

TEACHING AND LEARNING COMMITTEE

October 2, 2025 at 3pm – 5pm

University Boardroom A341

IN ATTENDANCE:

Michelle Yeo	GFC Academic Staff Member, CHAIR and Director, Academic Development Centre (ADC)
Karim Dharamsi	Vice-Provost, Academic, VICE-CHAIR
Meagan Bowler	Dean, University Library
Andrew Goodmanson	Manager, Learning Technologies (ADC)
Kelly Williams-Whitt	Dean Representative
Nancy Ogden	Associate Dean/Vice Dean responsible for teaching and learning
Lavinia Moldovan	GFC Academic Staff Member (Arts)
Neil Brigden	GFC Academic Staff Member (Business, Communication Studies & Aviation)
Sarah Hamilton	GFC Academic Staff Member (Health, Community and Education)
Alice Swabey	Academic Staff Member (University Library)
Christina Lovestone	Continuing Education Representative
Kristin Fulton	Student Affairs Representative
Sabrina Acosta	Student Representative
Celine Dixon	Student Representative

Resources

Giuliana Harvey	Associate Dean/Vice Dean responsible for teaching and learning
Melanie Rathburn	Associate Dean/Vice Dean responsible for teaching and learning
Sheena Dyer	Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY

Guests

Meekena Erkin	VP, Academic SAMRU
John Fischer	Interim Associate Vice-President, Indigenization and Decolonization
Tori McMillan	Director, Iniskim Centre
Kimberly Smith	Research and Planning Consultant, Office of Institutional Research and Planning

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Nick Strzalkowski	GFC Academic Staff Member (Science and Technology)
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The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00PM and opened the meeting with a Land Acknowledgement.

1. Approval of Agenda***Moved and seconded:***

THAT the Agenda for the October 2, 2025 Teaching and Learning Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes****2.1. Minutes from May 1, 2025*****Moved and seconded:***

THAT the Minutes of the May 1, 2025 Teaching and Learning Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

- 2.2. Business Arising from the Minutes
There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. TLC Orientation

The following information was received:

- 3.1. Teaching and Learning Committee Charter
- 3.2. TLC Meeting Schedule
- 3.3. TLC Membership List

4. TLC 2025-26 Annual Plan Draft

The TLC 2025-26 Annual Plan draft was discussed. Suggestions were made for matters TLC could address in this current year, recognizing past challenges for work to come to TLC. Suggestions included:

- Receiving information and updates, and providing feedback/advice as appropriate, from the following academic committees: AI Steering Group, AI Working Group, Experiential Learning Steering Committee, General Education Steering Committee and Academic Accommodations Working Group.
- Providing advice (and recommending to GFC as required) on updating peer evaluations and SPoT instruments.

The discussion was paused until after the Item 5 presentation.

John Fischer, Tori McMillan, and Kimberly Smith joined the meeting.

5. Indigenization & Decolonization Strategic Framework 2025-2030 Presentation

John Fischer gave an overview of the “Indigenization and Decolonization Strategic Framework 2025-2030 Presentation” as part of the consultation process for the development of the framework. Comments in support of the draft were received.

John Fischer, Tori McMillan, and Kimberly Smith left the meeting.

4. TLC 2025-26 Annual Plan Draft (continued discussion)

Other suggestions for the annual plan included:

- Standing updates from some of the working groups/steering committees mentioned above whose Chair’s sit on TLC (informal reports, as these committees do not have formal reporting requirements to TLC)
- Discuss and provide advice regarding an issue raised by the University Library and SAMRU about access to textbooks/learning material and how to communicate the issue to faculty
- Consider matters brought forward from ADC for discussion/advice (e.g. emerging teaching technologies)

The Chair will prepare the draft plan and circulate it to members for feedback in advance of the TLC November 13, 2025 meeting.

6. Reports:

6.1. Committee Chair Report

A copy of the most recent Committee Chair's Report to GFC was provided for information.

6.2. Report from the Senior Administrator to the Committee

A brief update was provided on the General Education Steering Committee and the Experiential Learning Steering Committee, both of which commenced meetings this academic year.

7. New Business

There was no new business.

8. Adjournment 4:12PM