MEMORANDUM

To: Faculty, Staff, and Students, University of Toronto Scarborough
From: Professor William A. Gough, Vice-Principal Academic & Dean
Date: 14 December 2021
Re: Academic Administrative Appointment - Associate Dean Undergraduate Programs & Curriculum
Note: For broad distribution

It is with great pleasure that I write to inform you that the Agenda Committee of Academic Board has approved the appointment of Professor Suzanne Sicchia as Associate Dean Undergraduate Programs & Curriculum from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025.

Professor Sicchia is an Associate Professor, Teaching Stream, in the Department of Health & Society at University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC). She received her PhD in medical science from the Institute of Medical Sciences in 2013; and holds an MHSc in health promotion and MSc in social theory and health from the University of Toronto. Professor Sicchia joined the University of Toronto Scarborough as Lecturer in 2013, was appointed as Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream in 2016, and promoted to Associate Professor, Teaching Stream in 2020. She is the founder, and continues to lead, the UTSC International Health Film Series & Expo and is the founder of the UTSC Critical Pedagogies faculty and student reading groups.

She has served as Associate Director Undergraduate in the Department of Health & Society; and has served on several committees both at the undergraduate and graduate levels, including the departmental Curriculum Committee, the U of T Scarborough’s Vice-Principal Academic & Dean’s Special Advisory Committee on Student Petitions, and the Faculty Advisory Tri-Campus Centre for Community Partnerships.

Professor Sicchia’s research and teaching interests include institutional ethnography, critical pedagogies, social medicine and critical public health, global health governance, violence and health, and critical social theory and women’s health. She also has a strong interest in undergraduate curriculum development and innovation, as well as fostering student community and engagement.

Professor Sicchia is highly regarded by her colleagues and the staff in the Department of Health & Society, and by the other academic administrators on campus. I am very pleased that Professor Sicchia is willing to take on the role of Associate Dean Undergraduate Programs & Curriculum and am confident that she will further develop the undergraduate portfolio under Vice-Dean Teaching, Learning & Undergraduate Programs, Professor Katherine R Larson’s leadership. I look forward to working closely with her.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the advisory search committee for its service in this important process. The participation of members of the committee and the input of faculty, staff, and students is greatly appreciated.