

## **Faculty of Science and Engineering Research Committee**

### **Terms of Reference**

The Faculty of Science and Engineering Research Committee is set as an advisory body to the Faculty. Its role is to discuss matters of research that concern units within the Faculty. It will assist the Dean in bringing proposals and recommendations to the general Faculty meetings that relate to research matters. It will also collaborate with the relevant Academic Council committees, its counterparts in the other Faculties, and the Office of the Vice-President for Research.

The specific remit of this Research Committee, reporting to and subject to oversight and review by the Faculty of Science and Engineering, is to:

1. Promote and encourage excellence in research in the Faculty, through exploration of appropriate opportunities for collaboration and efficient use of shared infrastructure, expertise and technologies;
2. Liaise with national advocacy bodies in the area of Science and Engineering, considering and communicating the implications of national policies and external recommendations to Faculty and Departments;
3. Review, propose, and provide input to University decisions on policy and practices concerning research and research supports;
4. Recommend to the Dean actions supporting achievement, development and review of the research related aspects of the University Strategic Plan. This may include alerting the Faculty to issues that might assist or hinder the implementation of the Strategic Plan, and identifying emerging areas for strategic research development;
5. Review, propose, and provide input on policies and practices concerning the archiving, communication, dissemination, and promotion of Faculty research activity and outputs by the University;
6. Liaise with the University Research Institutes or Centres in the area of Science and Engineering, the Communications Office, and other appropriate offices of the University to represent the interests of researchers in the Faculty and promote the visibility of their research.

### **Membership**

- Associate Dean for Research and Engagement (Chair, ex-officio)
- Dean of the Faculty
- One academic member from each of the Faculty's academic units.
- Other members co-opted from Research Institutes or Centres associated with the Faculty.
- Other members co-opted by the Chair (e.g. Library, RDO, other service units).
- One PhD student and one postdoc elected representative.
- The term of the committee will be three years.
- Members should normally serve on this committee for no more than six consecutive years.

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