

University Council Newsletter

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COUNCIL UPDATES:

<u>University Council Election</u>: Congrats to the following for being elected to University Council! The ten successful candidates for the four-year terms are **Richard Baugh** - MBA'14, **Samantha Cheung** - Sc.'92, **Nosa O. Egiebor** - PhD'85, **Abdul-Aziz Garuba** - MBA'12, **Bittu George** - Arts '95, Law '98, **Alison Holt** - BA'87, **Kasmet Niyongabo** - Sci'11, MBA'20, **Precious Nyarko-Antwi** - MIB'18, **Sari Ohsada** - BSc'19, **Opiyo Oloya** - BA (Hons)'83, B.Ed'86, and the successful candidate for the two-year term is **Kofi Adow** - MBA'17. Newly elected Councillors will begin their terms on September 1, 2020. Want to reach out and welcome them to University Council, contact ucouncil@queensu.ca

<u>University Council Bursary</u>: The University Council Bursary was established in the 1990s by members of University Council. The bursary is awarded on the basis of financial need to students in any faculty or school at Queen's. We are pleased to share that there were six grateful 2019-20 recipients of the University Council Bursary who are students in 1st through 4th year in the Faculty of Arts and Science. One recipient, Kaitlyn Maurice, sent the attached thank you note to Councillors. If you are interested in making a charitable contribution to the Bursary to assist students in financial need, information is available on the <u>University</u> Council giving page.

<u>Queen's Connects</u> "Queen's Connects Career Network for Students and Alumni" facilitates conversations about career experiences. You can join and share your insights, perspectives, and encouragement with current Queen's students and graduates. Each month features an alumna/us to lead the conversation. Thank you to **Councillor Chu Wang** for volunteering as the July Mentor!

<u>Welcoming the Class of 2024!</u> A new <u>website</u> has been created to help admitted students connect with the campus and community without leaving home. On this website, students get a glimpse of the campus and the community at Queen's through images and videos, and <u>hear from current Queen's students</u> and <u>alumni</u> on why they should *say yes to Queen's*. Thanks to **Councillors <u>John Armitage</u>**, <u>Mary Drinkwater</u>, <u>Cathy Matthews</u>, <u>Katrina Samson</u>, and <u>Marcus Wong</u> for their submissions.

The <u>Faculty of Arts & Science</u> Student Calling Initiative: Thanks to Councillors John Armitage, Judith Brown, Katrina Samson, Chu Wang, and Elaine Wu who volunteered with this initiative to strengthen the broader Queen's community. They will be reaching out to select upper year international and out-of-province students to offer reassurance and encouragement in advance of the 2020-21 academic year.

COUNCILLOR PROFILE – HEATHER BLACK:

We encourage you to get to know your <u>fellow Councillors</u>. To assist with this, we're initiating a new feature with University Council newsletter - a Councillor Profile. Thanks to <u>Councillor Heather Black</u> for volunteering

for our first profile, <u>found here</u>. Reach out to <u>terri.flindall@queensu.ca</u> with your ideas to encourage networking among Councillors.

FEATURED OPPORTUNITIES:



The Office of the University Secretariat and the Office of Advancement are partnering to investigate additional opportunities for Councillors. We will continue to roll out opportunities as they arise. Or, if you are interested in a particular area, please contact terri.flindall@queensu.ca

Speaking Opportunities: There are a variety of speaking opportunities with faculties throughout the year. If this is something you wish to pursue, please submit your expression of interest with any specified topics/areas of expertise. Your name will be shared with the relevant faculty office for the upcoming year to be considered for possible faculty, alumni, and student events as a speaker or panelist. Please submit your information to your Council Engagement Officer, terri.flindall@queensu.ca

Opportunity to thank Queen's Donors: Annual Giving would still welcome the assistance of Queen's University Council in connecting with some of our most loyal Leadership Annual Giving (LAG) donors (alumni who have given \$1,000 - \$24,999). Your role would be to conduct personal calls with a small list of LAG donors to thank them for their loyal support of the University as well as engage them in a conversation about the University. Join Councillors Krystyna Williamson and Elaine Wu in this unique chance to build loyalty among this philanthropic group. Please contact Emily Mackwood, Senior Development Officer, Leadership Giving, who will be pleased to provide Councillors with training and resources to ensure success.

FEATURED EVENTS – BE AN AMBASSADOR:

In light of COVID-19, the university's in-person gatherings have been suspended, but online activities are still taking place! Check the calendar to review upcoming <u>Alumni events</u>.

Elder Meet & Greet: Virtual knowledge-sharing sessions with the Elders from the Office of Indigenous Initiatives will be held every two weeks on Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. via Teams Meetings. Please register here. Any questions or comments can be sent to indigenous.initiatives@queensu.ca.

Dates and Topics for this summer are as follows:

• Friday, July 17th Nations, Power and Settler Relationships

• Friday, July 31st: Indigenous Ways of Learning

Friday, August 14th Indigenous Medicines
 Friday, August 28th Indigenous Spirituality

NOW VIRTUAL

October 16-18, 2020 - Homecoming As the world continues to adjust to the realities of COVID-19 pandemic, Queen's University has made the difficult decision to cancel all inperson activities related to Homecoming 2020, as well as all in-person alumni events until the end of the calendar year. You can confirm your Reunion Coordinator or, consider volunteering for this important role. Questions? Contact the Reunions Team.

November 13-14, 2020 - Mark your calendar for the 145th Annual University Council Meeting! Details will be shared as the Council's Program Committee develops the agenda.

DID YOU KNOW?

Queen's Gift Planning Program

Did you know that making a planned gift to Queen's University is an effective way that alumni and friends can support Queen's and at the same time enjoy tax benefits for themselves or their estate? Queen's graduates often feel tremendous gratitude towards their university - for their education, the friends they made, and the passions that Queen's unlocked. A planned gift is a meaningful way to give back.

You could call a planned gift "structured generosity", as it is a gift that is arranged during a donor's lifetime, but that the university does not actually receive until a future date. Through gift planning, the donor can honour someone close to them or create their own personal legacy. There are many ways to provide a future gift through one's financial or estate plan. Whether a donor chooses to arrange a bequest for Queen's in their will, make the university the beneficiary of their insurance policy or registered fund, or make some other type of planned gift, their gift will make a lasting difference.

<u>The Royal Legacy Society</u> recognizes those alumni and friends who have thoughtfully remembered the University through a bequest or another future gift commitment.

For more information, please contact Virginia Perry (Executive Director, Gift Planning)

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Subscribe and commit to sharing information through Queen's **Social Media**











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- Inclusive Queen's
- Queen's Gazette
- Queen's Alumni Review
- Queen's Quarterly

- Queen's Law Reports
- Smith Magazine
- The Complete Engineer
- Viewbooks

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