MEMORANDUM DCD #4, 2020-21

To: Chairs and Director, University of Toronto Scarborough
Cc: Chairs’ and Director’s Assistants, Departmental Assistants

From: Katherine R. Larson, Vice-Dean Teaching, Learning & Undergraduate Programs
Date: 5 October 2020

Re: Call for Working Circle Faculty and Student Nominations, University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Curriculum Review

A campus-wide curriculum review will be initiated in 2020-2021 to assess our current standing against the commitment to inclusion, Indigeneity, and anti-racism articulated in U of T Scarborough’s Strategic Plan, *Inspiring Inclusive Excellence*, and to inform a plan for action. The focus of this review will be on Indigenous ways of knowing, Black knowledges, racialized perspectives, as well as international and intercultural experiences. See [Working Circle Terms of Reference](#) for further details.

The first step in the review process will be the establishment of a Working Circle to collectively assess pathways to ensuring that U of T Scarborough’s commitment to inclusion, Indigeneity, and anti-racism are reflected across our programs and embedded in our curriculum and in our pedagogical approaches and supports. The Working Circle will meet monthly from October 2020 - June 2021, and a report summarizing its learnings and recommendations will be submitted to the Vice-Principal Academic & Dean in July 2021.

In accordance with the U of T Scarborough Campus Curriculum Review Terms of Reference, the Working Circle will include stakeholders from across the campus, with core representation and co-leadership from Indigenous and Black faculty and staff. I am writing to invite your nominations of faculty and student representatives to serve on the Working Circle. We are aiming to ensure a diversity of perspectives and experiences, particularly Indigenous ways of knowing, Black knowledges, and racialized perspectives; disciplinary breadth; and, for faculty, representation of teaching/research streams. Please nominate as many individuals in each category as you wish and include a brief description of your reasons for suggesting each of the persons you name.

Nominations should be submitted no later than Friday, October 9, by filling out [the enclosed form](#).

The Working Circle membership will be announced once it has been confirmed.