

# Academic Quality Assurance Committee: Report to GFC

For the Period July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

## Committee Background

The Academic Quality Assurance Committee (AQAC) is responsible for the “coordination and facilitation of systematic reviews” (General Faculties Council, 1987, p. 1) of the quality of academic units and programs. Membership of AQAC for the period was:

- Alan Siaroff (Chair)
- Craig Coburn
- Danny Balderson
- Emma Scott
- Gage DeSteur (ULSU)
- Kevin McGeough
- Lauren Zink (GSA)
- Lynn Kennedy
- Nicole Eva
- Shandi Bleiken (Resource)
- Vicki Grisack (Resource)

## Meeting Dates

AQAC met on the following dates:

- September 22, 2022
- September 29, 2022
- November 3, 2022
- April 27, 2023
- June 22, 2023

Additional email votes were held.

## Orientation Sessions

AQAC orientation sessions for those beginning a review took place September 23 and November 14, 2022, and February 13, 2023.

## Completed Reviews

The following reviews were closed for the period, with calendar year closed in brackets:

- Department of Drama (2022)
- Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education (2023)
- Department of History (2023)
- Library (2022)
- Department of Art (2023)

Summaries of the findings of these reviews are available at: <http://www.uleth.ca/quality/outcomes>.

## Current Reviews

The following reviews are ongoing:

Review	Start Date
• B.A/B.Sc. Agricultural Studies*	Sep-18
• B.Sc. Environmental Science	Mar-20
• Department of Economics	May-20
• Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics	May-21
• Pre-Professional Transfer Program in Engineering	May-21
• Department of Indigenous Studies	Sep-21
• Department of Political Science	Sep-21

- Master of Arts Sep-21
- Department of Art Jan-22
- Department of English Sep-22
- Department of Philosophy Sep-22
- Department of Physics and Astronomy Sep-22
- B.H.Sc. Addictions Counselling Sep-22
- Indigenous Student Success Cohort Sep-22
- Master of Science Sep-22
- B.H.Sc Public Health Sep-22
- B.H.Sc Therapeutic Recreation Sep-22
- Department of New Media Sep-22

The following reviews are scheduled to begin in September 2023:

- Master of Nursing (Deferred from Sep 2020)
- Master of Counselling (Deferred from Sep 2022)
- B.H.Sc Aboriginal Health (Deferred from Sep 2022)
- Bachelor of Arts of Religious Studies (Deferred from Sep 2022)
- Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
- Master of Science in Health Sciences
- Master of Science in Management
- PhD Cultural, Social, and Political Thought
- PhD Education
- PhD Population Studies

\*Reviews to restart in September 2023.

### Progress Reports

AQAC received and accepted the following progress reports for completed reviews:

#### One-year Reports

- Music
- Accounting (Dhillon School of Business)

#### Three-year Reports

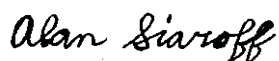
- Psychology
- Academic Writing Program
- Sociology
- Women and Gender Studies

Other reports were received and, in some cases, returned for revisions.

### Special Mention

Reviews deferred at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact the quality assurance process.

September 8, 2023



Alan Siaroff  
Chair, Academic Quality Assurance Committee