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College Council Friday, October 18th, 2019, 1:30pm – 3:30pm Room 161

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| Donald Ainslie | Emily Gilbert | Ho K. Sung | Elizabeth Legge |
| John Marshall | Jim John | Carolyn MacLeod | Nelson Wiseman |
| Ryan Woolfrey | Michelle Atkin | Danielle Stella | Sean Mills |
| Melinda Scott | Pia Kleber | Sylvia Bashevkin | Jennifer Jenkins (late) |
| Yvonne MacNeil | Jerry Plotnick | Sadie Livingstone (DON) | Rick Salutin |
| Margaret Fulford | Varun Lodaya | Emily Kakouris | Danielle King (COG) |
| Emily Kakouris | Muskan Nagra | Nabil Fancy (CAD) | Noah Petrie |

Regrets:

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| Tamara Trojanowska | Sarah Wakefield | Thomas Pender | Keren Rice |
| Naomi Handley | Smaro Kamboureli | Cameron Crookston (GRAD) | Isabelle Cochelin |
| Ruth Masuka | Brenda Cossman | Steven Zhu | Justin To |
| Julia Rodriguez | Walid Saleh | Nikki Cesare | Aanya Bahl |
| Dana Seitler | Barbara Fischer | Maureen Huang | |

Officers:

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| David Klausner | Zehra Ladak | | |
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Guest:

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| Cheryl Gibbs | Bonnie Kirsh | Caroline Rabbat | Lori MacIntyre |
| Emily Sands | Brett Lovai | Lisa Mar | |

Quorum (1/3 of College Council Voting Members) – Met.

WELCOME

1. Motion to approve minutes of the meeting held on March 29, 2019

Motion called by Pia Kleber
Motion seconded by Varun Lodaya
Motion Approved unanimously

**2. Motion for a moment of silence for Professor Frederick J. Marker
(Read by: Pia Kleber)**

Be it resolved that the Council of University College deeply regrets the death at the end of August of Frederick J. Marker, Professor Emeritus of English and Drama.

Fred was born in 1936. He was invited by Clifford Leech to join the Department of English at University College as an Assistant Professor in 1967. After a distinguished career, he retired from the University in 2001. For three decades, Fred together with his wife and collaborator, Lise-Lone Marker, wrote seminal works on pioneering, 20th-century directors such as Gordon Craig, Ingmar Bergman; critical studies of Ibsen and Strindberg; and a definitive history of Scandinavian theatre. After the death of Lise-Lone in 2013, Fred was fortunately to meet his second wife, Anne Dupre.

Fred was a valued member of the UC community and an enthusiastic supporter of UC students and of the UC Revitalization. Both Fred and Anne were frequent visitors at the Monday Senior Common Room luncheons and UC receptions, and he was always willing to share his tremendous knowledge with colleagues and students.

What makes Fred's death especially painful was that it happened as the result of a car accident. His wife Anne survived with multiple injuries.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be entered in the minutes of College Council.

**3. Motion for a moment of silence for Katherine Morrison by Paul Perron
(Read by: Emily Kakouris)**

Be it resolved that the Council of University College deeply regrets the death on October 3, 2019 of Katherine Morrison who was predeceased by her spouse Russell Morrison (MA, 1947 and LL.D. 2014, University of Toronto) three years ago day-for-day on October 3, 2016.

Katherine Long Morrison was born in Detroit, Michigan on February 1, 1925, the only child of Mason and Melinda Long. She took her BA from the University of Michigan in 1947 and while

raising her family she earned her MA from Concordia University in Montreal in 1971 and her Ph.D. in English Literature from the University of Toronto in 1979. She subsequently taught courses in Continuing Studies at the University of Toronto and received an honorary LL.D. from the University of Toronto in 2004.

Katherine and Russell Morrison's extraordinary philanthropy to our University and to other social causes and institutions of higher learning are widely recognized across the nation. Their vision of the role of education and the social good has profoundly affected young adults who shall also make a real difference in the future of our country. Their lead gifts to University of Toronto libraries (Morrison Pavilion and Robarts Common), to Morrison Hall at University College, as well as those to other universities in Ontario and Saskatchewan, were critical, long term and transformational. In addition they were founding donors of Pathways to Education to help disadvantaged youths across Canada to complete their high school graduation, and of the Lorán Scholars Foundation to grant university and college scholarships for high school students who demonstrate character, leadership and commitment to the community. Both of these foundations have made a real and lasting difference to the educational experience of many high school and university students across Canada, leaving a legacy of change that has had a profound impact on the people of our nation.

