

York University  
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, September 6, 2023  
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm  
HYBRID – Senate Chamber, Ross N940 & Zoom

Agenda

1. Chair's Remarks
2. Business arising from the minutes
3. Faculty of Health Strategic Plan Update, Parissa Safai
4. Sustainability Efforts Presentation, Mike Layton
5. Dean's Remarks
6. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee
7. Report of the Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards
8. Report of the Committee on Research and Awards
9. Report of the Graduate Committee
10. Report of the Petitions Committee
11. Report on the Committee on Tenure & Promotions
12. Senator's Report: May 2023, June 2023
13. Other Business

Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items are deemed to be approved or received unless, prior to the start of the meeting, one or more Council members ask that they be dealt with as regular business.

## 1. Minutes of the Meeting of May 3, 2023

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Faculty of Health meetings support our mission to provide an innovative and supportive environment for learning, discovery and engagement. To ensure our common value of diversity is fully reflected, our events, publications and meetings make every effort to be accessible to all.

2023-2024 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:

- Wednesday, October 4, 2023
- Wednesday, November 1, 2023
- Wednesday, December 6, 2023
- Wednesday, January 10, 2024
- Wednesday, February 7, 2024
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024
- Wednesday, April 3, 2024
- Wednesday, May 1, 2024

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Faculty of Health  
FACULTY COUNCIL  
Wednesday, May 3, 2023  
Hybrid Meeting: Senate Chamber Ross N940 and ZOOM

Minutes

Attendance: S. Adam, F. Ahmad, C. Arden, I. Aslam, M. Barranti Y. Bohr, M. Boni, S. Bowerman, C. Buick, D. Campbell, K. Campbell, R. Ceddia, J. Check, S. Chinworth, A. Chum, J. Conolly, A. Daftary, T. Daly, A. Day, A. De Liso, H. Edgell, S. Evans, O. Eyawo, V. Geer, J. Goldberg, S. Hillier, J. Hurley, L. Hynes, M. Hynie, V. Jamnik, A. Josse, F. Khalid, N. Khanlou, L. Lamarche, S. McDonald, J. MacDonnell, J. Martin, T. Mgwigwi, A. Moore, S. Moradian, M. Morrow, M. Mosher, Y. Nakamura, B. Oraziotti, K. Page Cutrara, D. Peters, D. Phillips, M. Poirier, R. Robbio, E. Schraa, L. Seto Nielsen, A. Siddiqui, N. Stuckless, J. Sundaramoorthy, C. Till, P. Tsasis, R. Venkatsaperumal, A. Viens, N. Viva Davis Halifax

Guest: R. Bishop, P. Calderon Valdivia, J. Castle, A. Charnaw, F. Clarke, Y. Delaviz, C. Flood, A. Furlano, G. Gringhuis, K. Hetherington, S. Mitchell-Hutson, V. Thompson, T. Xerri

**1. Chair's remarks**

Chair of Council, A. Moore welcomed members and explained how the meeting would be conducted in a hybrid setting.

**2. Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**3. Dean's Remarks**

Dean D. Peters welcomed Council members and provided his remarks.

Dean Peters congratulated Faculty of Health colleagues associated with the Connected Minds: Neural and Machines Systems for a Healthy, Just Society for their recent grant from the Government of Canada. This is the largest single grant ever awarded to York University. Connected Minds is a pan-University endeavour with experts across multiple disciplines.

Dean Peters noted that the second Faculty of Health strategic planning meeting will take place in June. He stated that the drafting team is currently pulling together the results of the April workshop and noted that an opportunity for community input will be provided prior to the June meeting. Regarding a School of Medicine, he stated that the government has met with Senior University leadership and are working collaboratively. Finally, Dean Peters thanked members for their participation at Council. He encouraged faculty members to enjoy the upcoming convocation events and concluded with acknowledgements and kudos.

**4. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**

R. Bishop provided the report.

There was a call for nominations for the upcoming vacancies for Council positions.

