the first, second and third year classes. In the event the number of Student Members required by virtue of this provision is not evenly divisible by three, the greater representation shall come from either the second or third year class.
- (d) The members of the first year class shall be elected during the first week of October. The members of the second and third year classes shall be elected during the spring term from members of the then current first and second year classes.

- 5. (a) The President of S.L.S shall be chosen in the manner provided from time to time by the Constitution of S.L.S.

- Mode of Election of student Members
- (b) (i) All full-time undergraduate students in the Faculty shall be eligible to vote at the election of Student Members to be elected pursuant to section 4(d) hereof; and,
 - (ii) Only full-time undergraduate students of the First Year Class in the Faculty shall be eligible to vote at the election of Student Members to be elected pursuant to section 4(c) hereof.
 - (c) Student Members, other than the President of S.L.S. and, where applicable, the immediate Past President of S.L.S., shall be chosen at an election held specifically and solely for the purpose of electing members to Council, but such election may be held contemporaneously with an election of officers of S.L.S.
 - (d) A Student Member may be a member of S.L.S Council.
- Term of Office of Student Members
- 6. (a) The term of the President of the S.L.S. as a Student Member shall begin on his or her election as President, and shall end upon the election of his or her successor in office or when he or she ceases to hold that office, whichever occurs first.
 - (b) The term of the immediate Past President of S.L.S. as a Student member or as a non-voting participant of Council, as the case may be, shall begin upon the termination of his or her office as President, and shall end on 30 June next following.
 - (c) The term of the Student Members from the First Year Class elected pursuant to section 4(c) hereof, shall begin upon their election and shall end on 30 June next following.

- (d) The term of the remaining Student Members shall begin on 1 July next following their election, and shall end on 30 June next following.

7. If the seat of a Student Member becomes vacant during the term of office of the student who held that seat,

Vacancy
Occurring
in Seat of a
Student
Member

- (i) If the vacancy occurs in the seat held ex officio by the President of S.L.S., it shall be filled by the person entitled under the Constitution of S.L.S. to assume the duties of President in the event causing such vacancy;
- (ii) if the vacancy occurs in the seat held ex officio by the immediate Past President of S.L.S., the vacancy shall not be filled; and
- (iii) if the vacancy occurs in a seat held by any other Student Member, Council may declare a by-election to fill such vacancy. The term of a Student Member elected by such by-election shall begin upon his or her election and shall end on 30 June next following.

Term of
Alumni
Members

8. (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the term of Alumni Members shall commence 1 July next following their appointment by the Association, and shall end on 30 June next following.

Where Council
May Appoint
Alumni
Members

(b) If a seat held by an Alumni Member is vacant, Council shall request the Association to make an appointment to the vacancy or vacancies within such reasonable time as may be stipulated by Council. If an appointment is not made by the Association in compliance with such request, Council may appoint an Alumni Member or Members, whose term of office shall begin and end at the same times as if the appointment had been made by the Association.

Where Council
May Appoint
Alumni
Members

- (c) If a seat of an Alumni Member is vacant at the time an appointment is made, the term of the person appointed to the vacancy shall begin on his or her appointment and
 - (i) if the appointment is made on or after 1 July and before 1 January, shall end on 30 June next following, or
 - (ii) if the appointment is made on or after 1 January and before 1 July, shall end one year after 30 June next following.

9.
Committees

- (a) Council may from time to time establish standing and special committees, and determine the terms of reference and membership thereof, and may confer upon committees power to act in the name of Council.
- (b) The following standing committees shall have significant student membership drawn from the Student Members:
 - (i) The Admissions Committee
 - (ii) The Joint Staff-Student Committee
 - (iii) The Long-Term Curriculum Committee
 - (iv) The Library Committee
 - (v) The Short-Term Curriculum Committee
- (c) The Joint Staff-Student Committee shall have an equal number of Faculty Members and Student Members, and there shall be at least one Student Member from each undergraduate year.
- (d) The Graduate Committee shall be selected from among Faculty Members who are members of the Department of Law in the School of Graduate Studies.

- Amendment** **10.** This resolution may be amended by a Special Resolution, which shall come into force on the date stipulated in the Special Resolution or when approved by the Governing Council of the University, whichever is the later.
- Coming into force** **11.** This resolution shall come into force on 1 July 1979, or when approved by the Governing Council of the University, whichever is the later.



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
FACULTY OF LAW

Be it resolved: The Faculty Council of the University of Toronto Faculty of Law hereby adopts the following:

- (a) Council shall recommend for approval to the appropriate body of Governing Council proposals for new academic programs;
- (b) have delegated authority to approve proposals for major and minor modifications to existing academic programs;
- (c) have delegated authority to approve transcript notations within existing degree programs in accordance with University policy; and
- (d) establish, terminate, and modify diploma and certificate programs where authority is delegated to the academic divisions in the University's *Policy on Diploma and Certificate Programs*.

The Faculty of Law will make annual reports to the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs on:

- (a) modifications to existing programs that are defined in the *University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process* as "major modifications,"
- (b) the establishment and termination of transcript notations, and
- (c) such actions where reporting is required by the *Policy on Diploma and Certificate Programs*.

The Faculty of Law Faculty Council may delegate its authority for the approval of minor modifications to existing academic programs to appropriate committees. Definitions of major modifications of existing programs, minor modifications, and new academic programs are provided in the *University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process* and are subject to change. Guidance from the Office of the Vice-Provost, Academic Programs, should be sought prior to the development of any such proposal.

Date: 21 March 2012

Resolution adopted unanimously at Faculty Council Meeting of 28 March 2012.

FACULTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Re: Faculty Council Governing Documents Amending Formula

March 31, 2021

Whereas, the University of Toronto Faculty of Law is governed by a Faculty Council consisting of students, faculty, and staff which in turn is governed by a series of constitutional documents⁴ (the “**Governing Documents**”);

Whereas, Faculty Council has the powers and duty to make rules and regulations for governing its proceedings;

Whereas, the above powers and duties are subject to the provisions of the *University of Toronto Act, 1971*, as amended, and the approval, as required or as appropriate, of the Governing Council of the University;

Whereas, the Governing Documents do not provide an amending formula by which Faculty Council may amend its Governing Documents; and

Whereas, the Office of the Governing Council has confirmed that Faculty Council may adopt such an amending formula unilaterally by resolution;

Therefore be it resolved that Faculty Council adopt the following amending formula, and append it to the Governing Documents:

Faculty Council may amend its governing documents by resolution, subject to:

1. notice of amendments, including the text of draft amendments, being given a minimum of fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the Faculty Council meeting at which they are to be voted on;
2. approval from the greater of:
 - a. two-thirds of those members of Faculty Council present and voting at the meeting; or
 - b. a majority of the current members of Faculty Council; and
3. the processes and approval, as required or as appropriate, of the Governing Council of the University of Toronto.

⁴ *Faculty of Law Constitutional Documents April 1941 to March 2012*