University Council March 2023 Newsletter

Council Updates

Committee Updates

Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee recently approved appointments to the University Council Program Committee (John Armitage, Samantha Cheung, Chessa Jope, and Sari Ohsada) and re-appointments to the Nominating Committee (Heather Black and Mary Drinkwater). Thank you to all Councillors for volunteering their time and efforts to serve on these committees.

Mary Dodd, Chair of the 2022 Program Committee, attended the meeting on February 8 to present the final report from the AGM. The Executive Committee thanks the Program Committee for their excellent, comprehensive report and for planning an engaging AGM.

Distinguished Service Awards: Do you know someone who has made Queen’s a better place and deserves to be recognized? Inaugurated by the University Council in 1974, these awards recognize individuals who have made Queen’s a better place through their outstanding contributions. Additional details can be found online. A Call for Nominations will be launched in March and the deadline for nominations is Friday, April 28, 2023 at 4 pm. All nominations will be considered by the Executive Committee in June.

Nominating Committee:

2023 University Council Election: The 2023 University Council election will be held from May 16 – May 30, 2023. The Call for Nominations will be launched on March 20 and will run for two weeks, closing on April 3, 2023. There will be ten four-year term (September 2023-27) positions available for alumni in the 2023 election. The role description and election details are on the University Secretariat website. Please keep your eye out for the Call for Nominations email and share with your alumni networks!

Samantha Cheung, Sc’92
Chair, Nominating Committee

On behalf of your Nominating committee: Heather Black, Sc’80, Judith Brown, Artsci’70, Sc’92, Mary Drinkwater, Ed’78, MPA’08, Elaine Wu, Artsci’98, MIR’00, Law’03
**Program Committee:**

**Committee membership:** Congrats to Councillors John Armitage, Samantha Cheung, Chessa Jope, and Sari Ohsada for being appointed as elected Councillors for a two-year term, and Heather Black as Council Trustee for a one-year term! And, thank you to Councillors Mary Drinkwater and Richard Baugh for their past service. The committee will select their new Chair at their March meeting.

**Seeking UC orientation advice:** If you could offer a piece of advice to yourself as a newly elected University Councillor, what would it be? What do you wish you had learned during orientation that would have assisted you in your role? Please send feedback to ucouncil@queensu.ca for consideration for this year’s Councillor Orientation.

Mary Dodd, Com’84  
Chair, Program Committee

On behalf of your Program Committee: Nonyelum Anoliefo, MMIE’20, John Armitage, BSC’71, Heather Black, Sc’80, Samantha Cheung, Sc’92, Willa Henry, BNSc’76, Chessa Jope, Com’09, Sari Ohsada, BSc’19, Tka Pinnock, Artsci’07

**Board / Council Trustees:**

- Please be advised that **Heather Black, Sc’80 and Yanique Williams, BAH’08** are the successful candidates in the recent election to the Board of Trustees. Congratulations to Heather and Yanique! 91% of Councillors voted in this election. Thank you to everyone who participated.

- The next regular Open Session of the **Board of Trustees** meeting will be held on **March 3** (meeting dates can be found on Board website). You can check out the Board agenda/minutes on the Governance Portal. To attend the Board’s Open Session, please submit your request in advance to trustees@queensu.ca.

**Your University Council Trustees:** Heather Black, Sc’80, Doug Bruce, BSc(Eng)’85, Jeremy Gooden, BSc(Eng.) ’16, Alison Holt, BAH’87, Mary Wilson Trider, Com’82, Marcus Wong, Artsci’03.

**Senate:**

**Senate meeting** dates can be found on the Senate website. The next regular Senate meeting will be held on March 28. You can check out the Senate agenda/minutes on the Governance Portal. To attend any portion of the meeting, please submit your request in advance to senate@queensu.ca.
Meet A Councillor

Councillor: Richard Baugh, MBA’14

What was your most memorable moment as a student?
My most memorable moment as a student was when my corporate strategy professor said that sometimes the best way to compete was not to compete at all, but to create a whole new market. This changed my mindset and approach to life. Also, there are a few memories from Stages and The Grizzly that are just as memorable but probably not appropriate to recount here.

What is the best career advice you've ever received?
Focus on gaining experience in executing ideas.

