

The Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (CGPS) reports to the [Senate](#) through the [Academic Policy and Planning Committee](#), and is chaired by the Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Council's Mandate

The Council has a mandate to:

- Develop, revise and approve the regulations, guidelines and policies on graduate and postdoctoral studies and so recommend to Senate following consultation with the relevant disciplinary faculties;
- Participate in strategic planning for initiatives to promote and enhance graduate and postdoctoral studies;
- Review and approve proposals for the creation of new graduate programs.

The Composition of Council's Membership

The Council consists of:

- 20 academic members, selected by procedure duly established by each faculty to represent the faculties and the academic units within those faculties (3 from each of the Faculties of Arts, Science, and Medicine; 2 from each of the Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Education and Engineering; 1 from each of the Faculties of Dentistry, Law, Management, Music, and Religious Studies);
- 8 graduate student representatives (one (1) each from the Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Arts, Education, Engineering, Management and Sciences; one (1) from the Faculty of Medicine of the Faculty of Dentistry; and one (1) from the Faculty of Law, the Schulich School of Music, or the Faculty of Religious Studies);
- 1 postdoctoral fellow;
- The Executive Chairperson of the Post Graduate Students' Society, or designate;
- The Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies;
- The Associate Deans of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, with voices but no votes;
- The Vice-Principal (Research) or designate; and
- The Director of the Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs, or designate, with voice but no vote;
- A representative from Libraries.