There were no nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of Council. The position will remain vacant until filled.

There were no nominations for the position of at-large member of the Executive & Planning Committee. The position will remain vacant until filled.

There were no nominations for the positions of at-large member of the Petitions Committee. The positions will remain vacant until filled.

There were no nominations for the Faculty of Health Senator. The position will remain vacant until filled.

There were no nominations for the Faculty of Health Senate Executive Member. The position will remain vacant until filled.

Nominations and/or expressions of interest for the remaining Council vacancies can be made to Katie Hetherington via email.

**5. Lightning Talk: “The Impact of Cannabis Legalization on Cannabis-related Acute Care in Ontario”**

Professor A. Chum from the School of Kinesiology and Health Science provided the presentation and answered questions from Council members.

**6. Senator’s Report**

Professor M. Morrow provided the Senator’s report for the April 2023 Senate meeting. Full reports are located on the Senate website.

Highlights of the President’s Report included:

- Disruptions to higher education continue to have negative impacts on enrolment, specifically international enrolments.
- A government issued tuition freeze for 2023-2024 with no additional government funding.
- Faculties will need to focus on converting applications to enrolments to increase revenues.
- The operating budget will be presented to the Board of Governors.
- Acknowledgement of the President’s Research Awards recipients.
- Positive media attention for York’s strategy on Sustainability.

The Executive Committee recommended:

- The approval of the Senate membership from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.
- Anchor Faculties for the Markham campus be encouraged to consider allocating one of their seats to be filled by a faculty member based at the Markham campus for the 2023-2024 term.

ASCP approved:

- The closure of a certificate housed at Glendon.

- The establishment of several certificates in LA&PS.
- The establishment of a new specialization in Osgoode.
- Minor changes to degree requirements in Schulich and Osgoode.

ASCP received a draft report from the AVP Teaching and Learning on Common Language for Modes of Learning which will be shared with the community for feedback.

The Chair of the APPRC facilitated a discussion regarding the School of Medicine: Planning Prospectus and provided an updated on the Markham Campus.

The Joint Sub-Committee on Quality Assurance provided a report including final assessments for program reviews and update on the Taskforce on the Future of Pedagogy.

The Senate Committee on Awards congratulated the recipients of the 2023 President's Research Awards.

#### **7. Other Business**

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned.

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R. Bishop, Secretary

**Report of the Executive and Planning Committee  
of the Faculty of Health  
September 2023**

**1. Summer Authority**

The Executive and Planning Committee did not meet to exercise summer authority granted to it by Council in May 2023.

**2. Call for Nominations**

Processes to fill vacancies on Standing Committees of Council will begin shortly in Schools/Department. Please connect with your nominating committee for more information.

The Faculty of Health Executive and Planning Committee is seeking nominations for the following vacancies:

- Vice-Chair of Council
- At-large member of the Executive & Planning Committee
- At-large member of the Petitions Committee
- Faculty of Health Senators
- Faculty of Health Senate Executive Member

**a) Vice-Chair of Council**

Vice-Chair of Faculty of Health Council (two-year term, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025 – first year serving as Vice-Chair, second year serving as Chair)

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of Council.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

**b) At-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (1 vacancy)**

One at-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025).

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of at-large member of the Executive and Planning Committee.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

**Membership (Designated):**

Dean  
Associate Deans  
Chair, Department of Psychology  
Chair, School of Health Policy & Management  
Chair, School of Kinesiology & Health Science  
Director, School of Nursing  
Director, School of Global Health  
College Heads, Calumet College & Stong College  
Chair of Council  
Vice-Chair of Council  
Secretary of Council  
'At large' Representatives (2)\*  
Student Representatives (2)

**Continuing at-large member**

Michael Rotondi, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

\*The two members who are elected at-large by Council shall not be from the same School/Department.

**c) At-large seat on Petitions Committee (2 vacancies)**

Two at-large seats on the Petitions Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025).