For Katherine Morrison, only the examined life was worth living as she found time to pursue her scholarly and intellectual interests; she read widely on democracy, citizenship, politics, economics, literature and, after she moved to Toronto, was a member of the Arts and Letters Club to which she initiated numerous friends. After completing her dissertation Katherine published a number of learned articles in American and Canadian academic journals and two important and original interdisciplinary books: *Canadians Are Not Americans: Myth and Literary Traditions* (2003), and the second, at the age of 89, *Loyalism and the Conquest: Historical Roots*, that attest to her unflagging and profound interest in the origins and future of Canadian society.

Katherine will be greatly missed by her friends and three children, Donna (Mark), Leslie (Tony), and Robert (Nui); seven grandchildren Charlotte (Chris), Eliot (Inchai), Ben (Jennifer), Laura (Joey), Daniel, David and Aria; and three great-grandchildren, Sebastien, Freya, and Mary.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be entered in the minutes of College Council.

4. **Motion to approve committee membership for 2019 - 20**

I. **Scholarship Committee**

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| Registrar | Ryan Woolfrey |
| Dean of Students | Melinda Scott |
| Financial Aid & Awards Advisor (Non Voting) | Claire Skinner |
| Assistant Dean, Student Life | Naeem Ordonez |
| 5 Teaching Staff | Joe Repka |
| | Mike Lorimer |
| | James Reilly |
| | Ken Green |
| | Christina Kramer |
| 3 undergraduate students (Appointed by UC Lit) | Liam Bryant |
| | Andrea Estrabillo |
| | Kyle Gluntz |

II. **Curriculum Committee**

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| Vice-Principal | John Marshall |
| Registrar | Ryan Woolfrey |
| All Program Directors from College Programs | Emily Gilbert |
| | Sarah Wakefield |
| | Jim John |
| 3 Teaching Staff | Lorne Tepperman |
| | Sean Mills |
| | Yang Xu |
| 2 students appointed by Program Course Unions | Nabil Fancy (CAD) |
| | Danielle King (COG) |

Motion called by Donald Ainslie

Motion seconded by Pia Kleber

Motion Approved unanimously

5. **REPORTS**

I. **Update from the Principal, Donald Ainslie
(Presentation attached – Appendix 1)**

- Revitalization & UC Quad updated (slides)
 - Questions raised around the Quad gate, natural lawn and irrigation methods all addressed.
- The contractors for the interior renovation should be finished by end of January. Soft opening planned for spring, while the official opening postponed to fall.
- List of upcoming endowed lectures (slides)
 - Committee for nominating speakers for the upcoming year is being established – nominations are welcome.
- Update on searches (slides). Nomination are welcome

- Faculty opening for Art History and Art Museum has three finalists who will be giving talks that are open to all to attend. (slides)
- Fall UC convocation Nov 4th. (slides)

II. Update from the Lit, Danielle Stella

- Elections have been completed; the UC Lit is now fully established and running
- The Lit extended thanks to Melinda Scott for showing up to the emergency meeting on mental health, infrastructure, and what the Lit can do for the students following a tragic incident on campus.
- The SGRT meeting was successful; thank you to the admin and faculty who attended.
- Diablos has been running since Sept 16.
- There have been consultations on the mental health task force and sexual violence policies; the Lit is working closely with the teams involved to represent student voices.
- The Lit is handing out coupons in the JCR, to support the Book Sale.
- The Lit organized a gathering for the Global Climate Strike, prior to going to Queen's Park and down to march in the strike.
- The Lit town hall will be held in 2 weeks; it is an opportunity for executives and representatives to meet the community.
- The fall opt-out numbers are in.
 - The Lit is working on marketing and advertising in the next few weeks, in the hopes of possibly converting some people from opting-out.
 - The percentage of opt-out is at 22%
 - 19% opted out of everything
 - The remaining chose to opt-out of more arts and equity-based initiatives.
 - This is the first year of the Ford government's Student Choice Initiative.
- The naming competition for the new café has been narrowed down to three options, all with an owl theme. The UC website will be open for voting and you can look for it in the next email blast.
- The new spirit commissioner hopes to get some new spirit wear up and running; once that happens, there will be a sale.

