Academic Quality Assurance Committee: Report to GFC

For the Period July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

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:

- Lynn Kennedy (Chair)
- Justin Blum
- Kimoya Edwards (ULSU)
- Nicole Eva
- Olga Kovalchuk
- Emma Scott
- Pei Shao
- Ridwan Tajudeen (GSA)
- Shandi Bleiken (Resource)
- Lavonne Svenson (Resource)

Meeting Dates

AQAC met on the following dates:

- September 16, 2026
- October 7, 2025
- December 2, 2025
- January 8, 2026
- January 20, 2026
- February 5, 2026
- February 12, 2026
- February 24, 2026
- March 12, 2026
- June 16, 2026

Additional email votes were held.

Orientation Sessions

AQAC orientation sessions for those beginning a review took place on September 24, 2025.

Completed Reviews

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

- B.Sc. Biochemistry (2025)
- Master of Music (2025)
- B.Sc. Computer Science including GIS (2026)
- Department of Geography (2026)
- Master of Nursing (2026)
- Department of Neuroscience (2026)
- PhD Cultural, Social, and Political Thought (2025)
- PhD Population Studies in Health (2026)
- Pre-Professional Transfer Program in Engineering (2026)
- Master of Science Health Sciences (2026)

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
Department of Indigenous Studies	Sep-21
Department of Physics and Astronomy	Sep-22
Master of Science	Sep-22
B.H.Sc. Indigenous Health (Deferred from Sep 2022)	Sep-24
Master of Education	Sep-24
Archaeology Program	Oct-25

- Bachelor of Business Administration — Oct-25
- Biological Sciences Department — Oct-25
- Undergraduate Nursing Program — Oct-25
- Sociology Department — Oct-25
- BFA Multidisciplinary — Oct-25

The following reviews are scheduled to begin in October 2026:

- Anthropology — Oct-26
- Master of Health Services Management — Oct-26
- PhD Sciences — Oct-26
- Psychology — Oct-26
- Women and Gender Studies — Oct-26
- Writing — Oct-26

Progress Reports

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

One-year Reports

- Environmental Science
- Master of Arts
- Master of Counselling
- Master of Fine Arts
- Modern Languages and Linguistics
- MSc Management
- PhD Education
- Political Science
- Religious Studies

Three-year Reports

- Accounting
- Drama
- Library

Special Mention

The Academic Quality Assurance Committee completed the Campus Alberta Quality Council audit process in February 2026 after a January site visit by an audit team.

September 21, 2026



Lynn Kennedy
Chair, Academic Quality Assurance Committee