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the positions of at-large member of the Petitions Committee.

**Membership (Designated):**

Associate Dean  
Department of Psychology (2)  
School of Health Policy & Management (2)  
School of Kinesiology & Health Science (2)  
School of Nursing (2)  
Student Representatives (4)  
'At large' Representative (2)\*

**Outgoing at-large member:**

Kristine Pedernal, School of Nursing

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**d) Faculty of Health Senator (1 vacancy)**

Faculty of Health Senator (three-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2026)

See <http://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/senate/> for more information.

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of Faculty of Health Senator.

Membership (Designated):

Dean, Faculty of Health

Chair, Department of Psychology

Chair, School of Health Policy & Management

Chair, School of Kinesiology & Health Science

Director, School of Nursing

Director, School of Global Health

**Continuing Senate members (elected):**

Brad Meisner, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

Alison Macpherson, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

Lora Appel, School of Health Policy and Management

Peter Tzasis, School of Health Policy and Management

Oghenowede Eyawo, School of Global Health/School of Kinesiology and Health Science

Mazen Hamadeh, School of Kinesiology & Health Science

Celina Da Silva, School of Nursing

**e) Senate Executive Committee**

One seat as the Faculty of Health Member on the Senate Executive Committee (three-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2026).

\*the Faculty of Health Senate Executive member must also be a continuing Faculty of Health Senator.



At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council received one nomination for the position of Faculty of Health Senate Executive Member:

**Alison Macpherson**, School of Kinesiology & Health Science

Alison was acclaimed to the position.

**Outgoing Senate Executive member:**

Jennifer Connolly, Department of Psychology

**Report of the Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards  
of the Faculty of Health Council  
September 2023**

**ITEM FOR INFORMATION:**

**1. Year End Report 2022-2023**

This report summarizes the activities of the Faculty of Health Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards (CEAS) during the 2022-2023 academic period. In addition to the activities listed, the Committee continues to have a monitoring role over Faculty grades exercises.

**Update on Academic Honesty:**

Members of CEAS and its Academic Honesty Panel Subcommittee adjudicate cases of suspected breaches of the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty. Noted below is a summary of exploratory meetings and panel hearing cases processed between July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

**Exploratory Meeting Summary:**

Year	Plagiarism	Cheating	Cheating & Plagiarism	Aid and Abet	Falsification	Cheating & Aid and Abet	Cheating & Dissemination	Total
<b>2022-23</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>2021-22</b>	41	49	3	3	2	2	0	100
<b>2020-21</b>	72	135	0	4	0	1	0	212
<b>2019-20</b>	59	6	1	0	1	n/a	0	67
<b>2018-19</b>	19	17	1	1	3	n/a	0	41

**Panel Hearing Summary:**

Year	Number of Completed Panel Hearings	Number of Pending Panel Hearings
<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>2021-2022</b>	40	17
<b>2020-2021</b>	37	18
<b>2019-2020</b>	5	16
<b>2018-2019</b>	5	7

At the time of this report, there are outstanding files that need to be processed that are not included in the statistics above. These files will be processed during the 2023-24 term and will have implications for the workload at both the exploratory and panel level.

To assist in minimizing processing time, exploratory meetings and panel hearing meetings continue to be processed electronically via Zoom.

During this time, CEAS continued to support consultation requests by Senate regarding the proposed revisions to the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty.