III. Update from the Chief Administrative Officer, Yvonne MacNeil

- The book sale is now in swing.
- CAO office will be working out costing with Registrar for the proposed Registrar's Office renovation.
- There has been a successful international summer program; no money has been lost on it, although there were some visa problems for the students coming in.
- All three building were entirely booked for the entire summer.
- Welcome to Lisa Lomax, the new Facilities Manager, who brings with her valuable experience; she will be responsible for certain residence tasks, like managing food service, maintenance, and supervising caretaking staff.
- Roof repair will continue in Sir Dan's Residence.
- Currently in process of budgeting for ancillary operations.

IV. Update from the Registrar, Ryan Woolfrey

Staffing Updates

- Katrina Groen, the college's Financial Aid & Awards Advisor, took on a new role in the Arts & Science Registrar's Office earlier this summer as their Coordinator of Records and Enrolment.
- Katrina's successor began last month; Claire Skinner joins us from Humber College, and previously worked in financial aid at Enrolment Services after completing her degree at UofT.
- Stacey Upton joined us back in May on a casual contract as a Front Line Advisor, and will be with us until the end of January.
- After 15 years of service to the college, our Associate Registrar Linda Nauman has accepted a new position in the Rotman Commerce Program Office. Linda will serve as Rotman's Associate Director, Academic Program Services.
- A search for our new Associate Registrar, First-Year Experience is currently underway, and we'll have someone in place next month.

Advising Update

- One of the busiest times of the year in our office is the start of the Fall Term
- For the first two weeks of classes, advisors saw both newly admitted and returning students on a drop-in basis only to improve access to advising services during a critical and high demand time of the year
- During those nine (9) days, four advisors in the Registrar's Office met with over 250 students on a drop-in basis
- Phone advising at the start of term was very busy as well; in the first two weeks of classes, front line advisors spent over 19 hours with close to 500 students on the phone
- Despite the large volume of calls, our average wait time for the first two weeks of classes was just over one minute
- Drop-in advising continues three times per week, and scheduled appointments for students remain available as well

Recruitment, Admissions & Enrolment Updates

- University College admitted approximately 1,234 new students in September 2019 (2018: 1,167)
 - This represents 18.5% of the total Arts & Science new student population (6,664)
 - 868 (71%) Domestic [Canadian Citizen/Permanent Resident] (2018: 858)
 - 367 (29%) International [Study Permit/Other Visa] (2018: 254) [2019 A&S: 31%]
 - Newly admitted UC students represent 60 different countries from around the globe
- In total, University College has approximately 5,033 registered students in the 2019-20 Fall/Winter Session [2018: 5,025]
 - By Year of Study
 - 1290 Year 1 (26%)
 - 1238 Year 2 (25%)
 - 1145 Year 3 (24%)
 - 1318 Year 4 (26%)
 - 42 Non-Degree (1%)
 - By Attendance Status
 - 4,601 (91%) Full-Time

- 432 (9%) Part-Time
 - By Domestic/International
 - 3,806 (76%) Domestic [Canadian Citizen/Permanent Resident]
 - 1,227 (24%) International [Study Permit/Other Visa]
- A&S and Enrolment Services are currently preparing for the 2019-20 admissions cycle
- A couple of major changes are in the works for this year's admissions cycle
- First, applicants will no longer rank all seven colleges in their application; instead, they will list up to three college preferences
- Additionally, there are changes to the way Computer Science students are admitted to first year for the upcoming admissions cycle
- Much like the model in place currently at Rotman Commerce, prospective students who wish to study computer science will need to complete a supplemental application in order to complete their application to the University – students will be admitted on a combination of their high school grades and score on this supplemental application
- Once admitted, competition for enrolment into the Computer Science program in Year 2 will be much less intense – instead of having to meet an extremely high cutoff grade that changes annually in both of the introductory Computer Science courses, students will just need to obtain a much lower minimum grade in their first year Computer Science courses to progress into Year 2
- This means that the vast majority of students who are admitted to the Computer Science admission category in Year 1 will be able to enrol in the program in Year 2

