

Senate Report to the Board of Trustees

Highlights from the February 27, 2025; March 27, 2025; and April 17, 2025 meetings

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Highlights

Senate's February 27 meeting included an update on the status of Herstmonceux Castle and Bader College. Senators were informed that repairs are ongoing as is development of a new educational model for Bader College.

At the March meeting, the members were pleased to congratulate senator Lucas Balog as the recipient of the 2025 Margaret Hooey Award, granted to a student for their contributions to governance at the Senate.

While the April agenda was not completed due to time constraints, members were able to discuss and approve the Enrolment Plan and senators received an update on the budget from Provost Evans.

A May meeting will be held to address the remaining agenda items from April.

On the recommendation of standing committees, the Senate approved:

- Major modification to the [Master of Finance program](#);
- Major modification to the [Certificate in Business](#);
- Major modification to the [BAH Economics Admissions](#);
- Major modification to the [BSch Admissions](#);
- Major modification to the [Master of International Business](#);
- Major modification to the [MSc and PhD Management](#);
- Major modification to the [M.Ed](#);
- Nomination reports for [February](#), and [March](#);
- Revisions to the [Senate Rules of Procedure](#); and
- [Enrolment Targets and Projections 2025-2028](#).

Principal/Provost/Vice-Principal Research Remarks

In his report, the Principal commended student leaders, notably Rector Boytchuk-Hale, on their efforts in mobilizing students to participate in the provincial election. He also spoke to

the ongoing consultations for the Bicentennial Vision, and the successful Joint Retreat held in March on that topic.

The Provost reported to Senate on a trip taken to Singapore and Hong Kong, with the goal of strengthening Canada-Asia relationships. He also provided his annual budget update to Senate, and provided context for the university's enrolment targets, which were approved in April.

The Vice-Principal (Research) was pleased to highlight Dr. Bhavin Shastri, who was awarded a Sloan Research Fellowship in Physics. She also noted that Queen's has been performing well on all measures related to federal research grants and has outperformed national averages. She noted that overall there has been an increase in the amount of funding available to the sector, which is positive.

The Senate received:

- The [2024/25 Senate Equity Census](#);
- The [2024 Orientation Report](#);
- Faculty of Arts and Science Faculty Board reports for [February](#), March, and a special report on the [Bicentennial Vision](#)
- Faculty of Law Faculty Board report for [February](#);
- Smith School of Business [Faculty Board report](#) and a special report on the [Bicentennial Vision](#);
- A five-year progress report on the [Certificate in Disability and Physical Activity](#);
- A final assessment report for the [School of Policy Studies](#);
- A final assessment report for the [School of Kinesiology and Health Studies](#);
- A final assessment report for [Life Sciences and Biochemistry](#);
- The 2023-24 Report from the [Office of the University Ombudsperson](#);
- Notice of Temporary Suspension of the following programs: [ECON-M-BAH](#); [Bachelor of Music and Digital Media](#); [Arts Minors in Science programs](#); [Computer Science Specialization](#); [Joint Honours \(Arts\)](#); .

The next Senate meeting is May 15, 2025.