**2022-2023 Faculty-Level Awards Summary:**

<b>Award Name</b>	<b>Number of Recipients</b>
Lillian Wright Maternal-Child Health Undergraduate Scholarship	4
HH Gold Medal for Academic Excellence & Outstanding Leadership	3
HH Silver Medal for Outstanding Leadership	3
HH Silver Medal for Academic Merit	1
Skinner Agents of Change Leadership Award (New Students)	1
Skinner Agents of Change Leadership Award (Graduating Students)	1

## Report of the Research and Awards Committee to Faculty of Health Council

### ITEM FOR INFORMATION:

#### 1. Year End Report 2022-2023

This report summarizes the activities of the Faculty of Health Research and Awards Committee during the 2022-23 academic period. The Committee was responsible for the adjudication of the following grants/awards:

- Conference Travel Funds
- Minor Research Grants
- Junior Faculty Funds
- Collaborative Community-Based Research Seed Grant

The Committee also adjudicated the 2022-23 Dean's Faculty Awards-Early Career – *To be announced at an upcoming meeting.*

#### **Conference Travel Funds** (Total granted this fiscal \$46,079.10)

Conference Travel Funds	Faculty Member	Amount Awarded:
May 2022 Competition  (Awarded \$22,535.35)	Abdul-Sater, Ali	\$1,000.00
	Bassett-Gunter	\$1,000.00
	Chaufan, Claudia	\$379.50
	Cleworth, Taylor	\$950.85
	Conder, Julie	\$1,000.00
	Drake, Janessa	\$1,000.00
	Gicas, Kristina	\$1,000.00
	Haas, Tara	\$1,000.00
	Henriques, Denise	\$1,000.00
	Meisner, Brad	\$205.00
	Murray, Richard	\$1,000.00
	Pedernal, Kristine	\$1,000.00
	Perry, Chris	\$1,000.00
	Phillips, Andrea	\$1,000.00
	Steele, Jennifer	\$1,000.00
	Steeves, Jennifer	\$1,000.00
	Stevens, Dale	\$1,000.00
	Till, Christine	\$1,000.00
	Viens, Adrian	\$1,000.00
Wardell, Jeffrey	\$1,000.00	

Conference Travel Funds	Faculty Member	Amount Awarded:
	Wojtowicz, Magdalena	\$1,000.00
	Geer, Valini	1,000.00
	Bertram, Mavoy	1,000.00
	Paul, Archana	1,000.00
Oct 2022 Competition (Awarded: \$11,795.00)	Biondi, Mia	\$1,000.00
	Chum, Antony	\$1,000.00
	Fitzpatrick, Skye	\$1,000.00
	Fox, Mary	\$1,000.00
	Grace, Sherry	\$1,000.00
	Khalid, Ahmad	\$1,000.00
	Mar, Raymond	\$1,000.00
	Meisner, Brad	\$795.00
	Muise, Amy	\$1,000.00
	Prime, Heather	\$1,000.00
	Scime, Anthony	\$1,000.00
	Singh, Mina	\$1,000.00
Feb 2023 Competition (Awarded: \$11,748.75)	Buick, Catriona	\$1,000.00
	Cheng, Joey	\$1,000.00
	Elder, James	\$1,000.00
	Eyawo, Oghenowede	\$1,000.00
	Kohler, Peter	\$748.75
	Mochizuki, George	\$1,000.00
	Moradian, Saeed	\$1,000.00
	Peisachovich, Eva	\$1,000.00
	Poirier, Mathieu	\$1,000.00
	Till, Christine	\$1,000.00
	White, Cindel	\$1,000.00
	Wojtowicz, Magdalena	\$1,000.00

