

# **Towards the University Academic Plan 2025-2030**

## **Community Open Forum on the Next UAP**

**Sponsored by the Senate Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee**

**Thursday, 27 November 2025 9:30am to 12:00pm**

**Dr Robert Everett Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building**

All members of the University community are invited to participate in an academic planning forum scheduled at a critical stage in the development of the 2025-2030 University Academic Plan. This forum will be focused on the approach to the development of the next Academic Plan. It has been designed to be interactive, using multiple methods for engagement including a real time audience polling and feedback technology. We encourage participants to bring computers, tablets or phones, if possible, to facilitate participation.

Participants will be asked to consider and share views on APPRC's recommendation that the approach to the next UAP should be **the preparation of an updated version of the current Plan that sustains the core broad priorities while introducing room for bold strategies that focus on York's leadership as an institution of higher learning and that demonstrates its relevance locally and globally.**

Discussion questions at the forum will include:

- What aspects of the current UAP are outdated and need updating?
- What work on priorities is progressing well and indicates potential for continuity?
- What are the most important opportunities for the University to seize over the next five years?
- What role should the UN SDGs framework should play going forward in defining York's University Academic Plan?

The Chair of APPRC, Professor Monique Herbert, will moderate and open proceedings with brief remarks on the process leading to the new UAP. Following, Provost Lisa Philipps will provide contextual remarks on the academic planning landscape. Discussion at the forum will be facilitated through both a plenary session discussion and the use of polling software to gather individual responses to the set of discussion questions.

Participants are asked to be prepared to share reflections on APPRC's recommended approach to the next UAP and to engage in critical discourse with members of the community and the Senate Committee that will inform the development of the new Plan for approval by Senate. Background material to help prepare participants for this session have been posted on a [UAP renewal website](#).

RSVPs are kindly requested to ensure space needs are met. To confirm your attendance, fill in the [online form](#). Members of the community who are unable to attend in person can participate virtually in the forum; requests for online participation can be indicated on the RSVP form.