Scholarships & Financial Aid Updates

- There have been some significant changes to OSAP effective this academic year
- In short, students are receiving less total funding, and much more of their funding is being given in the form of loans instead of grants
- Compared to last year, 8% fewer UC students are receiving OSAP, and for those who are, we've seen a decrease in the average OSAP entitlement of almost 20%
- The University is currently reviewing the way in which it allocates UTAPS funding, which is a grant provided by the University to cover need that's unmet by OSAP – but it's unclear at this time how much a difference this will make
- Our office is receiving more applications for UofT grant assistance than we've seen in previous years, and students' budget deficits are higher
- We're committed to providing students who have financial need with grant funding to support them through their studies – if you know a student who is in financial need, please direct them to the Registrar's Office so we can help
- Our newly admitted registrants in September 2019 include the following major scholarship recipients:
 - One Pearson Scholar
 - One C. David Naylor Scholar
 - Eight President's Scholars of Excellence
 - 37 University of Toronto Scholars
- The University of Toronto has nominated a UC student for the Rhodes Scholarship this year
- The UC Scholarship Committee has awarded:
 - 881 admission, graduating, and in-course scholarships totalling over \$724,484
 - 20 travel awards totalling over \$56,246

- For Information: 2018-19 Award Expenditures (Appendix 2)
- For Approval: New and Amended Awards (Appendix 3)
 - MOTION:** Be it resolved that University College Council approve the following new and amended scholarships that have been reviewed by the 2018-19 Scholarship Committee:
 - Lorraine Scott Bursary
 - Awards will be made on the basis of financial need. Awards will vary in number and value according to students' needs
 - Bonte Minnema Awards Honouring Sexual Diversity Advocacy

Current Terms

These awards are open to all undergraduate students who are enrolled in a specialist or major program in Sexual Diversity Studies and who can demonstrate financial need. Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated leadership in or commitment to LGBTQ advocacy. Applications for these awards must be submitted to the Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies. The Director of the Centre will then recommend possible recipients for the awards to the University College Registrar.

New Terms

These awards are open to all undergraduate students who have demonstrated leadership in and/or commitment to LGBTQ advocacy. Applications for these awards must be submitted to the Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies. The Director of the Centre will then recommend possible recipients for the awards to the University College Registrar.

Motion called by Ryan Woolfrey
 Motion seconded by Pia Kleber
 Motion Approved unanimously

Upcoming Award Deadlines

Harcourt Brown Travel Fellowship

To provide assistance to graduate students, junior (i.e. untenured) faculty members or post-doctoral students with research-related visits to archives, libraries, museums, galleries or sites essential to the conduct of their research in the humanities and history of ideas. There is no restriction as to location but the award is meant to encourage access to documents.

Application Deadline December 1, 2019

<https://www.uc.utoronto.ca/scholarships-awards/harcourt-brown-travel-fellowship>

- For Information: 2019-20 Harcourt Brown Travel Fellowship – Call for Applications(Appendix 4)

**V. Update from UC Advancement, Naomi Handley (Absent)
 Report read by Emily Kakouris**

Alumni Programming

- UC Books is currently holding their annual book sale in the UC library. The sale runs until October 19. I encourage all members of College Council to support the sale. Proceeds support the UC library.

- The Alumni Mentorship program, sponsored by Manulife, will kick off Wednesday, October 23 with the opening reception, where 3rd and 4th year students will meet their alumni match for the first time. This year there are 57 alumni/student mentorship pairings.
- The 8th Annual Alumni of Influence will be held on Wednesday, November 13 at the Carlu. Principal Designate Markus Stock will be hosting this year's celebration for the first time. Chancellor Rose Patten will be in attendance, bringing remarks from the university. Tickets can be purchased online. Individual tickets are \$150 and a table of 10: \$1250. Student seats can be sponsored as well for \$150 and sponsors receive a charitable receipt. Please contact Emily Kakouris for information on supporting a student seat.

Communications

- The fall edition of the UC magazine, with Principal Designate Markus Stock on the cover, hit mailboxes last week.
- The annual donor impact report is in development and will again feature thank you messages from students, in their own words (which happens to be the name of the publication), to all UC donors.

Fundraising

- Donor Financial reports are being sent to all endowed donors. Thank you to all UC program directors for their work on preparing program updates for our donors.
- The University is currently in a new campaign. A brand for the new campaign has yet to be determined and will not be announced until closer to 2021. Counting for the new campaign commenced January 1, 2019. A pre-campaign steering committee has been convened for the institution. In the New Year UC will begin the process on establishing funding priorities for the new campaign and recruiting members for the UC campaign cabinet.