What are your aspirations for being on University Council?
My aspirations for being on Council are to hopefully have a positive impact by shaping an environment where other diverse individuals feel comfortable running for election and contributing to the betterment of the University. Prior to my election, the Council was somewhat homogenous and I’m happy to see how it has progressed towards a mix that better reflects society today.

Connect with Councillor Baugh on LinkedIn.

COUNCILLOR: Sandra Kwon, PME’20

What was your most memorable moment as a student?
This one is tough, because my entire Queen’s experience was online – even my convocation was virtual! In spite of that, I was really happy with my choice to study at Queen’s, as the entire experience was valuable and enriching.
Can you tell us a little about your career?
I’ve always worked in education; from teaching tiny ones in kindergarten to young adults and mature students in post-secondary. Currently, I work as an Organizational Development Associate in the Education area of Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. We work to bring learning and development opportunities to over 13,000 staff members to help them as individuals, team members, emerging leaders and care-providers.

What motivated you to stand for election for University Council?
I wanted to serve to better understand how decisions are made in a post-secondary institution, and to have a voice in making those decisions. Working in a variety of educational institutions, I have gained some insight on the student experience, and the supports they need to set them up for success. With the positive experience I had at Queen’s, and finally feeling like I had time and energy to offer, I took my shot at it.

Connect with Councillor Kwon on LinkedIn.

For full profiles from Councillor Baugh and Councillor Kwon, along with profiles from many of your fellow Council Members, visit the Biographical Sketches page of the website.

Opportunities

Go Gales Go!

Whether it is a home or away game for your favourite team, visit the Athletics and Recreation Website for schedules and to support your Queen’s Gaels! Don’t forget to sport your Queen’s athletic apparel from the QShop at the next game!

Can’t make a game? There are other ways to support your Gaels, through Athletic Awards, give to the Gaels or promoting Women in Tricolour. And you will see on the website, there are also some opportunities to watch events online.

If you were a Queen’s athlete and are interested in continuing your involvement with your former team, consider volunteering with the Booster Club or mentoring student-athletes. Contact the Athletics & Recreation Advancement Team for more information.
From the Hearth: Introduction to poetry and spoken word with Billie the Kid

*From the Hearth* is a six-part in-person poetry and spoken word workshop series, that expands our circles of care to embrace the journeys, stories and connections we share as humans. The series is being offered by Queen’s Agnes Etherington Art Centre.

Facilitated by *Billie the Kid*, a K’ai Taile Dené and Nehiyaw spoken word poet and storyteller, and coordinated by Qanita Lilla, here are four dates and times with different workshops held through March and April.

[Registration](#) for these free workshops can be found online.

The Art of Research: Photo Contest

Taking us behind the scenes of the lab, fieldwork, and the archives, the Art of Research photo contest brings to life the unseen moments of the research process. This year, the hallmark initiative is returning with a new twist: A new video category that will challenge participants to creatively share their research in 30 seconds or less.

This photo contest is open for submissions until March 10, and all Queen’s faculty, staff, students, and alumni are welcome to submit entries. More information can be found online in the [Queen’s Gazette](#).

News & Events

**Accessibility Café - Job search with a disability**  
*Monday, March 20, 2023*
Looking for work is not easy. If you have a disability, you may encounter barriers related to job search, employment, and your disability. Does having a disability affect your job search?

The short answer is that it depends. There are a lot of factors to consider. Are you going to disclose any information regarding your disability? Are there optimal places to look for jobs? Do your job search tools need to be adjusted? Do you need an accommodation?

Let's chat.

Join the Queen's Human Rights and Equity Office, and the Discover Ability Network for a discussion on job search with a disability.

Registration
Please contact Andrew Ashby if you require an accommodation. This session will have ASL and closed captions.

2023 QUAA Alumni Awards Gala
Save the Date – Saturday, June 17, 2023

We invite you to save the date and plan to join Principal Deane, VP (Advancement) Bertrand, QUAA Board members and fellow alumni on Queen’s beautiful Kingston campus, in celebration of the 2023 Alumni Award Recipients.

Additional details and registration will be available soon. Please reach out to Alumni Volunteer Liaison, Lindsey Kull with any questions.

Queen’s Links to Keep You Informed

• Queen’s Gazette
• Queen’s Alumni Review
• Queen’s Quarterly
• Queen’s Law Reports