

<b>Faculty of Education</b> <b>Faculty Council Meeting</b> <b>March 7, 2013</b> <b>4:00-5:00pm</b> <b>519 YRT</b>	
Agenda Item	Notes
Strategic Research Plan –Draft	<p>VPRI Rob Haché welcomed Faculty members. Indicated that the draft SRP has been circulated to the Faculty and invites comments and discussion.</p> <p>Highlighted the effort to express the interdisciplinarity of the research examples described within the Plan's themes. Reminded Faculty Council members that while there is a strategic focus on areas of opportunity for the development of research, we will be continuing the commitment to invest, maintain and build on our research strengths. The Plan will be implemented through collegial discussion with Faculties on a continuing basis. R. Haché encouraged Faculties and Units to set expectations for their response to the SRP objectives, and continue to measure progress in research development against the objectives. VPRI, through the suite of research supports, will empower Faculties and Units to respond to the areas for opportunity for the future development of research.</p> <p><u>Comments &amp; Clarifications from Faculty of Education:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Inquired about the York Research Chairs (YRCs) and how they might impact the Faculty of Education?</li> <li>-Clarified that the internal research chairs are among the suite of resources accessible to researchers at York; the YRCs will be an important component of the coordinated effort to promote the intensification of research, an internal twin to the national CRC program, will broaden and deepen the impact of research chairs at York in building and intensifying world-renowned research across the institution -thus the level of support and recognition provided to York Research Chairs is expected to mirror supports and recognition provided through the CRC program.</li> <li>-Recognized that based on the Faculty's SSHRC funding, they may be eligible for a Tier II CRC.</li> <li>-Clarified that CRCs will be recruited as new researchers to the university and will be utilized to build research capacity. YRCs initial rollout will be 20 Chairs -4 Chairs per year over 5 years. There is potential for Faculties to develop additional YRCs based on need and the availability of funding</li> <li>-Inquired about the purpose of the SRP, and how it will impact individual researchers</li> <li>-Clarified that the Plan is meant to encourage opportunities to interact, provide guidance in how we invest our support funds, and make commitments to supports and areas for improvement</li> <li>- Questioned how the Plan will enhance opportunities for graduate students</li> <li>-Clarified that the Plan will help by raising the visibility of research that we do, commitment to the intensification of research, providing supports and infrastructure for graduate students. Plan is meant to enable the activity and growth of research initiatives around the university</li> </ul> <p>-R. Haché thanked Council for comments and encouraged further feedback to:  <a href="mailto:barbb@yorku.ca">barbb@yorku.ca</a></p>