

ASSOCIATE DEANS' (RESEARCH) COUNCIL

Terms of Reference

The Associate Deans' (Research) Council (ADRC) is both an information exchange forum and a body advisory to the Vice-President (Research) (VPR) on matters pertaining to research.

Tasks and Responsibilities

The ADRC shall:

- 1. Receive and exchange information on research programs, initiatives and policies.
- 2. Discuss research priorities, policies, issues and concerns.
- 3. Make (non-binding) recommendations, through motions voted upon, to the VP(R).
- 4. Help define and update the institution's Strategic Research Plan
- 5. Help to bridge Faculty research activities and platforms with the transdisciplinary initiatives of the University.
- 6. Help define research excellence for the institution and suggest ways of measuring, promoting and rewarding it.
- 7. Establish working groups or sub-committees, as needed, to deal with specific research-related issues.

Composition of the Council

ADRC shall consist of the following voting members or their designates:

- 1. All Associate Deans for Research.
- 2. One of the Associate Deans of the Faculty of Graduate Studies.
- 3. One of the Associate University Librarians.
- 4. The Executive Director of Research Services.

In addition, the following non-voting members will be part of ADRC:

- 1. The VP(R) and the Associate VP(R)s.
- 2. One representative from the office of University of Calgary International.
- 3. One representative from Information Technologies.
- 4. The Directors of Research Services.
- 5. One member of the Research and Scholarship Committee.
- 6. One graduate student appointed by the Graduate Students' Association.
- 7. A secretary, who will be a staff member of the office of the VP(R), and will record and distribute minutes and agendas.

Meetings and Communications

- 1. Meetings shall be chaired by the VP(R) or designate.
- 2. Regular meetings shall be held monthly from September to June.



- 3. Special meetings may be held at the call of the Chair.
- 4. A quorum shall consist of one-half of the voting membership.
- 5. Motions will be accepted by majority vote; members may request that their individual votes and/or their reasons be identified/recorded in the minutes.
- 6. ADRC members may propose agenda items by forwarding them to the secretary in advance of the meeting.
- 7. Discussions and recommendations shall normally be recorded in the minutes, which will be distributed to ADRC members before the following meeting together with the new agenda.
- 8. The minutes shall be posted in a password-protected area of the University of Calgary web site, accessible only to ADRC members and made available to Deans.

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