



**Memorandum to:** Governing Council  
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President, University of Toronto Alumni Association  
Alumni of the University

**From:** Richard B. Nunn  
Chair of the Governing Council

**Date:** April 8, 2013

**Re:** **Presidential Transition**

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I am writing to update the University of Toronto community about transition plans for the Presidency of the University.

The Senior Appointments and Compensation Committee of the Governing Council has accepted a submission from President David Naylor, supported by President-designate Meric Gertler, that the current January 1<sup>st</sup> date for the presidential transition might reasonably be moved forward. President Naylor will therefore leave office on October 31<sup>st</sup> and President-designate Meric Gertler will assume the presidency on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Plans are underway for an installation ceremony for Professor Gertler soon after.

As most members of our community already know, Professor Gertler will step down as Dean of Arts and Science on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Professor David Cameron will be Interim Dean of the Faculty. Professor Gertler will be on leave until August 31<sup>st</sup>. To maintain orderly and fair decision-making, Professor Gertler as a general practice will not be booking meetings related to his new role before November 1<sup>st</sup>. However, from September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, Professor Gertler will be working from an office in Simcoe Hall, and participating in a variety of planning sessions, as well as in internal and external events and meetings with President Naylor.

On behalf of the Governing Council, I want to thank the University community for the support that so many of you have given already in ensuring that the administrative change-over is seamless and effective.