

2016 Governing Council Elections
Teaching Staff (Constituency V) - Candidates' Statements

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Luc De Nil As a professor in the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Speech-Language Pathology, since 1990 I have held several leadership positions including graduate coordinator, department Chair, Executive Chair of the Rehabilitation Sciences and Speaker of Faculty Council. Currently, I'm serving as Vice-Dean in the School of Graduate Studies while maintaining an active teaching and research program. My academic and leadership experiences and participation in university governance on Academic Board and Academic Policies and Programs will allow me to be an active member of Governing Council and to be a strong voice for graduate education and research.	K. Sonu Gaind I am honoured to have been nominated as a candidate for Governing Council, and seek your support and vote. As clinicians we have the privilege of helping others through times of need, as educators we can inspire and train those following us, and as administrators we carry the responsibility to set effective policies for the public good. Throughout my leadership roles I have demonstrated excellence and innovation in all these areas, and welcome the opportunity to work strategically and collaboratively with my Council colleagues for the continued enhancement of our remarkable University. For more background check: www.drsonugaind.com
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<p>Richard L. Horner</p> <p>Richard Horner is a Professor in the Department of Medicine and Physiology, and he would be willing and able member of Governing Council. He sits on multiple divisional, departmental and faculty leadership committees. He leads undergraduate and graduate programs, and directs research and training programs spanning departments, faculties and institutions. He has won various awards, including from the Faculty of Medicine in 2015 (<i>'Sustained Excellence in Graduate Teaching and Mentorship'</i>) and 2013 (<i>'Excellence in Linking Undergraduate Teaching to Research'</i>).</p>	<p>Reinhart Reithmeier</p> <p>Professor Reinhart Reithmeier is known internationally for his research on membrane proteins in human health and disease. An award-winning lecturer, Dr. Reithmeier enjoys teaching introductory biochemistry to over 1,000 undergraduate students every year, as well as upper level and graduate courses. As former Chair of Biochemistry and Special Advisor to the Dean of SGS, Dr. Reithmeier is dedicated to ensuring that graduate students develop the essential skills to succeed in academia and beyond. As a member of Governing Council Dr. Reithmeier would focus on policies that improve the student experience and elevate U of T's international standing.</p>
<p>Andrea Sass-Kortsak</p> <p>I have just completed my term as Associate Dean, Academic Affairs – Dalla Lana School of Public Health. Prior to this, I served as Vice Dean, Graduate Affairs in the Faculty of Medicine (2007-2012). I am completing my second term on Governing Council and have been honoured to serve as Chair of Academic Board for the past two years. After 30 years of academic, administrative and governance experience, I have an excellent understanding of the University, the climate in which it operates and key issues it faces. I welcome the opportunity to continue to contribute.</p>	<p>Salvatore M. Spadafora</p> <p>As a current member of Governing Council, I am seeking reappointment as a Governor. I have served on six Governing Council Boards & Committees and find it rewarding to contribute to the University's mission and to assist with oversight of its academic, business, and student affairs. As a Professor in the Department of Anesthesia and a member of the decanal team in Medicine, I appreciate the complex issues for the teachers and the faculty. I have a strong track record in leadership roles and committee work, and I will continue to be an effective and valuable member of Governing Council.</p>

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Sean Symons

Interested in contributing to Governing Council strategic planning, budgeting, infrastructure planning, academics, and learner experience. Have prior governance experience in hospitals and other universities. Currently: Associate Professor Medical Imaging and Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery, Fellowship Program Director Medical Imaging, Deputy Radiologist-in-Chief and Head Neuroradiology Sunnybrook, Secretary Sunnybrook MDMSA, Vice-Chair Sunnybrook AFP Board, and Chair RCPSC Neuroradiology Examination Committee. Education: BASc Industrial Engineering UofT, MPH Biostatistics Columbia, MD UofT, Diagnostic Radiology Residency Queen's, Neuroradiology Fellowship Harvard, and MBA (2016) Imperial College London. Research focuses: brain tumour, neurodegenerative, head & neck, stroke, and neurovascular imaging by CT and MRI.
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