

PACES Research, Teaching & Learning Working Group

Terms of Reference

Working Group Role:

The Research, Teaching & Learning Working Group will support The President’s Advisory Committee on Environment & Sustainability (PACES) in executing Western’s Climate & Sustainability Strategy, focused in the following areas:

- Sustainability Research
- Student knowledge of Sustainability
- Course Content
- Continuing Studies
- Sustainable Labs

Working Group Co-Chairs:

An Associate Vice President (Research) and a Dean will act as Co-Chairs of the Research, Teaching and Learning Working Group. The co-chairs will serve 2 year terms on the working group, and then responsibilities will rotate to a different Dean and AVP (Research).

Working Group Co-Chair Responsibilities:

- Lead the Research, Teaching & Learning Working Group
- Ensure meeting minutes and action logs are complete and maintained
- Sit as a member of the PACES committee
- Facilitate reporting to PACES

Working Group Membership:

The Research, Teaching & Learning Working Group includes the following members (2021-2022):

- Associate Vice President (Research)..... Bryan Neff (Co-Chair)
- Dean, Faculty of Engineering..... Ken Coley (Co-Chair)
- Undergraduate Student at Large..... Emma Pennell
- Graduate Student at Large..... Mohammed Estaiteyeh
- Post Doctoral Scholar
- Continuing Studies Representative..... Jessica Ye
- Centre for Teaching and Learning Representative..... Beth Hundey
- Communications & Public Affairs Representative..... Douglas Keddy
- Residence Life/Student Experience Representative..... Kelly Hollingshead
- Indigenous Representative..... Spy Dénomme-Welch
- Centre for Building Sustainable Value (Ivey Business School) Representative..... Robert Klassen
- School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies Representative..... Connie Kyle
- Faculty Representative..... Kim Shuey
- Faculty Representative..... Ed Goehring

Ad-hoc Membership:

- External community members may be invited to participate on the committee as resources or invited guests on an ad-hoc basis, and will not be permanent members of the committee.

Additional Resources:

- Director, Sustainability

Membership Term:

- 1 year, renewable term for all student roles
- 2 year, renewable term for all faculty & staff roles

Working Group Responsibilities:

- Review existing programs and practices and identify areas for improvement that are aligned with the Climate & Sustainability Strategy
- Advocate and build momentum for sustainability initiatives
- Recommend relevant KPI's that can be used to monitor progress
- Provide guidance for sustainability activities as required
- Report regularly to the President's Advisory Committee on Environment & Sustainability

Frequency of Meetings:

Meetings will occur on a bi-monthly basis.

Reporting:

The committee will submit regular reports of its meetings to PACES.

Review Date:

28 Jan 2021