Appendix 1: Nomination of Council Student Members

The objectives underlying the method of selecting the three (3) student representatives for the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science Graduate Council were to:

a) achieve a balanced representation, over a number of years, between the various Departments in the faculty, as well as Departments outside the faculty that host applied science graduate programs (Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics and Statistics, Geology)
b) yield candidates that are enthusiastic, conscientious, and responsible advocates for the graduate student body
c) be efficient and punctual during the election process
d) encourage new students to become involved in Faculty governance whenever possible

The student representatives are voting members of the Council, as stated above.

The method is comprised of 4 stages;

1. The Council will call for a student to be nominated from each graduate program, resulting in a maximum of 9 nominees. It is the responsibility of the graduate assistant to inform the Council of the contact information of the nominee, who may be;

   a) The SGPS representative for the Department. However, for graduate programs outside of the faculty, this student may not necessarily be in an Engineering and Applied Science program, and therefore would be ineligible for nomination.
   b) A representative of a student organization within the Department
   c) An individual student who has expressed interest in the nomination.

2. The current student representatives on the Council will form the Nominating Committee. All nominees put forward by the deadline will be called to a meeting at a time and place agreeable to all parties. Each nominee will give a short statement of interest in an informal setting.

3. The Nominating Committee will select 3 representatives using the following guidelines;

   a) Only nominees who have attended the meeting described in (2) are eligible, provided they assented to having the meeting at that time and place. If exceptional circumstances prevented their attendance, a statement of interest may be taken separately and their eligibility will not be invalidated.
   b) All other things being equal, the representatives should be from the graduate programs which have not been represented most recently, thereby allowing a rotation to ensure balanced representation.
   c) After consideration of (a) and (b), the Nominating Committee will select the nominees who exhibit enthusiasm and dedication that will encourage their attendance and participation in Council activities. Nominees will submit a brief statement of interest to the Council prior to (4).

4. The Nominating Committee will inform the Council as to their selections, to be ratified at the Council meeting by non-members of the Nominating Committee. The Council may ask for justification as to the selections made, and request alternate selections if ratification is not passed. Once ratification is achieved, the new representatives can be informed, and will be permitted to attend Council meetings for a 1-year term.