**Minor Research Grants**  
(Total granted this fiscal - \$116,687.24)

Minor Research Grant	Faculty Member	Title of Project	Amount Awarded
May 2022 \$38,710.00)	Cribbie, Robert	Negligible Effect Tests for Assessing Normality	\$3,000.00
	Edgell, Heather	Association of cognitive function with vascular and autonomic function in Type 2 Diabetes	\$3,000.00
	El Morr, Christo	Creating a framework to address artificial intelligence biases in healthcare	\$3,000.00
	Greenglass, Esther	Psychological Reactions to Watching the War in Ukraine	\$2,850.00
	Haas, Tara	Pericyte function in ischemic muscle	\$3,000.00
	Mar, Raymond	That's Canada, eh? The impact of Canadian media on American audiences	\$2,860.00
	Mills, Jennifer	Feasibility and effectiveness of virtual family-based psychoeducation for caregivers of children and adolescents with an eating disorder	\$3,000.00
	Muise, Amy	Leveraging Intimate Interdependence in Heterosexual Romantic Relationships to Promote Awareness of Gender Discrimination and Reduce Sexist Attitudes	\$3,000.00
	Perry, Chris	Pre-clinical development of parmodulin therapies to treat muscle weakness in Duchenne muscular dystrophy	\$3,000.00
	Rodney, Ruth	Disability, Gender-Based Violence and COVID-19: Experiences of Women in Guyana	\$3,000.00
	Rosenbaum, Shayna	Examining the nature and extent of impaired perception and memory in obstructive sleep apnea	\$3,000.00
	Scime, Anthony	Authenticating a p107-Sirt3-OPA1 mitochondrial pathway engaged in muscle stem cell fate decisions	\$3,000.00
Steele, Jennifer	Examining the impact of anti-Black racism education on grade 12 students	\$3,000.00	

November 2022 Competition (Awarded: \$77,977.24)					
	<b>Faculty Member</b>	<b>Title of Project</b>	<b>MRG</b>	<b>JFF</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
	Adam, Simon	Demedicalizing Madness: Diversifying the Understanding of Mental Health with Voices of Survivors	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$4,800.00
* Joint JFF/MRG Competition	Biondi, Mia	Knowledge and Awareness of HIV Prevention Among Women	\$3,000.00	\$1,875.00	\$4,875.00
	Campbell, Karen	Women living with episodic disabilities and experiencing intimate partner violence	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00
	Dastjerdi, Fay	(Re) defining Silence: Narrative of Iranian Immigrant Women Who Experienced an Abusive Relationship	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	DeLisio, Amanda	Insurgent Feminism: LGBTQIA+ Activism in the Global South	\$3,000.00	\$1,964.00	\$4,964.00
	DeSouza, Joseph	Artificial Intelligence (AI) approach to speech and brain signals to detect and assess Parkinson's disease progress	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Fox, Mary	Adapting hospital-to-home transitional care interventions to the rural healthcare context in Ontario, Canada: a multi-method study	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Freud, Erez	The effect of attentional resources on object representations in the dorsal pathway	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00
	Gunter, Rebecca	Bingocize! Adapting and piloting an exergaming system for Autistic children and youth	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Hamadeh, Mazen	Vitamin D deficiency and intracellular calcium trafficking and endoplasmic reticulum stress in a mouse model of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00

	Khalid, Ahmad	Using Experiential Simulation-Based Learning to increase students' ability to analyze increasingly complex global health challenges: A mixed methods study	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Lee, Tsorng-Yeh	The effects of the mindful food journey on mental well-being	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Lum, Lillie	Nursing Leadership Challenges during a Pandemic: Lessons Learned	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Mongrain, Myriam	Mindfulness, autonomy and the propensity towards compassionate action.	\$3,508.00		\$3,508.00
	Murray, Richard	Visual perception of surface colour in virtual reality	\$2,759.99		\$2,759.99
	Phillips, Devin	Understanding biological sex differences in the neural control of breathing	\$3,090.25	\$2,000.00	\$3,090.25
	Pierce, Lara	Early life stress, the early language environment and neurodevelopment	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
	Wardell, Jeffrey	Pilot investigation of ecological momentary assessment for capturing effects of different modes of cannabis consumption	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
	Zhang, Xijuan	Creating Better Self-Report Measures	\$2,980.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,980.00

### Junior Faculty Funds

(Total granted this fiscal - **\$17,639.00** as outlined in Joint JFF/MRG summary above)

Junior Faculty Funds	Faculty Member	Title of Project	Amount Awarded
November 2022			<b>\$17,639.00</b>



