

## Board of Governors

### Role:

Under the University of Ottawa Act (1965), the Board of Governors is responsible for the University's overall governance and management. In practical terms, the Board makes the financial decisions and implements the policies and procedures that the University needs to operate efficiently.

In addition, the Board appoints and replaces the President, the Vice-Presidents, the directors and the senior managers of the University; it also sets the duties, salaries and benefits of principal officers and of both the academic and administrative staffs. Finally, the Board can strike committees to help it exercise its powers.

The Chair of the Board of Governors presides at all Board meetings and is a member *ex officio* of all committees of the Board. The chair is entitled to vote at all Board meetings and, in the event of a tie vote, has a second or casting vote.

### TERM OF OFFICE

The student member is elected for two years, starting May 1, 2017.

### POWERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

*"Except in such matters as are assigned by this Act to the Senate and the boards of federated and affiliated colleges and universities, the government, conduct, management and control of the University and of its property, revenues, business and affairs are vested in the Board, and the Board has all the powers necessary or convenient to perform its duties and achieve the objects and purposes of the University, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, power,*

*j) to make by-laws, rules and regulations in respect of all such matters as may seem necessary or advisable for the government, management, conduct and control of the University".*

(Excerpt from Section 11 of the University of Ottawa Act, 1965)

To obtain more information on the Board of Governors, please visit the Board's web page <http://www.uottawa.ca/administration-and-governance/board-of-governors>.