



Voting Instructions for the 2012 Academic Board Election Teaching Staff – Faculty of Arts and Science

For purposes of Academic Board elections, "**Teaching Staff**" means the employees of the University, University College, the Constituent Colleges and the arts and science faculties of the Federated Universities who hold the academic rank of professor, associate professor, assistant professor, full-time lecturer or part-time lecturer, unless such part-time lecturer is registered as a Student, or who hold any other rank created by the Governing Council and designated by it as an academic rank for the purposes of clause 1(1)(m) of the *University of Toronto Act, 1971*. For the purpose of Governing Council elections, lecturer includes the ranks of Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Tutor, and Senior Tutor. Lecturer also includes associates in the Faculty of Dentistry. Assistant Professor (conditional), Sessional Lecturer I, Sessional Lecturer II, Sessional Lecturer III, Athletics Instructor and Senior Athletics Instructor have been designated by the Governing Council as academic ranks for the purposes of clause 1(1)(m) of the *Act*.

Teaching staff who hold their major appointments in the **Faculty of Arts and Science** are eligible to participate in this election.

Please read the instructions and the candidates' statements provided below before voting.

A. Paper Ballots

1. Teaching staff who do not have an email account within the utoronto.ca domain registered in the Human Resources Information System (HRIS) are eligible to vote in the Teaching Staff Governing Council elections using a paper ballot; they cannot vote online.
2. Paper ballots were mailed by the Office of the Governing Council on Wednesday, February 22, 2012.
3. Ballots must be returned to the Office of the Governing Council, Simcoe Hall, Room 106, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9, 2012. Ballots received after this time will be invalid.

B. Online Voting

1. All teaching staff who have an email account within the utoronto.ca domain registered in the Human Resources Information System (HRIS) must vote on-line at the website listed below.
<https://elections.governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/surveyviewer2/index.php?surveyID=S64E>
2. Voting commences at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, February 27, 2012, and concludes on Friday, March 9, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
3. You may vote for only one (1) candidate out of the two (2) candidates.

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4. To access the on-line ballot, you must enter your personnel number and date of birth¹.
5. Verification of your eligibility to vote in the teaching staff election will be determined by records provided by the HRIS.
6. Once the system has recognized you as a valid voter, you will be directed to the teaching staff ballot.
7. Once you have accessed the ballot, you **MUST** cast your vote. If you log-on and then exit the ballot without voting, you will not be able to re-access the ballot.
8. If you do not select a candidate, a warning message will inform you that a selection has not been made. If you choose to cast a blank vote, the ballot will be accepted as submitted.
9. After your vote is registered, you cannot access the ballot a second time.

Candidates' Statements

Professor Mounir Georges AbouHaidar

Education: M.Sc., Ph.D., DS (Strasbourg University)

Position: Professor of Virology (Cell & Systems Biology, since 1979).

Research: Plant and animal viruses (over 40 postgraduates).

Experience:

- Council Member (University of Toronto Faculty Association (UTFA) for over 20 years)
- Member of numerous UTFA standing committees (Salary and benefit committee, Grievance committee, External affair etc.)
- Member of numerous University and Departmental committees.

Issues:

- Quality of education (number of students in class). Funding to accelerate the discoveries and innovation (true Harvard of the North).
- Workload, governance (e.g. pension management, academic & financial planning), academic freedom issues etc.

Professor Vince Tropepe

Associate Professor, Department of Cell and Systems Biology, Member of the U of T Collaborative Programs in Developmental Biology and Neuroscience, and the UHN-Vision Science Research Program. My research focuses on brain and retinal development and adult neurogenesis. I teach undergraduate courses on gene expression and neurogenesis, and a graduate course on neural plasticity. Serving on the Academic Board will give me the opportunity to actively engage in shaping the academic and research priorities of the university. If elected, I would represent the scholars in my constituency with passion and a commitment toward advancing the excellence of our programs.

If you are ready to vote, please [click here](#).

Thank you for participating in the Governing Council elections process.

¹ Please note that your personnel number and your vote are stored separately in order to protect confidentiality.