**Collaborative and/or Community-Based Research Seed Grant**

*(Total granted this fiscal \$30,000.00)*

*(Beneva Anxiety Research Grant \$197,080.00)*

<b>Seed Grant</b>	<b>Faculty Member</b>	<b>Title of Project</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
June 2022 Competition  <b>Beneva-Anxiety Research Grant 1<sup>st</sup> Call</b>  (Awarded \$92,400.00)	Lora Appel	AnxEpi-VR: RCT to evaluate the impact of Virtual Reality Exposure Therapy on People with Epilepsy	Year 1: \$43,200 Year 2: \$49,200
November 2022 Competition  <b>Beneva-Anxiety Research Grant 2<sup>nd</sup> Call</b>  (Awarded: \$104,680.00)	Godfred Boateng	Exploring and intervening for anxiety among Black families with children in the criminal justice and child welfare systems	Year 1: \$24,500.00 Year 2: \$10,500.00
	Catrina Buick	Primary HPV Testing Screening Educational Intervention to Address Anxiety and Comprehension	Year 1: \$21,680 Year 2: \$13,000.00
	Shayna Rosenbaum	Contributions of anxiety and delay discounting to compliance with COVID-19 public health measures	Year 1: \$17,500 Year 2: \$17,500.00
March 2023  <b>Regular Seed Grant Competition</b>  (Awarded: \$30,000.00)	Elham Dolatabadi	Multimodal Pathway to Characterize Post-Covid Condition	\$15,000.00
	Saeed Moradian	Evaluating Usability and User Satisfaction of the V-Care Prototype through Iterative User-Centered Design	\$15,000.00

## **Report of the Graduate Committee to Faculty of Health Council**

### **ITEM FOR INFORMATION:**

#### **1. Year End Report 2022-2023**

This report summarizes the activities of the Faculty of Health Graduate Committee during the 2022-23 academic period. The Committee was responsible for the adjudication of the following grants/awards:

- Graduate Student Conference Travel Funds
- The graduate student component of the Meighen Wright Foundation Maternal-Child Health Scholars Program
- March of Dimes Graduate Scholarship
- Sammy Graduate Scholarship in Autism Research
- Graduate Student Short Course and Workshop Fund
- Harvey Skinner Agents of Change Award

**Graduate Student Conference Travel Funds**

*(Total granted this fiscal - \$51,490.47)*

<b>Graduate Student Conference Travel Funds</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
May 2022 Competition Awarded: \$29,682.97	Alter, Udi	\$1,000.00
	Battaglia, Anthony	\$1,000.00
	Bell, Stephanie	\$652.25
	Beribisky, Nataly	\$1,000.00
	D'Amario, Sebastian	\$1,000.00
	Davidson, Tal	\$1,000.00
	Diplock, Benjamin	\$1,000.00
	Disimino, Katerina	\$1,000.00
	Esteves, Jeffrey	\$1,000.00
	Farrelly, Kyra	\$1,000.00
	Fox, Nicolle	\$1,000.00
	Gastrock, Raphael	\$1,000.00
	Goodman, Carly	\$1,000.00
	Green, Rivka	\$1,000.00
	Hall, Meaghan	\$1,000.00
	Kim, JongJin	\$1,000.00
	Lavalle, Lisa	\$605.43
	Lee, Kate	\$282.54
	Mahna, Alexandra	\$1,000.00
	Martinez Gutierrez, Naomi	\$1,000.00
	Nachman, Jessica	\$1,000.00
	Onorato, Paolina	\$1,000.00
	Qasim, Kashmala	\$1,000.00
Raposo, Stephanie	\$1,000.00	
Ritchie, Emma	\$975.75	
Russell, Matthew	\$1,000.00	