Staff

- Naomi Handley has returned from maternity leave, as of September 9, 2019.
- Mila Thirasack recently left the office for a new appointment at the Faculty of Medicine.
- The position of Special Events Officers remains vacant at this point. Currently Maheesha Ranasinghe is expected to return from secondment in January 2020.
- Yvonne Palkowski has returned from personal leave, as of July 15, 2019.

Noted by Principal Ainslie: Pia Kleber is an AoI winner this year. There will be a student table purchased by the Principal for AoI. Faculty can charge the AoI Tickets towards their PERA Account.

VI. Update from the Dean of Students, Melinda Scott

- We welcome
 - Jordan Jordan MacQuarrie, Assistant to the Dean, Administrative
 - Jennifer Hinton, Assistant to the Dean, Residence Life,
 - Kimiya Karbasy, Residence Life Coordinator
- All of the residences are currently at full occupancy.
 - No expanded space was required.
- There will be changes across all three campuses in the coming admission cycle, from three separate websites to a single portal, which will be used across all three campuses.
- There has been a successful leadership conference and there will be a continuation of the international student socials, along with the Friday workshops, and Make Fridays Matter Program.

- Analysis of the data collected from the first year students survey has begun.
- **MOTION:** Be it resolved that the University College Council congratulates the UC Literary and Athletic Society on a successful Orientation, and thanks them for their hard work and dedication to welcoming new students to the College

Motion called by Melinda Scott

Motion seconded by Donald Ainslie

Motion Approved unanimously

VII. Update from the Vice-Principal, John Marshall

- UC One is underway in a new format as a series of half courses this year.
- Enrollments for the courses have been solid for fall and are predicted to increase for the winter term.
- Students in the UC programs have been organizing conferences such as UTISM (Cognitive Science) and the Women in the House initiative (which includes Canadian Studies participants).

- **For Approval: Curriculum Changes**

MOTION: To approve the following curriculum changes for Health Studies, Canadian Studies, and Cognitive Science which have been reviewed by the Curriculum Committee Members:

- Cognitive Science has moved two courses from required to elective status (PSY473 and PSY493), re-ordered prerequisites more rationally (placing Cog 260 in the correct relation to third year courses), and revised courses from other units that count towards a cognitive science degree to keep in sync with the changing offerings of those units.
- Canadian Studies has changed prerequisites to some of its third year courses to facilitate alternate paths of entry to the program while placing enrolment controls on those courses in order to ensure that program students have first access.
- Health studies has revised its list of countable courses from other units to keep in sync with new offerings

Motion called by John Marshall

Motion seconded by Pia Kleber

Motion Approved unanimously

6. Mental Health Task Force consultation by Bonnie Kirsh & Caroline Rabbat *Cheryl Gibbs attending as note taker*

Terms of Reference: <https://www.provost.utoronto.ca/committees/task-force-on-student-mental-health/student-mental-health-terms-of-reference>

QUESTIONS

1. Tell us about your experience/impressions with the University's mental health service delivery (accessibility, timing, quality, etc.).
2. What are your experiences/impressions with the coordination of student mental health supports across the three campuses (if applicable)? Do they meet your expectations?

3. The University would like to continue to strengthen and broaden partnerships with community health organizations. Do you have any suggestions for the Task Force in this area?
4. Please provide any comments on the physical spaces in which mental health services are provided for students on the three campuses - in central clinics and on location (at divisions/colleges) counsellors.
5. Please provide any additional feedback that you would like to share that you think would be relevant to the work of the Task Force



**Your feedback matters:
Student Mental Health
at U of T**

Outreach & Engagement session facilitated by:

- Bonnie Kirsh, Professor, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Medicine
- Caroline Rabbat, Director, Critical Incidents, Safety & Health Awareness, Faculty of Arts & Science

uoft.me/MentalHealth 

- Discussion between students, faculty and staff with guest speakers regarding Mental Health at the University.

7. **Other Business**

- David Klausner reminded everyone to VOTE this weekend.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion called by Donald Ainslie

Motion seconded by Nabil Fancy

Motion Approved unanimously