



**2015 Governing Council Elections**  
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<p><b>Dina Brooks</b></p> <p>Dr. D. Brooks holds a Canada Research Chair (Tier2). She is a full Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy, University of Toronto. She is trained as a physical therapist and a physiologist and is recognized internationally as a leader in individuals with respiratory and/or cardiovascular disease. She has over 200 peer peer-reviewed published papers and holds many operating and infrastructure grants.</p>	<p><b>Luc De Nil</b></p> <p>I am a professor in the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Speech-Language Pathology. Since my appointment in 1990, I have held several leadership positions including graduate coordinator, department Chair, Executive Chair of the Rehabilitation Sciences Sector and Speaker of Faculty Council. Currently I'm serving as Vice-Dean Students in the School of Graduate Studies while maintaining an active teaching and research program. My academic and leadership track record as well as participation in university governance through membership on committees such as Academic Board and Academic Policies and Programs has given me the experience to be an engaged member of Governing Council.</p>
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<p><b>K. Sonu Gaind</b></p> <p>I am honoured to have been put forth as a nominee for Governing Council, and seek your support and vote. The University of Toronto has been the centre of my academic and professional life for nearly 3 decades, from undergraduate through postgraduate years to my current academic appointment as Associate Professor. Throughout my many leadership roles I have demonstrated excellence in teaching, policy development, organization management and innovation. I have developed a diverse and unique skillset, and would welcome the opportunity to work with my Council colleagues for the continued enhancement of our remarkable University. Please check: <a href="http://www.drsonugaind.com">www.drsonugaind.com</a></p>	<p><b>Avrum I. Gotlieb</b></p> <p>Avrum I. Gotlieb is former Chair of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology and former Interim Vice Dean, Graduate and Life Education. He has been Chair of the Planning and Budget Subcommittee of Academic Board and is completing his first term on Governing Council with membership on Business Board. He has developed undergraduate life sciences, undergraduate medicine and graduate education programs and advocates for mentored research opportunities for undergraduate and medical students. Based on his extensive experience he lectures and recently authored a book on career planning in biomedical and life sciences. His research interests are in the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis. <a href="mailto:avrum.gotlieb@utoronto.ca">avrum.gotlieb@utoronto.ca</a></p>
<p><b>Fernando Teixeira</b></p> <p>I have been a member Faculty of Medicine for 10 years. As a clinician in emergency medicine, my academic focus lies in undergraduate education and the development of learner curriculae based on the principles of inter-professional education and their application to the CanMeds framework. As your representative to Governing Council, I commit to the stewardship of "Towards 2030", our university's framework document guiding the evolution and development of post-secondary education at the undergraduate and post-graduate level. I bring the qualities of communication, co-operation and passion to council while representing our faculty's strengths; globally recognized clinicians, educators and researchers.</p>	