<b>Graduate Student Conference Travel Funds</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
	Salis, Desiree	\$1,000.00
	Singh Ghumman, Arjunvir	\$167.00
	Tu, Eric	\$1,000.00
	Weinberg, Sara	\$1,000.00
	Easton, Steacy	\$1,000.00
November 2022 Competition Awarded: \$21,807.50	Axenova, Kristina	\$1,000.00
	Benitah, Katie	\$1,000.00
	Bissada, Emily	\$1,000.00
	Blumberg, Michelle	\$1,000.00
	Bondi, Bianca	\$807.50
	Carolli, Alecia	\$1,000.00
	Champigny, Claire	\$1,000.00
	Chan, Courtney	\$1,000.00
	Chan, Samantha	\$1,000.00
	Demy, Jazzmin	\$1,000.00
	Fabri, Tracy	\$1,000.00
	Fagnoli Brown, Zoe	\$1,000.00
	Fulham, Lindsay	\$1,000.00
	Ibrahim, Alaa	\$1,000.00
	Lyon, Rachael	\$1,000.00
	Mills, Annie	\$1,000.00
	Salerno-Ferraro, Alisha	\$1,000.00
	Sellitto, Teresa	\$1,000.00
	Tran, Hannah	\$1,000.00
	Waisman, Anna	\$1,000.00
	Wyatt, Lindsay	\$1,000.00
	Zhou, Kai	\$1,000.00

**Meighen Wright Maternal-Child Health Graduate Scholarship**

March 2023 Competition

- Badal, Ana \$10,000.00
- Demy, Jazzmin \$10,000.00
- Hamwi, Ljain \$10,000.00
- Jasim, Sara \$10,000.00
- Jordan, Krissy \$10,000.00
- Letendre, Thierry \$10,000.00

**March of Dimes Graduate Scholarship**

December 2022 Competition

- Butterfield, Kaitlyn \$1,250.00

**Sammy Graduate Scholarship in Autism Research**

December 2022 Competition

- Kuan, Tian \$6,000.00

**Graduate Student Short Course and Workshop Funds**

*(Total granted this fiscal - \$1,000.00)*

<b>Graduate Student Short Course and Workshop Funds</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
February 2023 Competition	Varma, Sonya	\$1,000.00

**Dr. Harvey Skinner Agents of Change Award**

March 2023 Competition

- McKenzie, Stephanie \$500.00

**Report of the Petitions Committee  
of the Faculty of Health Council  
September 2023**

**ITEM FOR INFORMATION:**

**Year End Report 2022-2023**

Committee members review material via Moodle and note individual decisions prior to weekly meetings, where final decisions are confirmed. Since March 2020, all Committee meetings have been facilitated using Zoom Conferencing to accommodate the remote working conditions. In 2022, the committee offered the opportunity for hybrid meetings to accommodate members who preferred to attend the meeting in-person and those who preferred to attend virtually.

Beginning in 2020, the Petitions Faculty Council Report is presented at the September council meeting and analyzes trends and statistics for the entire term from July 1 to June 30. Prior to 2021, the Petitions Faculty Council Reports were presented at the May council meetings and reviewed the trends and statistics from July to April. The 2023 report will continue to review the trends and statistics for the entire 2022-23 term from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, while comparing it to trends within the same timeframe during the 2021-22 term. However, for a long-term view on petitions, the report will also present a summary chart of number comparisons during the July – April period spanning from 2015-2023.

In 2022-2023, a total of 962 requests were adjudicated in the timeframe of July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. By comparison, in 2021-2022, a total of 843 requests were adjudicated in the same timeframe. This represents a 12.37% overall increase in petitions from last year. Similarly, petitions saw a 18.95% increase in late withdrawal petitions from last year. Late withdrawal petitions are the most common petitions and the trends for this petition request directly align with the overall trend of an increase in petition submissions.

Petitions to waive academic decisions in 2022-2023 remained consistent to 2021-2022 trends with only minor fluctuations in submission totals. These petitions include requests for: waiver of required withdrawal, waiver of debarment regulations and waiver of Honours standing regulations.

Requests for the pass/fail option have returned to pre-pandemic submission levels with a moderate decrease in 2022-2023. Similarly, requests for waivers are also seeing relatively consistent submissions with minor fluctuations in these categories.

In alignment with the increase in petitions, the Faculty of Health Petitions Committee saw a slight increase in requests for deferred standing/extension of deferred standing in 2022-2023, with an overall increase of 14.07% compared to 2021-2022. In the 2021-2022 report, it was suggested that the increase in overall deferred standing requests could be attributed to the gradual return to regular deferred standing procedures with fewer exceptional accommodations. With the return to more in-person operations/course offerings in 2022-2023, this increase in submissions seems appropriate.

As was predicted in the previous report, the petition submission levels have started to re-align with pre-pandemic statistics. With the return to regular operating procedures at York University, exceptional increases and decreases to petition types by term were less common between the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 and the trends seem to be more consistent.



**The following chart summarizes petitions adjudicated by the Petitions Committee between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023, inclusive.**

<b>Academic Petitions July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023</b>				
(Categories include petitions and appeals, except the “Appeal to Remove ‘W’ on Transcript Granted by Petition” category which only includes appeals)				
<b>Petition Type</b>	<b>Approved</b>		<b>Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
Late Withdrawal	Removal	Withdrawn	244	607
	33	330		
Late Enrolment/Add	2		1	3
Pass/Fail Alternative Grading Option	7		11	18
Course Overload	48		6	54
Deferred Standing	53		11	64
Grade Reappraisal (Late Submission)	0		0	0
Letter of Permission (Late Submission)	0		1	1
Course Repeat / CCE Waiver	10		11	21
Appeal to Remove “W” on Transcript Granted by Petition	0		1	1
<b>Waivers</b>				
Waiver of Honours Standing Regulation	54		24	78
Waiver of Required Withdrawal	24		36	60
Waiver of Debarment	6		15	21

Petition Type	Approved	Refused	Total
Upgrade GPA in Attempt to Graduate (Additional Credits)	11	3	14
Waiver of Elective Requirement	0	0	0
Waiver of General Education Requirement	4	3	7
Waiver of Major or Minor Requirement	0	2	2
Waiver of Upper-Level Course Requirement	0	1	1
Waiver of Degree Requirement	0	4	4
Departmental/Programme Waiver: Course Substitution for Major or Minor Requirements	0	0	0
Waiver: Graduate Without Minimum Required GPA	0	1	1
Other	2	3	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>962</b>

The following chart summarizes the number of past petition regulations adjudicated by the Petitions Committee for a comparative view of trends within the July – April timeframe.

Petition Type	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-2022	2022-2023
Late Withdrawal	475	742	558	282	519	427	331	347
Late Enrolment/Add	8	1	3	1	2	5	2	1
Pass/Fail Alternative Grading Option	1	1	1	1	1	68	17	9
Course Overload	22	16	15	28	29	43	34	18
Deferred Standing	52	74	74	117	102	26	23	27
Grade Reappraisal (Late Submission)	1	3	0	0	2	0	2	0
Letter of Permission (Late Submission)	5	5	0	0	2	1	2	0
Course Repeat/Waiver of CCE Regulations	12	15	10	5	7	11	9	9
Appeal to Remove “W” on Transcript Granted by Petition	N/A	0	4	4	2	3	6	1
<b>Waivers</b>								
Honours Waiver	39		69	27	78	58	49	42
Waiver of Required Withdrawal	49 (combined Required Withdrawal and Debarment)	68	61	0	78	69	24	17
Waiver of Debarment		26	15	2	31	18	7	15
Upgrade GPA in Attempt to Graduate	14	23	14	4	9	17	6	4
Waiver of Elective Requirement	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Petition Type	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-2023
Waiver of General Education Requirement	3	7	11	0	7	9	8	3
Waiver of Major Requirement	1	2	1	1	4	0	0	0
Waiver of Upper-Level Requirement	2	0	0	1	2	0	3	1
Waiver of Degree Requirement	0	2	3	3	4	4	2	3
Other					2	5		3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>500</b>